

**Godfrey Dreher Chapter
South Carolina Society of the
Sons of the American Revolution
Lexington, South Carolina**



Meeting Minutes

Date: September 12, 2022
Time 6:00 pm Supper, 7:00 pm Meeting
Location: Lizards Thicket, 4610 Augusta Road, Lexington, SC

2022-2023 Officers

President:	Gary Blanpied	Present
Past President:	Bill Wilson	Present
VP Programs:	Don Simmons	Present
VP Events:	Nelson McLeod	Present
Secretary:	Jim Herritage	Present
Treasurer:	Fritz Gladfelter	Present
Registrar:	Woody Carothers	Present
Genealogist:	Mike Gillis	Present
Historian:	Buck Shuler	Present
Chaplain:	Henry Hugh Ham	Absent
Color Guard:	Gary Areheart	Absent
	David Wayne Areheart	Absent
Woman's Auxiliary:	Deborah Blanpied	Present

Minutes (*"Minutes should be a record of what is done and not contain discussion or a record of what is said."* SAR Handbook – Volume 2, August 1, 2022)

1. Call to order by incoming President Blanpied
2. Invocation
3. Pledges
4. Outgoing President Bill Wilson
 - a. Provided a recap of 2021-2022
 - b. Swore in 2022-2023 President Gary Blanpied
5. Don Simmons introduced the speaker, Dean Hunt who spoke about the Cherokee War of 1776 in South Carolina.

6. President Blanpied swore in the 2022-2023 Officers, listed on page 1
7. Registrar Woody Carothers profiled his report.
 - a. Two new applicants whose applications are currently being prepared. If proven and submitted, they will be potential new members.
 - i. LCDR David R. Stroman, USN (active-duty Europe)
 - ii. Steven Lee Williams. Steven also has a son interested in membership.
 - b. Carl Epps and Greg Williamson applications have been approved for membership. Greg's membership certificate has been received. He will be installed as a new member.
8. Treasure Fritz Gladfelter reported our checking account had \$1244.22.
9. Old Business – There was none.
10. New Business
 - a. The inductions of new members Norman Smith, Stuart Morgan, Carl Epps and Greg Williamson were deferred to the October meeting.
11. SAR Recessional
12. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by:

James M. Herritage
Secretary

**Godfrey Dreher Chapter
South Carolina Society of the
Sons of the American Revolution
Lexington, South Carolina**



Meeting Minutes

Date: October 10, 2022
Time 6:00 pm Supper, 7:00 pm Meeting
Location: Lizards Thicket, 4610 Augusta Road, Lexington, SC

2022-2023 Officers

President:	Gary Blanpied	Present
Past President:	Bill Wilson	Present
VP Programs:	Don Simmons	Present
VP Events:	Nelson McLeod	Present
Secretary:	Jim Herritage	Present
Treasurer:	Fritz Gladfelter	Present
Registrar:	Woody Carothers	Present
Genealogist:	Mike Gillis	Present
Historian:	Buck Shuler	Present
Chaplain:	Henry Hugh Ham	Present
Color Guard:	Gary Areheart	Absent
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Woman's Auxiliary:	Deborah Blanpied	Present

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1. Call to order by incoming President Blanpied
2. Invocation
3. Pledges
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. The American Creed (Note: This pledge was added at Buddy Witherspoon's suggestion and with BOD's approval after the September meeting.)
 - c. Pledge to the Flag of South Carolina.

4. Introduction of Dignitaries and Guests
 - a. Ted Walker, Senior VP of the SC Society SAR gave a brief talk and awarded our chapter a blue battle streamer.
 - b. Denise Epps, wife of inductee Carl Epps
 - c. Dean Hunt, last month's speaker
5. The meeting's speaker Mr. Michael Burgess was introduced by VP Don Simmons. Mr. Burgess delivered an interesting talk on the father of General Robert E. Lee, Governor Henry (Light-Horse Harry) Lee III, and his many accomplishments.
6. Minutes from the September meeting were approved.
7. Officers' Reports
 - a. Registrar Woody Carothers reported Michael Steven Gillis is our new chapter genealogist. We have obtained access to the chapter desktop for him and are currently having one-on-one training for the position.
 - b. Treasure Fritz Gladfelter reported our checking account had \$1194.13
 - c. Honors/Awards Chair Buddy Witherspoon provided a reminder of the upcoming *Blessing and Grave Marking* at Trinity Cathedral.
 - d. President Blanpied reported dues billing would go out the following week.
 - e. Immediate Past President Bill Wilson reported he was working on the website for the State Society.
8. Old Business – There was none.
9. New Business
 - a. Registrar Woody Carothers inducted the following into our chapter:
 - (i) Norman Murray Smith, III, is from Blackville, SC, and is retired from the Savannah River Plant. His patriot ancestor is Michael Watson, Captain, South Carolina.
 - (ii) William Stuart Morgan lives in Lexington County. Stuart's patriot ancestor is James Ballenger of Virginia.
 - (iii) Carl Louis Epps lives in West Columbia. His patriot ancestor is John Frierson who performed patriot service in South Carolina.

(iv) Gregory Scott Williamson lives in Lexington. His patriot ancestor is Frederick Lutz who served as a Sergeant in the Pennsylvania Militia.

- b. President Blanpied and Honors/Awards Chair Buddy Witherspoon awarded Compatriot Nelson McLeod the *Roger Sherman Medal*.
- c. Ladies Auxiliary Chair Deborah Blanpied announced our chapter's compatriots have again been invited to the Grandy Chapter's Christmas meeting.

10. SAR Recessional

11. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by:

James M. Herritage

Secretary

**Godfrey Dreher Chapter
South Carolina Society of the
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Lexington, South Carolina**



Meeting Minutes

Date: November 14, 2022
Time 6:00 pm Supper, 7:00 pm Meeting
Location: Lizards Thicket, 4610 Augusta Road, Lexington, SC

2022-2023 Officers

President:	Gary Blanpied	Present
Past President:	Bill Wilson	Present
VP Programs:	Don Simmons	Present
VP Events:	Nelson McLeod	Present
Secretary:	Jim Herritage	Present
Treasurer:	Fritz Gladfelter	Present
Registrar:	Woody Carothers	Present
Genealogist:	Mike Gillis	Present
Historian:	Buck Shuler	Absent
Chaplain:	Henry Hugh Ham	Absent
Color Guard:	Gary Areheart	Present
	David Wayne Areheart	Present
Woman's Auxiliary:	Deborah Blanpied	Absent

1. Call to order by President Blanpied
2. Invocation by Nelson McLeod
3. Pledges
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. The American Creed
 - c. Pledge to the Flag of South Carolina
4. Introduction of dignitaries and guests by Registrar Woody Carothers
 - a. Prospective Member Steven Williams and his wife Roxanne

5. President Blanpied awarded Compatriot David Rick Grable the ***Military Service Award***. Our members, who are Veterans, were asked to stand and be recognized.
6. The meeting's speaker Mr. Joe Long was introduced by VP Don Simmons. Mr. Long delivered an interesting talk on Swords and Swordsmanship during the Revolutionary War.
 - a. President Blanpied presented Mr. Long with a certificate of appreciation for his services as a historian and for providing our program.
 - b. Mr. Long brought a package of Revolutionary War Timeline posters for teachers which were free to Members to take and distribute.
7. Officers' Reports
 - a. Treasure Fritz Gladfelter reported our checking account had \$1,973.27 and stressed the importance in promptly paying the dues invoices that have been distributed.
 - b. President Blanpied indicated we are working on a **Member Manual** which will include documenting our chapter's history.
 - c. VP Don Simmons indicated the speaker for January will be Mr. Rick Wise speaking on the Battle of Hobkirk's Hill near Camden. Mr. Wise is Education and Volunteers Coordinator at Historic Camden.
 - d. Past President Bill Wilson provided an update of the progress on the state website.
 - e. Registrar Woody Carothers reported that we have three pending applications.
8. Old Business – There was none.
9. New Business
10. SAR Recessional & Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by:

James M. Herritage, Secretary

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**Godfrey Dreher Chapter
South Carolina Society of the
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Lexington, South Carolina**



Meeting Minutes

Date: January 9, 2023
Time 6:00 pm Supper, 7:00 pm Meeting
Location: Lizards Thicket Restaurant
4610 Augusta Road, Lexington, SC

2022-2023 Chapter Leadership

President:	Gary Blanpied	Board & Executive Committee
VP – Programs:	Don Simmons	Board & Executive Committee
VP – Events:	Nelson McLeod	Board & Executive Committee
Registrar:	Woody Carothers	Board & Executive Committee
Secretary:	Jim Herritage	Board & Executive Committee
Treasurer:	Fritz Gladfelter	Board & Executive Committee
Chaplain:	Henry Hugh Ham	Board
Color Guard:	Gary Areheart	Board
Genealogist:	Michael Gillis	Board
Historian:	Buck Shuler	Board
Ladies Auxiliary	Deborah Blanpied	Committee Chair

* Absent from meeting

1. Call to order by President Blanpied
2. Invocation by Chaplain Hugh HAM
3. Pledges
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. The American Creed
 - c. Pledge to the Flag of South Carolina
 - d. SAR Pledge

4. Introduction of dignitaries and guests by Registrar Woody Carothers
 - a. Dean Hunt
 - b. Debra Carlen
 - c. Riven Cooley
 - d. Rick Wise
 - e. Tim Elmore
5. The meeting's speaker Mr. Rick Wise was introduced by VP Don Simmons. Mr. Wise spoke at length on the Battle of Camden.
 - a. President Blanpied presented Mr. Wise with a certificate of appreciation for "exceptional service as a Revolutionary War topic lecturer."
6. Officers' Reports
 - a. Treasure Fritz Gladfelter reported our checking account had \$1,990.73.
 - b. Registrar Woody Carothers reported in writing the following:
 - i. He and Genealogist Mike Gillis welcomed two new applicants to their first meeting. Bruce Covey and Harold Crawford have submitted their applications for membership in the SAR. Both live in the Irmo-Chapin area and are active in researching their family genealogy. The two new applications will be in addition to the four the chapter currently has in process at national. Another applicant is starting the application process.
 - ii. Compatriot Carothers also commented on our participation in the University of Scouting which will be conducted by the Indian Waters Council of Scouting BSA. The events will be conducted at River Bluff High School on February 28. Scouts will have the opportunity to qualify for merit badges in many of those areas that will be offered. The Godfrey Dreher Chapter will offer instruction on the American Heritage Merit Badge.
 - c. VP Don Simmons announced that he had recovered the chapter's archives together with the original charter.
7. Old Business – President Blanpied motioned the chapter approve the minutes from the October and November meeting; Nelson McLeod seconded. The motion carried.

8. New Business

9. SAR Recessional & Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by:

James M. Herritage, Secretary



**Godfrey Dreher Chapter
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Date: February 13, 2023
Time 6:00 pm Supper, 7:00 pm Meeting
Location: Lizards Thicket
4610 Augusta Road, Lexington, SC

1. Call to order by President Blanpied
2. Invocation by Chaplain Hugh Ham
3. Pledges
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. The American Creed
 - c. Pledge to the Flag of South Carolina
 - d. SAR Pledge
4. Introduction of dignitaries and guests by Registrar Woody Carothers. Please see list to the lower right.
5. VP Don Simmons introduced the meeting's speaker, Mr. Tim Lord of the South Carolina Battlefield Preservation Trust who spoke about the archeology that led to the finding and identification of the 14 remains of the combatants at Camden.
 - a. President Blanpied presented Mr. Load with a certificate of appreciation for "exceptional service as a Revolutionary War topic lecturer."
6. President Blanpied announced that the minutes from the January meeting were approved by the chapter members' voting online.

02/13/2023 Attendees		
#	Compatriot	Initials
1	DW Areheart	DAW
2	GA Areheart	GA
3	GS Blanpied	GBB
4	WW Carothers	WC
5	RT Creekmore	
6	CL Epps Jr.	CEJ
7	JE Garrison	
8	JB Gilliam	
9	MS Gillis	MG
10	CF Gladfelter	CGF
11	DR Grable	
12	FE Gunter	
13	HH Ham Jr.	HH
14	HE Harmon	
15	JM Heritage	JMH
16	CS Hodges	
17	DG Klaver	
18	HR Maxwell	HRM
19	JB McGill	
20	JN McLeod III	JNM III
21	JN McLeod IV	
22	WS Morgan	
23	FK Morrison Sr	
24	FK Morrison Jr.	
25	WW Richardson Jr.	
26	EG Shuler III	
27	DT Simmons	DTS
28	NM Smith III	NMS
29	FE Sojourner	FES
30	DR Stroman Jr.	
31	GS Williamson	GS
32	WA Wilson	WBW
33	WP Witherspoon Jr.	WPW

#	Printed Names of Guests & WOSARS
1	Amanda Mason-McLeod
2	Terry Gladfelter SAR
3	Miriam Lovett DAR
4	Nancy Heritage DAR
5	Donna DeLoach
6	Delia de Blanpied DAR
7	Pauline Hodges
8	Boyle Houshargh
9	Natalie Crawford
10	Ann Brown
11	Tim Lord
12	Justin Coleman
13	WALTER C. SMITH III (W.C.)
14	Glenda Gilstrap
15	

7. Officers' Reports

a. Treasure Fritz Gladfelter reported:

December 31, 2022.....\$2,155.53

Dues to National & State.....-165.00

Speaker Fee & Dinner..... -49.56

Chapter Dues Refunded..... -25.00 Areheart

Charter Framed by Treat..... -85.00

January 31, 2023.....\$1830.97

b. Registrar Woody Carothers reported:

Last	First	M.	e-mail address	to SCSSAR
			New Members/Applicants	
Grable	David	<u>Rich</u>		15-Nov-20
Gillis	<u>Michael</u>	Steven		9-Nov-20
			New Members/Applicants	
Smith III	<u>Norman</u>	Murray		20-Nov-21
Morgan	William	<u>Stuart</u>		10-Dec-21
			New Members/Applicants	
Epps, Jr.	<u>Carl</u>	Louis		18-Mar-22
Williamson	<u>Greg</u>	Scott		15-Mar-22
Stroman	<u>David</u>	R		10-Sep-22
Williams	<u>Steven</u>	Lee		13-Nov-22
Williams	Steven	Andrew		13-Nov-22
Williams	Chris	Lee		13-Nov-22
				New Members/Applicants
Covey	<u>Bruce</u>	Allen		10-Jan-23
Crawford	James	<u>Harold</u>		10-Jan-23
Lord	<u>Timothy</u>	Paul		25-Jan-23
Smith	Walter	C <u>WC</u>		30-Jan-23
Coleman	Justin			
Williams III	James	L. <u>Jim</u>		

c. Woody Carothers also submitted the following Scouting Committee activity:

Compatriots William A. Wilson and Warren W. Carothers of the Godfrey Dreher Chapter provided instruction for the American Heritage Merit Badge at the Merit Badge University conducted by the Indian Waters Council, Scouting BSA. The event was an all-day event conducted at River Bluff High School in West Columbia, SC, Saturday February 25th. Training was provided for 236 Scouts and 69 adult leaders. Certified Specialist instructors offered scouts training in 21 merit badge areas.

The Godfrey Dreher Chapter presented Eagle Scout Hope Catherine Brock with a Certificate of Appreciation for her assistance with the American Heritage Merit Badge.

8. New Business

- a. Doug Doster with the SCSSAR discussed the plans for the upcoming ceremonies and interment of 13 Patriots and 1 British soldier who died at the Battle of Camden.
- b. Vice President Don Simmons and charter member Treasure Fritz Gladfelter presented President Blanpied with the newly framed chapter charter that had been recovered after an exhaustive search.

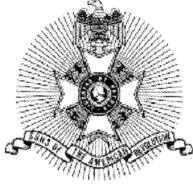


- c. Safekeeping of the chapter's charter shall be the president's responsibly throughout his tenure.

9. SAR Recessional & Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by:

James M. Herritage, Secretary



**Godfrey Dreher Chapter
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Date: Monday, March 13, 2023
Time 6:00 pm Supper, 7:00 pm Meeting
Location: Lizard's Thicket Restaurant
4610 Augusta Road, Lexington, SC

1. **President Blanpied** called the meeting to order.
2. **Chaplain Hugh Ham** prayed the invocation.
3. Pledges
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. The American Creed
 - c. Pledge to the Flag of South Carolina
 - d. SAR Pledge
4. **Registrar Woody Carothers** welcomed dignitaries and guests. (Please see guest sign-in list to right.)
5. **Programs Vice President Don Simmons** introduced the meeting's speaker, Mr. Tom Oblak with the SC Battleground Preservation Trust who spoke on the extensive planning and logistics of the reinterment ceremonies at Camden in April.
6. **President Blanpied**
 - a. thanked our speaker and presented him with a certificate of appreciation for "exceptional service as a Revolutionary War topic lecturer."
 - b. announced a priority going forward would be the formation of an active Education Committee. (The Education Committee promotes students' and teachers' participation in SAR outreach programs.)

03/13/2023 Compatriot Attendees		
#	Compatriot	Initials
1	DW Areheart	✓
2	GA Areheart	✓
3	GS Blanpied	✓
4	WW Carothers	✓
5	RT Creekmore	✓
6	CL Epps Jr.	✓
7	JE Garrison	
8	JB Gilliam	
9	MS Gillis	✓
10	CF Gladfelter	✓
11	DR Grable	
12	FE Gunter	
13	HH Ham Jr.	✓
14	HE Harmon	
15	JM Heritage	✓
16	CS Hodges	
17	DG Klaver	
18	HR Maxwell	
19	JB McGill	
20	JN McLeod III	✓
21	JN McLeod IV	
22	WS Morgan	
23	FK Morrison Sr	✓
24	FK Morrison Jr.	
25	WW Richardson Jr.	
26	EG Shuler III	EGS
27	DT Simmons	✓
28	NM Smith III	✓
29	FE Sojourner	
30	DR Stroman Jr.	
31	GS Williamson	
32	WA Wilson	✓
33	WP Witherspoon Jr.	WWS

#	Guests
1	W.C. Smith
2	Harold Crawford & Barbara
3	Terry Gladfelter
4	Deborah Blanpied
5	Tom Elmore
6	Debra Carter
7	Don Hunt
8	Donna Love
9	Miriam Lovett
10	Paul Kennedy
11	Mark Kennedy
12	Nancy Heritage
13	

7. Officers' and Committee Reports

a. **Treasure Fritz Gladfelter** prefilled his report as follows:

Treasurer's Report Godfrey Dreher Chapter SCSSAR

January 31, 2023.....	\$1830.97
Dues from State.....+	75.00
Speaker Fee & Dinner.....--	43.05
February 28, 2023.....	\$1862.92

b. **Events Vice President Nelson McLeod** discussed:

- i. the addition of the *Calendar of Upcoming Events* to the meeting program going forward.
- ii. Attending the February 27 *General Francis Marion's Memorial Service* in Pineville, SC.

c. **Registrar Woody Carothers** reported that we have had one applicant, Lt. Cdr. David R. Stroman USN, approved for membership this quarter. We had three additional applications in process from last quarter and have sent six additional applications to the national office this quarter. At present we are working on one prospect.

d. **Immediate Past President Bill Wilson** reported that he and Woody Carothers participated in the Merit Badge University event held February 25th at River Bluff High School. They conducted instruction in the American Heritage Merit Badge. The event was reported in the Palmetto Patriot. A certificate of Appreciation was presented to Eagle Scout Hope Catherine Brock.

e. **President Blanpied** announced that the minutes from the February meeting were approved by the chapter members' voting online.

8. Old Business - None

9. New Business - None

10. SAR Recessional & Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by:

James M. Herritage, Secretary



**Godfrey Dreher Chapter
South Carolina Society of the
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Lexington, South Carolina**

Meeting Date: April 10, 2023
Time: 6:00 pm Supper, 7:00 pm Meeting
Location: Lizard's Thicket
4610 Augusta Road
Lexington, SC

1. Call to order by **President Blanpied**
2. Invocation by **Chaplain Hugh Ham**
3. Pledges
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Pledge to the Flag of South Carolina
 - c. SAR Pledge
 - d. The American Creed
4. **President Blanpied:**
 - a. Reported that the chapter had conducted a very well attended *Grave Marking Service* for Compatriot Robert Edward Escue on April 8, 2023. He thanked Compatriot Nelson McLeod for a job well done in producing and directing the memorial event.
 - b. Introduced dignitaries and guests, including Compatriot Ted Walker, upcoming president of SCSSAR.
 - i. Compatriot Walker implored all Compatriots present to attend the upcoming state annual meeting.

Compatriots Present		
1	DW Areheart	DA
2	GA Areheart	GA
3	GS Blanpied	GB
4	WW Carothers	WWE
5	RT Creekmore	
6	CL Epps Jr.	CE
7	JE Garrison	
8	JB Gilliam	
9	MS Gillis	MS
10	CF Gladfelter	CF
11	DR Grable	
12	FE Gunter	FG
13	HH Ham Jr.	HH
14	HE Harmon	
15	JM Heritage	JM
16	CS Hodges	CH
17	DG Klaver	
18	HR Maxwell	
19	JB McGill	
20	JN McLeod III	JN
21	JN McLeod IV	
22	WS Morgan	
23	FK Morrison Sr	
24	FK Morrison Jr.	
25	WW Richardson Jr.	
26	EG Shuler III	
27	DT Simmons	DS
28	NM Smith III	
29	FE Sojourner	
30	DR Stroman Jr.	
31	GS Williamson	
32	WA Wilson	WA
33	WP Witherspoon Jr.	WW

- c. Inducted the following into our chapter:
 - i. Steven Lee Williams, who was present.
 - ii. Christopher Lee Williams, in absentia
 - iii. Steven Andrew Williams, in absentia
 - d. Announced that the minutes from the previous meeting were not approved due to a technical glitch. The minutes were then voted upon and approved.
5. **VP for Programs Don Simmons** introduced the meeting's speaker, local author Tom Elmore who spoke on Francis Marion as portrayed in books, TV, and movies.
6. **President Blanpied** presented our speaker with a certificate of appreciation for "exceptional service as a Revolutionary War topic lecturer."
7. Officers' and Committee Reports:
- a. **Treasure Fritz Gladfelter** reported as follows:

28 Feb 2023.....	\$1862.00 Balance
Dues from State.....	50.00 Coleman & Hamilton Apps
Speaker Fee & Dinner.....	57.43
31 Mar 2023.....	\$1855.49 Balance
Carl F. Gladfelter	
 - b. **Registrar Woody Carothers** reported:
 - i. That the following have been approved for membership:
 - 1. Gary Allen Patterson
 - 2. Timothy Paul Lord
 - 3. Bruce Allen Covey
 - ii. As past president of the Godfrey Dreher chapter and an active scouter with the Indian Waters Council, Scouting, BSA, he would present Eagle Scout Tristan Spainhour with recognition from the Sons of the American Revolution at his Court-of-Honor, Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church, April 16, 2023, at 3:30 pm.

- iii. There is a need to reorder supplies soon which will be several hundred dollars - ROTC medals and medals for awards, archivable paper, certificates and folders, grave markers, and a few other things.

c. **Vice President for Programs, Don Simmons** reported that **Aliene Humphries** will be the speaker at the May meeting. Sponsored by South Carolina Humanities, she will be discussing her latest work, *The Importance of South Carolina in the American Revolution* published in 2022.

d. **Vice President for Events, Nelson McLeod** commented:

- i. On the *Grave Marking Service* conducted for Compatriot Robert Edward Escue on April 8, at Convent Baptist Church, in Leesville, SC by our chapter. He thanks all Compatriots who participated to make it a fitting tribute.

- ii. A calendar of upcoming events is included in the program.

8. Old Business - None

9. New Business

- a. **President Blanpied** announced that Woody Carothers and Buddy Witherspoon were leading a review of the chapter's bylaws and would make recommendations at the May meeting.

10. Additional information

- a. Buddy Witherspoon will be representing the Godfrey Dreher Chapter at the USC Awards Day with the presentation of SAR recognitions for cadets and midshipmen.

11. SAR Recessional & Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by:

James M. Herritage, Secretary

April 27, 2023, 11:15pm



Meeting Minutes for: May 8, 2023
 Time: 6:00 pm Supper, 7:00 pm Meeting
 Location: Lizard's Thicket Restaurant
 4610 Augusta Road
 Lexington, SC

1. Call to order by **President Blanpied**
 - a. Immediately reminded members to submit their orders for the SCSSAR Insignia Medal. Cost is \$30.00.
2. Invocation by **VP Nelson McLeod**
3. Pledges
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Pledge to the Flag of South Carolina
 - c. SAR Pledge
 - d. The American Creed
4. **President Blanpied** introduced dignitaries and guests.
5. **President Blanpied** inducted the following Compatriots into our chapter.
 - Gary Allen Patterson
 - Timothy Paul Lord
 - Bruce Allen Covey
6. **VP Don Simmons** introduced the meeting's speaker, **Aliene Humphries** who discussed her latest work, *The Importance of South Carolina in the American Revolution* published in 2022.
7. **President Blanpied** presented our speaker with a certificate of appreciation for "exceptional service as a Revolutionary War topic lecturer."

1	DW Areheart	DA
2	GA Areheart	GA
3	GS Blanpied	GB
4	WW Carothers	WC
5	RT Creekmore	
6	CL Epps Jr.	CE
7	JE Garrison	
8	JB Gilliam	
9	MS Gillis	ME
10	CF Gladfelter	CG
11	DR Grable	
12	FE Gunter	
13	HH Ham Jr.	
14	HE Harmon	
15	JM Heritage	JMH
16	CS Hodges	
17	DG Klaver	
18	HR Maxwell	
19	JB McGill	
20	JN McLeod III	JNM
21	JN McLeod IV	
22	WS Morgan	
23	FK Morrison Sr	FKM
24	FK Morrison Jr.	
25	WW Richardson Jr.	
26	EG Shuler III	
27	DT Simmons	DS
28	NM Smith III	
29	FE Sojourner	
30	DR Stroman Jr.	
31	CL Williams	
32	SA Williams	
33	SL Williams	
34	GS Williamson	
35	WA Wilson	
36	WP Witherspoon Jr.	

8. Officers' and Committee Reports

a. **Treasure Fritz Gladfelter** reported as follows:

31 March 2023\$ 1855.49
Wreath..... - 86.50
Speaker Fee/ Dinner.....- 68.85
Donation SC Battlefield Trust.....-- 500.00 includes \$250 anonymous donation
30 April 2023.....\$ 1450.14

b. **VP Nelson McLeod** reported that his events calendar will resume with the September 2023 chapter meeting.

c. **VP Don Simmons** reported that our speaker for September will be historian, genealogist, and collector W.C. Smith III; his topic will be on ***Photographs of Revolutionary War Soldiers***.

9. AT THIS POINT IN THE PROCEEDINGS, PRESIDENT BLANPIED CALLED FOR A FIVE-MINUTE BREAK BEFORE THE BUSINESS PORTION OF THE MEETING.

10. Old Business

a. **Registrar Woody Carothers** indicated that the chapter's By-laws Review / Revision Committee would carry over the summer break and into the fall.

b. **President Blanpied** announced the previous meeting's minutes were approved.

11. New Business

a. It was decided (without motion and second) that the chapter would provide a SCSSAR Insignia Medal for Compatriot David Emanuel Areheart.

b. Nomination of chapter officers for the year 2023-2024 were presented by **Registrar Woody Carothers**, as were appointed committee chairs.

Elected Officers

President	Gary Blanpied
VP – Events & Development	Nelson McLeod
VP – Programs	Don Simmons
Secretary	James Herritage
Treasurer	Fritz Gladfelter
Registrar	Mike Gillis
Genealogist	Bruce Covey
Historian	Buck Shuler
Chaplain	Hugh Ham
Color Guard	Gary Areheart
Color Guard	Wayne Areheart

Appointed Committee Chairs are as follow:

Committee Chairs appointed by President Blanpied

Education Committee	Carl Epps
Ladies Auxiliary	Deborah Blanpied
Militia Commander	Bill Wilson
ROTC Awards	Buddy Witherspoon
Scouting Awards	Woody Carothers
Webmaster	Bill Wilson
Co-Registrar	Woody Carothers

VP Don Simmons moved that the nominations and appointments be accepted by acclimation. Carl Epps seconded. The motion carried.

- c. **President Gary Blanpied** announced he would serve as the SCSSAR Education Committee Chair for next year.
- d. **President Blanpied** indicated **Secretary James Herritage** will serve as a ex-officio member of the Bylaws Review / Revision Committee.

12. SAR Recessional & Adjournment

ADDENDUM TO THE MINUTES: **President Blanpied** has indicated the following have been approved for membership in our chapter:

- a. Justin Coleman
- b. Hugh Bynum Hamilton

Respectfully submitted by:

James M. Herritage, Secretary

May 23, 2023

9:55pm