



**Enemund Meullion Chapter  
Louisiana Society  
18 March 2023  
Meeting Minutes**

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The regular bimonthly meeting of the Enemund Meullion Chapter of the Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution was held at Forts Randolph & Buhlow State Historic Site in Pineville, LA.

President Mike Lee called the meeting to order with ten members and nine guests in attendance. Lee welcomed everyone and introduced guests.

Chaplain Clyde Neck opened the meeting with the Invocation. Darrell Poole led the Pledge of Allegiance and then Al Pitts led the Pledge to the SAR.

Ray Berthelot, Historic Sites District Manager at State of Louisiana Office of State Parks, brought greetings from Lt. Governor Billy Nungesser and discussed the various State Historical Sites, such as Forts Randolph & Buhlow State Historic Site. Of the twenty-two sites, seventeen are operational. These sites cover every time period in the history of Louisiana. Watson Break and Poverty Point are examples of Native American mound complexes. Poverty Point, dating about 3,500 years old, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site built by hunter-gatherer Native Americans. Through partnerships, some sites have been made accessible to the public. A Q&A followed the talk. For Revolutionary War related sites, the outline of a corner of the Fort of Baton Rouge is on the grounds of the Capital Park Welcome Center. Galveztown on Bayou Manchac was one of the settlements of Canary Islanders established by Governor Bernardo de Galvez as a buffer between Spanish Louisiana and British West Florida, or the Florida Parishes. The land is still privately owned, but it has been host to archaeological excavations. Audubon State Historic Site holds living history activities, celebrating the 1779 Battle of Baton Rouge. The future of Fort DeRussy in Marksville was also discussed. President Lee presented Berthelot with a Certificate of Appreciation and a LASSAR mug for his talk.

The meeting adjourned for lunch.

President Lee read the biography of Captain Greg Derbonne of the Alexandria Fire Department. He also read the story that qualified Derbonne for the Life-Saving Award. James Morock, Sr., M.D. ("Dr. Morock"), gave the backstory about finding recipients for public service medals. President Lee awarded both the Fire Safety and the Life-Saving Medals to Derbonne.

Benjamin Vets presented his Americanism Poster Contest submission to the chapter. His topic was Andrew Jackson, who as a teenager refused to polish a British officer's boots after being captured and was slashed in the face as a result. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to declare Vets the chapter winner and award him \$50.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the previous meeting's minutes.

In Treasurer Carlos Mayeux, Jr.'s absence, Secretary/Registrar Brent Morock reported that the current chapter account balance is \$7,561.94, about \$4,700 is earmarked for the April 15th LASSAR Annual Meeting and Banquet. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the report.

Secretary/Registrar Brent Morock stated that he was working on a few applications. Five applications are in progress at National. The chapter has about 70 members.

Dr. Morock recapped the February 7th committee meeting that took place at Spirits. The committee reviewed and updated the awards list. One Law Enforcement Medal will be presented at the next meeting to Sgt. Bobby Branton of the Alexandria Police Department. The committee approved the Bronze Roger Sherman Medal for Secretary/Registrar Brent Morock.

President Lee presented Secretary/Registrar Brent Morock with the Bronze Roger Sherman Medal.

Clyde Neck was award a Certificate of Appreciation for his preservation of the Hypolite Bordelon House and his work with La Commission Des Avoyelles.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to purchase 10 LASSAR mugs for \$50 to give to future speakers.

Cheryl Morock discussed the April LASSAR Annual Raffle of a quilt made by Rhonda Godwin. Tickets can be purchased for a chance to win the item. Proceeds from the raffle go to LASSAR Youth Awards programs. The hat was passed for collection of the chapter's contribution to the auction at the LASSAR State Meeting in April.

In announcements, President Lee stated that the next chapter meeting will be on May 27th at 11:30 AM at the Forts Randolph & Buhlow State Historic Site in Pineville, LA. The July meeting may be in Marksville at the Broken Wheel Brewery. April 14-15 is the Annual Meeting & Banquet hosted by the Enemund Meullion Chapter and registration forms are available at the front of the room.

With no further business, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn. Neck offered a closing prayer and then Bo Vets led the SAR Recessional.

*Brent Morock*

Secretary