



**Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Indiana**  
**Minutes May 17, 2014 Meeting**  
**Woodstock Country Club, Indianapolis, IN**

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by President Mark Kreps. 1812 Members present: Mark R. Kreps, Allen W. Moore, Robert D. Rati, J. Alan Teller, William C. Wilder, Robert L. Wilder, James A. Shoptaw, Graham D. Morey, Dennis L. Babbitt, Charles F. Bragg, Donald E. Gradeless, Kevin L. Waldroup, and Peter D. Smith. Neal C. Pitts and Hugh A. Shanahan were excused. Wives were Janet Kreps, Lee Ann Teller, Karen Bragg, and Margaret Rati and Sarah Waldroup.

Robert L. Wilder led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Moore. Secretary Teller reported a quorum was present. James A. Shoptaw was introduced.

Secretary Teller reported the minutes had been passed out and then read them. The minutes of February 1, 2014 were approved on motion made by Gradeless; second by Waldroup;.

Treasurer Morey read the Financial Report. Teller moved the Financial Report be filed for audit; seconded by Gradeless; motion passed.

Rati reported the \$160.00 collected at the last Spring Meeting was spent for the framing of the charter. The Registrar, Gradeless reported the application proofs of members would be mailed back to the respective members whenever time allows. Teller reported on the 1812 Graves Registration Project; 1603 names are now in the database. The data is on the web at: [http://lineage.gradeless.com/1812\\_burials.htm](http://lineage.gradeless.com/1812_burials.htm).

Old Business: The new recruiting brochure was discussed. Gradeless said he had a logo and would provide same to Kreps for the brochure.

New Business: Smith, Nominating Chairman, presented the Nominations for a 3 year term: President: Kevin L. Waldroup; 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Peter D. Smith; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: James A. Shoptaw; 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President: (Vacant); Treasurer: Mark R. Kreps; Secretary: J. Alan Teller; Chaplain: Graham D. Morey; Registrar: Donald E. Gradeless; Historian: Robert D. Rati; Chancellor: (Vacant); Surgeon: Neal C. Pitts, M. D.; Representative to the General Society: Kevin L. Waldroup; Board of Directors: Charles F. Bragg, John H. McGath, Don L. Melching, Richard J. Smurdon, Jr., Robert L. Wilder, William C. Wilder. President Kreps asked for nominations from the floor three times. No nominations from the floor were presented. Rati moved the President have the secretary cast one vote for the slate as presented; Gradeless seconded; passed.

President Kreps interrupted the meeting to ceremoniously present the gavel to incoming President Waldroup. President Kreps then proceeded to close the meeting.

Rati made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Waldroup; passed. Chaplain Moore gave the benediction. President Kreps adjourned the meeting at 9:55 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Alan Teller, Secretary