



*Texas SAR Arlington Chapter
Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2025*

The July 12, 2025 meeting was held at Skillet & Grill, 1801 W Division Street, Arlington, Texas. Members and guests gathered at 08:30 am for fellowship and breakfast.

- I. President Joe Kohn welcomed attendees and opened the meeting for Chapter business at approximately 9:30 am.
- II. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the invocation.
- III. Brent Houser led the pledges to the U.S. Flag, the Texas Flag, and the Sons of the American Revolution Flag.
- IV. President Kohn recognized Past Chapter Presidents and greeted Chapter Members and our guests.
Compatriot Dan Hamilton was presented with his Distinguished Service Award.
City of Arlington Mayor presented a Proclamation on June 10 proclaiming June 14, 2025 as the United States Army 250th Birthday Celebration Day. Three copies of the Proclamation were given to the Chapter and were in turn given to three of the present military veterans; Ron Carter, Bob Wehr, and David Friels.
- V. Compatriot David Hubler gave a humorous Comment of the Day.
- VI. Officer and Committee Reports
 - A. Treasurer Richard Coffey reported the Chapter bank account bottom line balance decreased by approximately \$139.00 for reimbursement to Compatriot John Anderson for his purchase of certificates and medals for the Chapter's use.
 - B. In the absence of Secretary Bill Goodman, President Kohn reminded the Chapter that the minutes from the June meeting have been posted on the Chapter website and opened the floor for comments. There being no comments, a motion was made by Dan Hamilton and seconded by David Hubler that the minutes be accepted as posted. The motion was approved by the Chapter.
 - C. Compatriot John Anderson reported the following:
Texas SAR State Announcements
 - The Texas SAR History Vol III committee encourages your Compatriot Biographies. Last change for Compatriot Bios. See the WANTED handouts & Compatriot Questionnaires on the Information Table.
 - Texas SAR History Volume 1 books are available on the Information Table. PDF versions of Volume 1 & 2 are also available.
 - July 12-18, 2025 - NSSAR Conference in Uncasville, CT.
 - Future Scheduled Texas SAR Conferences
 - Aug. 2, 2025, 9 am - Summer **zoom** conference.
 - Oct. 17-19, 2025 - Fall conference, Sugarland, TX (Houston). No details yet.
 - April 16-19, 2026 - Spring convention, Austin, TX. A special event will be the unveiling of the SAR Monument that Texas SAR has built for the Texas State Cemetery in Austin. All members are welcomed and encouraged to attend the unveiling and the convention as voting delegates.

Arlington Chapter Membership Chair

- Texas SAR Arlington Chapter Roster booklets are available for \$3 each, pay the Treasurer.
- Current 82 members: 51 Adults, 14 reinstatements, 2 duals out of state, 14 Junior members, 1 Transfer; as of June 10, 2025; which is 3 less than last year.

DAR/C.A.R. Liaisons

- July 4th Parade was a great success. Thanks to LCCC chapter for organizing, thanks to our guys for attending, thanks to Maj. K.M. VanZandt chapter for loaning us their trailer. I seek a \$50 stipend check payable to Maj. K.M. VanZandt Chapter SAR.
- In conjunction with LCCC, Dan will announce the Liberty plans.
- Will Deakyne is our Liaison to the Three Forks of Trinity C.A.R. chapter.

D. Chaplain Bob Wehr - no new information to report.

E. Registrar Joe Kohn reported the following:

Supplemental Applications are now being processed by National and two new applications are in process.

F. Color Guard: Compatriot Hamilton reported the following activities:

25 June posted Colors for a Naturalization Ceremony at United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Dallas Field Office

3 July posted Colors for a Naturalization Ceremony at United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Irving Field Office

3 July presented and posted Colors for the new ACTIV Arlington Senior Center Stars and Scoops Celebration.

4 July participated with the Arlington DAR/SAR in City of Arlington's July 4th annual parade. Both Maj. K.M. VanZandt and Arlington SAR Chapters along with the Arlington DAR were represented.

26 July there will be a Celebration of Life for Compatriot Bill Watts at Rest Haven Funeral Home and Memorial Park, 2500 State Hwy. 66 East, Rockwall, TX 75087

Plans are progressing to plant a Liberty Tree at Veteran's Park, Arlington.

G. Speakers Bureau: Compatriot Bill Covington was traveling

H. ROTC/JROTC: Chairman David Friels - no new information to report.

I. Newsletter Chairman Chuck Andrews – no new information to report.

VII. Old Business

A. Thanks to David Hubler for hosting the July 4th social. He is moving and will be missed.

VIII. New Business

A. State Fair representation at the SAR information desk.

B. There will be an SAR Application Fee increase effective September 1, 2024.

X. Compatriot Dan Hamilton moved for adjournment, and the motion was seconded and passed.

XI. Chaplain Bob Wehr delivered the Closing Benediction.

XII. Compatriot Brent Houser led the Chapter members in the closing admonition.

The next Chapter Meeting will be held on August 9, 2024, at Skillet & Grill, 1801 West Division Street, Arlington, Texas. Members meet for breakfast from the menu at 9:00 a.m. with the Chapter meeting commencing at approximately 9:30 a.m.

Attendance: 17 Chapter Members and 3 Guests