



*Texas SAR Arlington Chapter
Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2026*

The January 10, 2026, meeting was held at Skillet & Grill, 1801 W Division Street, Arlington, Texas. Members and guests gathered at 09:00 am for fellowship and breakfast.

- I. President Joe Kohn welcomed attendees and opened the meeting for Chapter business at approximately 9:30am.
- II. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the invocation.
- III. Sergeant-at-arms Richard Martin 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.
- V. Compatriot Brent Murray gave a very interesting program consisting of “Battle of Great Cane Brake” in South Carolina, on December 22, 1775. There were approximately 400 battles in South Carolina. The river cane thicket battle in Greenville County was the only battle in the county and only lasted 15 to 30 minutes.
- VI. Compatriot Joe Kohn provided additional information on the battles and activities in South Carolina.
- VII. Officer and Committee Reports
 - A. Secretary Bill Goodman reminded the Chapter that the minutes from the November 2025, meeting have been posted on the Chapter website and opened the floor for comments. There being no comments, a motion was made and seconded that the minutes be accepted as posted. The motion was approved by the Chapter.
 - B. Treasurer Richard Coffey reported the financial status of the Chapter.
 - C. Compatriot John Anderson presented the following reports:
 - Texas SAR Announcements
 - Congratulations to Joe Sogan as he was selected as Class of 2026 Texas SAR Patriot Medal recipients.
 - Texas SAR History Volume III. Compilation of articles is underway. Thank you to those who contributed Compatriots bios. Volunteers are needed to make the target delivery.
 - Texas SAR History Volume I books are available on the Information table. PDF versions of both Volumes 1 & 2 are also available.
 - Future scheduled Texas SAR Conferences
 - April 16 – 19, 2026 – Spring convention in Austin, TX. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend the April 16 unveiling at the Texas Stat Cemetery of the large Texas SAR granite monument to the Am Rev Patriots buried in Texas. Please join us as voting delegates.
 - Chapter membership Chair
 - Texas SAR Arlington Chapter booklets are available for \$3.00 each, pay the Treasurer.
 - 2025 ended with 85 members, 8 reinstatements, 2 duals from out of state transfers, 1 transfer, which is 1 less than last year. We gained 1 new Junior Member, Cameron Fairchild, and 3 transfers for other states.
 - 2026 Texas SAR Dues should be paid now and was in default after Jan 1st. See me as needed for reinstatements. Our first 2026 Roster is expected by month end.

- Interim Chapter Youth Awards Chair
 - We have one Contestant, the same youth person, for the Eagle Scout Essay Contest, Knight Essay Contest, Knight Essay Contest, and C.A.R. Essay Contest. We had a second Knight Essay contestant, but he was referred to the Mc Kinney Chapter.
 - We need to decide on what chapter award is appropriate. \$50.00 was approved previously for the winner.
 - D.A.R./C.A.R. Liaisons
 - Compatriot John Anderson is our DAR Liaison. We have four Abigail Adams awards to deliver on Wed. Jan 14; Meg Anderson, Susan Johnson, Gin Jentsch, and Cindy Fairchild.
 - Joe Sogan is the Texas SAR to DAR liaison. He may have a separate report.
- VIII. President Joe Kohn presented the 2026 Proposed Chapter Officers
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| President | Robert B. Pope |
| 1 st Vice-President | Brent Murray |
| 2 nd Vice President | Joseph G. Kohn |
| Secretary | Bill C. Goodman |
| Treasurer | Richard Coffey |
| Registrar | Joseph G. Kohn |
| Historian | John Anderson |
| Chaplain | Robert H. Wehr |
| Sergeant-At-Arms | Richard L. Martin |
- IX. Secretary Bill Goodman Discussed the Wreaths Across America program for the Spring Creek Cemetery. He stated that volunteers would be welcome.
- X. Old Business Old Business
- Bob Pope is our America 250 Campaign chair. He & John will pass out Flyers for the June 7 celebration. It is ready without a price, but the price will be set by month, and the Flyer will be revised accordingly.
- XI. Compatriot Dan Hamilton moved for adjournment, and the motion was seconded and passed.
- XII. Chaplain Bob Wehr delivered the Closing Benediction.
- XIII. Sergeant-at-Arms Richard Martin led the Chapter members in the closing admonition.

The next Chapter Meeting will be held on February 14, 2026, 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: 19 Chapter Members and 4 Guests

Respectfully Submitted, Secretary Bill Goodman