

# January 2018 Minutes

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Alexander Hamilton # 66

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Mel's All Star Lanes

Georgetown, TX

- President Lane Redwine called the meeting to order
- President-Elect Frank Elrod led the pledges to the flags of the United States Of America, The State Of Texas, and The Sons Of The American Revolution
- Opening prayer voiced by Chaplain Paul Crown
- Secretary Rick Malley welcomed those in attendance – 14 guests and 30 members
- Treasurer Darrin Hutchinson reported that we have \$1095.92 in our account
- President Redwine, President-Elect Elrod and acting Registrar Ray DeVries inducted 6 new compatriots into the society – Jim McManis, Reece Hudson, Carter Hudson, Brian Hudson, Jim Hudson, and James H.. Johnson.
- Compatriot DeVries reported:
  - o that he presented the Christmas stockings to the Veterans home in Waco on Tuesday following our last meeting.
  - o Operation Ancestry Search participation in Temple was rather weak in December since many soldiers were on leave. He stated that he was asked to present OAS to another division in Temple hospital. More details will come at our next meeting. He also reported that the Ft. Hood OAS meeting was a disaster, because they were without internet. Other details about the program are fuzzy, and may not be able to continue.

- o Color Guard has been given an opportunity to present at a George Washington dinner, and for the Military Order of The Purple Heart. In addition, they will present at the joint DAR/SAR meeting in February.
  
- o Everyone is encouraged to get a uniform and participate in color guard and in OAS.
  
- President Redwine reminded us of the joint DAR/SAR luncheon on February 17, in honor of George Washington's birthday. Attendees should send a check to Treasurer Hutchinson as soon as possible.
  
- President Redwine also reminded officers and members to provide information to Secretary Malley regarding SAR participation during the past year, which will be included in the annual report.
  
- – LUNCH
  
- Our guest speaker Robert Olwell discussed "Hamilton and Jefferson: Revolutionary Rivals", followed by a brief question and answer session.
  
- The SAR recessional was led by President-Elect Elrod
  
- Closing prayer by Chaplain Crown.

# February 2018 Minutes

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There is no report of minutes this month owing to a combined meeting with other organizations

# March 2018 Minutes

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- President Lane Redwine called the meeting to order
- President-Elect Frank Elrod led the pledges to the flags of the United States Of America, The State Of Texas, and The Sons Of The American Revolution
- Opening prayer read a prayer written by Chaplain Paul Crown, who was absent
- President Redwine gave a brief tribute to compatriot Harry Walden who passed away on January 22, 2018
- Awards of appreciation were presented by President Redwine to:

Compatriot Ray DeVries

Compatriot Ted Acheson

Compatriot Rick Malley

Compatriot Mike Nichols

Compatriot Jim Scott

Compatriot Darrin Hutchinson

Compatriot Frank Elrod

Compatriot Will Else

- Secretary Rick Malley welcomed those in attendance – 6 guests and 20 members
- Treasurer Darrin Hutchinson reported that we have \$1091.63 in our account
- Minutes of the January 2018 meeting were approved
- Compatriot DeVries reported:
  - o on comments made by veterans who received stockings from the chapter at Christmas
  - o 2 member packets were not approved at NSSAR
  - o One new application is done
  - o A couple of new applications will be starting.
  - o Operation Ancestry Search has good coverage at Ft. Hood, but volunteers are needed for Temple. More that 100 soldiers were helped at each location last year.
  - o With the passing of compatriot Walden, the chapter is in need of a new registrar. Compatriot DeVries is helping out until a new one can be selected.
    - o Texas Coastal district is also in need of a registrar
- Compatriot Jim Scott appealed for volunteers for OAS
- President Redwine reported that 12 members from Alexander Hamilton attended the joint DAR/SAR luncheon. Compatriots DeVries and Darrin Hutchinson participated in color guard for the event.
- In addition, compatriots Redwine and Hutchinson posted colors for the Military Order Of The Purple Heart Banquet.
- Compatriot Ted Acheson spoke about the banquet, and presented a certificate of appreciation to the chapter for their support to the order

- President Redwine also reminded officers and members that the annual report is due at the end of the month.
- President Redwine announced that the TXSSAR convention will be held April 5 – 8, and is asking anyone who wants to attend to let him know
- – LUNCH
- Our guest speaker was our own compatriot Ted Acheson, who told us about plans for a Wounded Warrior assisted living/rehab center.
- President-Elect Elrod presented a memento of appreciation for his report
- The SAR recessional was led by President-Elect Elrod
- Closing prayer led by President Redwine, written by Chaplain Crown.

# April 2018 Minutes

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- President Lane Redwine called the meeting to order
- President-elect Frank Elrod led the pledges to the flags of the United States of America, The State of Texas, and the Sons of the American Revolution
- Opening prayer voiced by Chaplain Paul Crown
- President Redwine gave a brief remembrance and memorial of compatriot Russell Fontenot, who passed away on March 21, 2018
- Compatriot Darren Hutchinson provided the treasurer's report in the absence of Treasurer Darrin Hutchinson. He reported that we have \$1816.94 in our account, with \$730.00 coming from TXSSAR for our portion of member dues.
- Secretary Rick Malley welcomed our members and recognized our guests
- Minutes from March 2018 meeting were approved
- Compatriot Ray DeVries reported
  - that Operation Ancestry Search is going good, and that they have been asked by two other sites, El Paso, TX and Ft. Riley, KS, to assist. Therefore volunteers are still needed to assist in helping the soldiers with their research
  - State convention was held in Dallas. He suggested that our chapter co-host the convention at some point, as a fund raiser for the chapter.
  - April 5 – 7, 2019, the convention will be held in Austin, hosted by Patrick Henry chapter.
  - Awards presented at the convention, were to Compatriot DeVries as being the first member of Alexander Hamilton to attend state convention. Harry Walden was posthumously recognized for honorable mention for the Hartsell Stevens for the most applications in 2017, with 31.
  - New forms have been published by NSSAR for membership application. They will now be online
  - Supplemental applicants must do their own research work

- The new color guard commander for state is from the southern region, Stu Hoyt, of William Hightower chapter in New Braunfels.
- NSSAR convention will be in Houston July 13 – 18, 2018.  
Volunteers are needed
- Anniversary of the start of the Revolutionary War was April 19, 1775
- Jim Clemons, President of Patrick Henry chapter, received the highest award that can be presented, The SAR Patriot Award
- NSSAR wants to know if you have served in the military at any time
- Our chapter received a white star award for our flag, for Patriots Fund Excellence.

## LUNCH

- Our speaker was our own compatriot S. Martin Shelton who talked about his book "Ming Yellow"
- President elect Elrod compatriot Shelton with a memento of his speech
- Recessional was led by President-elect Frank Elrod
- Closing prayer by Chaplain Paul Crown

# May 2018 Minutes

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- President Lane Redwine called the meeting to order
- President elect Frank Elrod led pledges to the flags of the United States Of America, the State of Texas, and the Sons of The American Revolution.
- Opening prayer was led by Chaplain Paul Crown
- Point of order was voted on to continue to allow members to continue eating while the speaker begins to speak. Motion Lane Redwine, second Paul Crown. Motion approved
- Secretary Rick Malley reported that we had 10 guest and, 16 members
- Treasurer Darrin Hutchinson reported that we have \$1520.26 in our account
- Minutes of the April 2018 meeting were approved
- ROTC awards were presented to Cadet Ssgt Luke Hall of Leander High School by compatriot Frank Elrod on May 12, Cadet CPO Dustin Lee of Eastview High School by compatriot James Scott on April 24, Cadet Dylan Quiniones of Stoney Point High School by compatriot Scott on May 2, Cadet Jason Higginbotham of Round Rock High School by President Lane Redwine on May 3, Cadet PO3 Christian Cochrun by President Redwine on April 27. These awards were presented at each schools' ROTC awards ceremonies.
- New members Jack Buell, Jerome Alder, Jarod Alder and Harvey Alder were inducted into the Society. President Lane Redwine, President elect Frank Elrod officiated, with compatriot Rick Malley standing in for compatriot Jarod Alder, and Al Bopp standing in for Harvey Alder.
- Compatriot Ray DeVries reported:
  - Operation Ancestry Search is moving along, with 3 – 5 soldiers in each session
  - May 24 Georgetown, Color Guard will present colors at Carry The Load, for First Responders families, particularly those who have lost loved ones. The west coast group will be the ones coming through this year.
  - Color guard will present at Texas State Cemetery for Memorial Day.
  - A session will be held in Corsicana to honor two past presidents of TXSSAR on the same day as we meet in August.
  - He also gave a brief recap regarding the veterans home that the chapter supported in December.
  - He also spoke regarding the fact that Ted Acheson now has a “prepackaged” report about the self contained wounded warrior home.
- Compatriot Mike Nichols reminded us that the Knight essay contest is open to any graduating senior.
- LUNCH
- Speaker John Spahr gave a presentation about “Heroes of World War II”
- President elect Elrod presented him with a memento of appreciation for his speech
- Recessional by President elect Elrod
- Closing prayer by Chaplain Crown

# June 2018 Minutes

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- President-Elect Frank Elrod called the meeting to order
- Compatriot Jim Scott led the pledges to the flags of the United States Of America, The State Of Texas, and The Sons Of The American Revolution
- Opening prayer voiced by Chaplain Paul Crown
- President-Elect Elrod informed us that President Lane Redwine was absent today because he is attending his daughter's graduation ceremony.
- Secretary Rick Malley welcomed those in attendance
- Minutes from the May 2018 meeting were approved
- Treasurer Darrin Hutchinson reported that we have \$1520.76 in our account
- Compatriot DeVries reported:

o Operation Ancestry Search participation in Temple had no attendees at the meeting right after Memorial Day...but that more help is needed there. He also reported that the Ft. Hood OAS is still having problems with Wi-Fi. However, there were 5 soldiers with 5 members assisting.

- Compatriot Jim Scott told us that color guard participated in the Memorial Day TX State Cemetery ceremonies, as well as the Burnet County Fair on June 8, and at the Carry The Load activities at the courthouse. Upcoming opportunities are the Delco Center naturalization ceremony on June 27, and the Sun City Singers concert on July 3
- We were reminded that NSSAR will be meeting June 14 -16 in Houston, TX
- Compatriot DeVries told us that the veteran's home in Waco is not wanting to give up names and birth months for residents. The consensus is to buy gift cards and give on holidays. Chaplain Crown will collect funds for the purchase of cards

– LUNCH

- Our guest speaker Etta Moore talked about “The 100 Club”, which provides assistance to fallen or injured police, fire, EMS and first responders or their families.
- The SAR recessional was led by Compatriot Scott
- Closing prayer by Chaplain Crown.

# July 2018 Minutes

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ALEXANDER HAMILTON CHAPTER #66

July 14, 2018

11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Mel's Lonestar Lanes  
1010 N. Austin Ave.  
Georgetown, Texas

- Call To Order – President Lane Redwine
- Pledges – President Elect Frank Elrod
- Opening Prayer – Chaplain Paul Crown
- ***Because of scheduling conflict, our speaker made his presentation earlier in the program***
  - Speaker: **Chick Gladwin** of Georgetown. His subject was “/*STAND.*”
- Memento presented by President Elect Elrod
- Chaplain Crown gave a short presentation about the history of the “Star Spangled Banner”.
- Chaplain Crown talked about the collection for the veterans home. Gift baskets and cards were purchased and sent to the home. A letter of appreciation sent from the home was read.
- Secretary Rick Malley – Guests 7, members 17
- Minutes of June 9, 2018 meeting were approved
- Treasurer Darrin Hutchinson reported that we have \$1509.07 in our account
- President Redwine told us that State secretary Petty has asked if chapters need to increase dues, and report before dues cards are sent. The chapter will decide this question at a later meeting.
- Compatriot Ray DeVries:
  - Operation Ancestry Search is coming along strugglingly. Only two members were there last time, and only one will be there for the upcoming session.
  - Color guard presented colors at Sun City July 3 for the Sun City singers concert. Participants were compatriots Paul Crown, RayDeVries, Jim Scott, Darren Hutchinson, and James Robinson.
  - Color guard also presented colors at naturalization ceremony at Delco Center. James Robinson and Ray DeVries represented Alexander Hamilton chapter, along with compatriots from other chapters.
  - We have three applications who are approved, and will be inducted in August. There are three “in the pipeline”.
- SAR Recessional was led by President Elect Elrod
- Closing Prayer by Chaplain Crown.

# August 2018 Minutes

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ALEXANDER HAMILTON CHAPTER #66

August 11, 2018

Mel's Lonestar Lanes  
1010 N. Austin Ave.  
Georgetown, Texas

- Call To Order – President Lane Redwine
- Pledges – President-Elect Frank Elrod
- Opening Prayer – Chaplain Paul Crown  
Chaplain Crown explained that this prayer was based on James Madison's Humiliation Prayer
- Induction of new Members – James C. Rabon Jr. and James C.T. Rabon VII
- President Redwine presented Compatriot Ed Clendenon with an award for supporting the OAS Program at Ft. Hood.

- Secretary Rick Malley reported that there were 19 members and 7 guests attending
  
- Treasurer Darrin Hutchinson Reported that we have \$1488.07 in our account. He also reported that there was an attempt at phishing for banking information. As a result, we were all given the admonition to be diligent about verifying any request for banking or personal information, even if it seems to be from a legitimate source.
  
- President Redwine reminded us that we will be meeting with the DAR September 22, 2018 for the joint meeting. Details about reservations and payment will be forthcoming.
  
- Compatriot Ray DeVries
  - o Reported that the OAS program is moving along, but more help is needed.
  
  - o He noted that we had two new members inducted today, and there was one who was not able to be here today, because he is out of town.
  
  - o There are two applications that have just been received at National. There are two who signed applications in the last day or so, and there are three others who have applications that need to be signed, and there are 7 others who are in the application process.  
Another gentleman contacted him stating that he has documentation that would include him in the society, however, the application has not yet been completed.
  
  - o He reported that San Gabriel Masonic Lodge has a new flag pole, and they would like for our color guard to do the honors of raising the flag for its dedication.
  
  - o Color guard presented colors for naturalization ceremony at LBJ Library in Austin.
  
  - o On the topic of color guard, compatriot Jim Scott noted that the local PBS station had a program about immigration, and on their website there were pictures of our chapter color guard at the most recent naturalization ceremony.

- Compatriot Paul Crown stated that the veteran's homes will not allow us to know the birthdates of their residents. However, they would allow us to send cards that are pre-signed. Cards were sent around for us to sign, to be distributed to the homes.
- Compatriot DeVries told us that the Boy Scout leadership has agreed to a meeting to discuss having color guard at Courts of Honor for Eagle Scout ceremonies.
- President Redwine reminded us that we need to decide about raising our dues by \$5.50 per year.  
Compatriot Ed Clendenon made the motion to raise the dues, Compatriot Frank Elrod seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.
- Lunch
- Speaker: Compatriot **Marty Shelton** discussed his historical novel entitled "St. Catherine's Crown"
- SAR Recessional was led by President-Elect Elrod
- Closing Prayer led by Chaplain Crown

# September 2018 Minutes

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ALEXANDER HAMILTON CHAPTER #66

September 22, 2018

There are no September meeting minutes owing to the meeting with the DAR September 22, 2018 for a joint meeting.

# October 2018 Minutes

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ALEXANDER HAMILTON CHAPTER #66

October 13, 2018

11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Mel's Lonestar Lanes  
1010 N. Austin Ave.  
Georgetown, Texas

- Call to Order – President Lane Redwine
- Pledges – President Elect Frank Elrod
- Opening – Prayer Chaplain Paul Crown
- Induction of new Member, Timothy Wieting by President Redwine, acting Registrar Ray DeVries, President Elect Elrod.
- Compatriot Tim Acheson provided information regarding the Field Of Honor at San Gabriel Park, which will occur a week before Veterans Day. He has asked for help in manning a booth for a couple of hours during that time.
- In Memorium: Past President Don Bunnell
- Secretary Rick Malley reported 4 guests, 16 members
- Treasurer Darren Hutchinson – Report \$1408.79
- Minutes of August 11, 2018 Meeting approved
- New Business:
  - New Dues form will be coming out soon.
- Committee Reports
  - Compatriot Ray DeVries attended DAR/SAR meeting. Only a few of us attended. One of the most poorly attended. Speaker **Willett** “was” number 3, and is now number 2 for President Trump’s nominations to SCOTUS.
  - November 10 our color guard has been invited to present colors at San Gabriel #89 Masonic Lodge at 9:00 a.m. Attendees are invited to join for breakfast.
  - Color guard presenters are asked to be at the lodge at 6:00 on Thursday, and will be fed supper.

- OAS, no attendees at the Temple meeting October 3. The Temple dormitory will be split to be male only, and the Waco dormitory will be all female.
- At Ft. Hood, there was only one attendee, who is the commanding officer.  
More instructors are needed at all locations. The Temple location has a security process that must be followed in order to be on base.
- Application wise “I got a bunch, if I could just get them to sit down with me”
- Lunch
- Speaker: **President Lane Redwine**. Topic: A Review of an SAR Chapter’s Elected and Appointed Offices.
  - Current Elected Positions:
    - President Lane Redwine
    - President Elect Frank Elrod
    - Sergeant At Arms Darren Hutchinson
    - Treasurer Darren Hutchinson
    - Secretary Rick Malley
    - Chaplain Paul Crown
    - Registrar Currently filled by Past President Ray DeVries
    - Historian Currently filled by President Lane Redwine
  - 
  - Current Appointed Positions:
    - Flag award Chairman – Mike Nichols
    - Knight Essay Award Chairman – Mike Nichols
    - Community Service Award Chairman – Mike Nichols
    - Color guard VACANT – (Paul Crown suggested that Jim Scott be the new color guard commander)
    - ROTC/JROTC Program Chairman – President
    - Eagle Scout Program Chairman – Jim Scott (suggested Ed Clendenon)
    - OAS Chairman – Ray DeVries
    - VA Community Residential Care Homes Project – Paul Crown
  - **Afterwards, we will accept nominations of the elected offices.**
- SAR Recessional – President Elect Elrod
- Closing Prayer – Chaplain Crown

# November 2018 Minutes

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November 10, 2018

11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Mel's Lonestar Lanes  
1010 N. Austin Ave.  
Georgetown, Texas

- Call to Order – President Lane Redwine
- Pledges – President Elect Frank Elrod
- Opening – Prayer Chaplain Paul Crown
- Induction of new Member, Benjamin McCrary by President Redwine, acting Registrar Ray DeVries, President Elect Elrod.
- Secretary Rick Malley reported 5 guests, 17 members
- Treasurer Darren Hutchinson – Report \$1408.79

- Minutes of October 13, 2018 Meeting approved
  
- New Business:
  - Paul Crown reported that we have the opportunity to support the veterans home in Temple. Requested that we do so again. Passed around a hat to collect for said project. More than enough funds were collected to support the project.
  
- Dues notices were mailed during the past month. Dues are payable by the end of the year.
  
- December meeting, every one is asked to wear Revolutionary uniforms, as this will be our new officers induction. District 4 VP Ron Wolcik will be here to install new officers.
  
- Committee Reports
  - New people at veterans home. Creates some problems, working through those.
  
- OAS needs volunteers.
  - Need assistance finding birth parents for adopted children.
  - Will only be doing one session per site, in November.
  
- We have 12 new applications, plus one on hold, at National.
  - There are 14 with brick walls, but they are being worked on.
  - Our color guard presented colors at San Gabriel #89 Masonic Lodge at 9:00 a.m. this morning. There was a B25 flyover, following the flag raising.

- The following nominees were presented as officers for the 2019 – 2021 term:
  - **President: Frank Elrod**
  - **President-Elect: Darrin Hutchinson**
  - **Sergeant-at-Arms: Darrell Hutchinson**
  - **Secretary: Rick Malley**
  - **Chaplain: Paul Crown**
  - **Historian: R.D. Brown**
  - **Treasurer: Darrin Hutchinson**
  - **Registrar: Ray De Vries**
- These nominees were approved by acclamation.
- LUNCH
- Speaker **Lt Col Thomas Peterson** from Camp Mabry in Austin. “WAR ON GLOBAL TERRORISM.”
- Presented with a memento of appreciation.
- SAR Recessional – President Elect Elrod
- Closing Prayer – Chaplain Crown

# December 2018 Minutes

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December 8, 2018

11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Mel's Lonestar Lanes  
1010 N. Austin Ave.  
Georgetown, Texas

Call to Order – President Lane Redwine

Pledges – President Elect Frank Elrod

Opening – Prayer Chaplain Paul Crown

Welcoming comments by President Redwine

District 4 VP Ron Wolcik reminded us that dues are due.

The annual chapter report will be due at the end of January, 2019. He asked that everyone let us know what we have done.

State color guard will be at state capitol for an event.

Wreaths across America will be at the state cemetery on Saturday.

State convention will be held in Austin, April 4 – 7, 2019.

October 2018 Quannah Parker Chapter # 67 was chartered in North Texas

Secretary Rick Malley reported 8 guests, 16 members

Treasurer Darren Hutchinson - Report \$1477.10

Minutes of November 10, 2018 Meeting approved

#### Committee Reports

Paul Crown, 10 adopted vets in Temple, \$210.00. Santa bags for the vets with the items requested from the veterans home.  
Cards were passed around for each person to sign.

Ray DeVries OAS is moving along very well at both places.  
Presents will be delivered Dec 19. That will be the last session until January. Hearty "thank you" to the Crowns for heading this.  
13 applications possibly being approved before end of year

All applications at National have been submitted since October.

20 applications on desk, in process. Some are over a year old.

Ray will no longer be "acting" registrar as of today.

Awards presented (see list from Lane)

Compatriot Mike Nichols – For his efforts regarding Flag Awards, Knight Essay Awards, and Public Service Awards

Compatriot Jim Scott – For his efforts regarding Eagle Scouts, JROTC and Color Guard

Compatriot Ed Clendenin, Jr. – For his efforts regarding OAS and Eagle Scouts

Compatriot Ray De Vries – For his efforts regarding OAS and Color Guard and as Registrar

Compatriot Richard Malley – For his efforts regarding Color Guard, Assisting the Registrar, and as Chapter Secretary

Compatriot Darrin Hutchinson – For his efforts regarding Color Guard and as Treasurer/Sgt-at-Arms

Compatriot Darrell Hutchinson – For his efforts regarding Color Guard

Compatriot Frank Elrod – For his efforts regarding JROTC and as President-Elect

Compatriot Rev. Paul Crown – For his efforts regarding the Veterans' Home and as Chaplain

Dr. Marrika Crown, PhD – For her efforts regarding the Veteran's Home

The following officers were inducted by District 4 VP Ron Wolcik, for the 2019 – 2021 term:

President: Frank Elrod

President-Elect: Darrin Hutchinson

Sergeant-at-Arms: Darrell Hutchinson

Secretary: Rick Malley

Chaplain: Paul Crown

Historian: R.D. Brown

Treasurer: Darrin Hutchinson

Registrar: Ray De Vries

LUNCH

Closing remarks

SAR Recessional – President Elrod

Closing Prayer – Chaplain Crown