## Meeting minutes for Arlington Chapter #7 TXSSAR April 14, 2012

- > President Ron Carter called the meeting to order at 09:05.
- > Chaplain David Friels led the invocation.
- President Ron Carter led the pledges to the flag of the United States of America, the flag of the State of Texas, and to the flag of the Sons of the American Revolution.
- President Ron Carter called for and received approval of the March 10, 2012 minutes.
- > Officer and Committee Reports:
  - Registrar John Anderson discussed the status of the applications of Dick Lee, Bob Wehr and Roger Wehr.
  - As chapter website administrator, John also stated that he had modified the site as suggested by the TXSSAR guidelines and asked that the chapter members view the site and give their input.
  - Treasurer Ray Bommer gave his report on the chapters' finances and was given approval to cash in Treasury Bills which are accruing little interest.

## > Awards:

- Ray Bommer, JROTC/ROTC Committee Chair, got the required signatures on the Recognition Certificates that are to be presented.
- President Ron Carter reported on his attendance to the TXSSAR Spring Convention in San Antonio.
- Our Poster Contest submission did not place.
- Our Children of the American Revolution Essay Scholarship Contest submission by Alek J. Sogan was a 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winner.
- Our Chapter received Awards and Recognitions from TXSSAR:
  - Outstanding Chapter Award for excelling in all areas and programs of the SAR during 2011.

- TXSSAR Americanism Award for having an exceptional program to Recognize, Promote, Patriotic activities and recognizing outstanding Citizens during 2011.
- A Recognition Certificate was also received for having the 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner, Alek J. Sogan, in the Children of the American Revolution Essay Scholarship Contest.

## Unfinished and New Business

- Ron Carter passed out blank copies of the Flag Certificate of Commendation. If a member thinks that an individual or business should receive one for their display of The Flag of the United States of America, then complete the copy with your nomination's name and contact information, and return to Ron.
- John Anderson suggested that the newly elected Officers take a look at the National store for items that we each may need to perform our duties (Brochures, stationary, certificates, etc.). We could then place one order.
- Program

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- Ray Bommer introduced Mr. David Mabry aka Thomas Jefferson who, dressed in period clothing, spoke of Mr. Jefferson's life. Such things as speaking five languages, playing the violin, and being an avid reader. He spoke of his mansion Monticello, his inventions, and his relationships with James Madison, Alexander Hamilton, John Adams, George Washington and, of course, Aaron Burr. He spoke of the Louisiana Purchase and the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Mr. Mabry also brought visual aids from that period including a sword, money, Quill and Ink set, and several books.
- At 10:40 President Ron Carter for a motion to adjourn and led the Admonition. Chaplain David Friels gave the Benediction.
- > There were 5 members and 4 guests present.

See you at our next meeting on 12 May 2012