

TXSSAR Arlington Chapter No. 7
Southern Recipes Grill, Arlington, TX
Meeting Minutes for May 14, 2016

Location: Southern Recipes Grill, 2715 North Collins St., Arlington, TX 76006

- I. **Call to Order** – By President John Anderson at approximately 9:00 a.m.
- II. **Invocation** – By Chaplain Bob Wehr
- III. **Pledges** – Sergeant-at-Arms Bill Covington led the pledge of allegiance to the U.S. flag and to the Texas flag, and also the SAR pledge.
- IV. **Guest Introductions** by John Anderson – The guests in attendance were: Joe Sogan, Dual member from Ohio and TX and State CAR President; Robert Pope, Jr., SAR applicant; Jerry Cope, SAR new member; Ned Myers (new member) and his wife Susan.
- V. **In this Month during the American Revolution** – Historian Kevin Jorrey
 - May 14, 1775 – New York’s committee of 100 (a subcommittee of the Continental Congress) orders Staten Island and New Jersey to halt the illicit sale of provisions to British Warships.
 - May 14, 1776 – The Continental Congress’s Committee of Secret Correspondence receives information that King George demanded and received from the Queen of Hungary a pledge to ban exports of military stores to America.
- VI. **TX SAR Dist. 5 Vice President Ron Carter**
 - Attended Granbury meeting late last month and was impressed that they grossed approximately \$6,000 from a raffle for a Revolutionary War Period replica musket. The chapter is about 50 strong and worked approximately one year on the raffle. Ron recommended that we consider a money raising project since there are a number of programs we want to pursue. Care must be taken, however, that we stay within the Texas gambling law so as not to violate 501c restrictions.
 - Fall BOM meeting is at the Austin Downtown Holiday Inn in October.
 - Information for the 2017 Poster Contest and CAR Essay will be out soon. Ron also reported that committees are presently being filled at State level and anyone interested should get on the State web site and sign up.
 - Ron admonished us to promote youth contests. He said many of the contests do not require the participants to be either SAR or CAR. The highest award is a \$2500 scholarship.
- VII. **New Member Recognition** - Joe Sogan is a new member to our Chapter, but has a dual membership in Ohio and has been a SAR member for approximately 20 years.
- VIII. **New Member Induction for Ned Myers** - President John Anderson and Registrar Kevin Jorrey conducted the induction. Ned’s rosette was pinned on by his wife, Susan. Ned stated that his Patriot is James Coe who served in the Connecticut Militia. Patriot Coe immigrated to the United States with his father Robert.
- IX. **Chapter Business** – President John Anderson presiding:
 - Approval of last meeting minutes:** The minutes as posted on the web and passed out during the meeting were approved by the Chapter after a motion for approval by Kevin Jorrey.

- **Officer and Committee Reports:**
 - **ROTC/JROTC Awards, Chair Roger Wehr** – Certificates and medals were presented at UTA ROTC and various high school JROTC awards programs for participating Arlington and Mansfield High Schools. *A list of the schools and recipients will be posted with these minutes.*
 - **Treasurer Dennis Walton** – Reported that this month he deposited \$566.50 which mostly was our part of the 2016 membership dues. After the deposit and expenses, our total bottom line balance is \$2,521.70.
 - **2016 Poster Contest** – Dennis had checks for the three poster contest winners selected by our Chapter. Four Arlington schools submitted posters, and Ron and John will make personal presentations at each of the participating schools and also present the checks to the three Chapter winners. The Arlington Chapter winners are: 1. Jamie Valgas - \$35.00, 2. Edy Duan - \$25.00, and 3. Abraham Orr - \$15.00. There was some discussion that we should reevaluate the amount of the awards considering the work that goes into the winning posters.
 - **Registrar Kevin Jorrey** – Reported that Jerry Cope’s application has been approved by National. Kevin Hurley’s application was received by National on April 28. Art Brucks application has been received by National and is currently being reviewed. Kevin is actively working with Dwayne Garrison on his application. Robert Pope, a guest today, is completing the documentation for his application. We have 51 active compatriots counting Jerry Cope.
 - **BSA Eagle Scout Awards** – John Anderson reported that we have a request for a “low key” Eagle Scout Award and we may just mail the certificate. John also stated that we should give all available recognition to each Eagle Scout when we have the opportunity since it is such an important accomplishment and we get so few opportunities.
 - **CAR** – Ryan Jones, who won 4th place in State with his essay, is aging out of CAR and he will be contacted to join SAR. Joe Sogan, State CAR President, said his family hosts the Hurst/ Bedford area CAR chapter and they would welcome any new members. Joe stated that there will be 9 regional meetings during the summer to kick off next year (the chapters typically don’t meet during the summer). TXCAR has a website and each chapter can have a web page on the site. CAR application forms can be obtained off the National CAR website. SAR members have to complete an application for their children, but can use their SAR number as supporting documentation.
 - **DAR Liaison** - Jack Davis is our DAR Liaison. Lorna Rankin is setting up a Mansfield/Kennedale DAR Chapter.
 - **Independence Day Parade** – Ray Wehr has declined to be chairman this year due to new job requirements, but reported that the entry dead line is this Thursday. We do not have a chairman, but Ray and Roger Wehr are considering marching in the parade and carrying our banner.
- **Old Business**
 - **Meeting Location** – John Anderson stated that we presently have two options, Fielder House Museum and Southern Recipes Grill (SRG). After some discussion, Kevin Jorrey recommended that we meet at SRG next month. John Anderson proposed the recommendation be extended to meeting here (SRG) until further notice. The members present indicated agreement. *(After the meeting adjourned, John and David Friels reserved SRG for June 1, and told the manager that we were happy with the location and service and would like to continue meeting here on the 2nd Saturday of each month for the foreseeable future.*

- **New Business** – There was no new business discussed.

X. **Announcements**

- Various announcements were provided on reverse side of the agenda.
- The program for June 11 will be provided by the Fort Worth Color Guard.
- Dick Lee stated that he has moved to a Senior Living Facility and they provide a display location for each occupant. He displayed his SAR Military Service Award and has received lots of positive comments and interest in both his service and SAR.
- TXSSAR Secretary Drake Petty is doing a great job and has our membership posted by category on the web site. We should all check it out.
- John Anderson will award a Flag Certificate to the Lonestar Squadron of the US Naval Sea Cadet Corp. at the Carswell JRB.

XI. **Motion to Adjourn** was made by Dennis Walton, seconded by Bob Wehr, and approved.

XII. Sergeant-at-Arms Bill Covington led the SAR Recessional / Closing Admonition.

XIII. Chaplin by Bob Wehr gave the benediction.

XIV. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 am

XV. **Attendance Summary:**

16 members and 2 guests were present for the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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