

TXSSAR Arlington Chapter No. 7
Southern Recipes Grill, Arlington, TX
Meeting Minutes for July 9, 2016

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

- I. Call to Order** – By President John Anderson at approximately 9:40 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, the pledge to the Texas flag, and the SAR pledge.
- IV. Guest Introductions** by John Anderson – Applicants: Richard Martin, Dwayne Garrison, and Robert Pope. Kevin Hurley’s family: Toby Hurley, DAR (mother), Jennifer Hurley (wife) and sons Ryan and Aaren.
- V. Moment of the Day** – Presented by Compatriot Dick Lee
- VI. This Month during the American Revolution** – by David Friels for Historian Kevin Jorrey:
 - July 9, 1775 – King George calls a petition of the London Common Council “most decent and moderate in words” but subversive in its denial of Parliament’s authority to tax the colonies.
 - July 9, 1776 – A New York paper reports: “The Equestrian Statue of George III, erected in 1770, was thrown from its pedestal and broken in pieces; and we hear the lead wherewith this monument was made, is to be run into bullets. On Gwynn’s Island off the cost of Virginia, Dunmore and his men are routed, leaving control of the island to the Patriots.
 - July 9, 1777 – New York elects first Governor George Clinton.
 - July 8, 1778 – General Washington establishes his headquarters at West Point, a strategic point that dominates the Hudson River.
 - July 5 – 11, 1779 – British raid Connecticut coast.
 - July 11, 1782 – British Evacuate Savannah, Georgia.
- VII. TX SAR Dist. 5 Vice President Ron Carter**
 - Senior State CAR officers and advisers attended a meeting at San Marcos. The theme for the year is “Our Roots go Deep.” Members will be requesting donations to plant trees.
 - Poster Contest topic – Who was Alexander Hamilton? Roger is working on a brochure which we will distribute to AISD after the district’s approval.
 - CAR Essay - Topic is Alexander Hamilton and rules are posted on the TXSSAR web site. Contest is open to HS sophomore to college freshman CAR members of at least 2 years. Five scholarships will be awarded with a top prize of \$2500.
 - Fort Worth SAR chapter is preparing a list of “lineage” societies to encourage dual membership.
 - The TXSSAR public web site has been updated and strengthened. There is also a or private web site for members only.

- VIII. New Member Recognition** – Compatriot Rev. James Harris, Bill Covington’s Pastor, has transferred from Florida. He joined SAR in 2013, and his Patriot is Terrance Conner.
- IX. New Member Induction for Kevin M. Hurley** - President John Anderson conducted the induction and Kevin’s rosette was pinned on by his wife, Jennifer. Kevin’s Patriot is Pvt. Andrew Dillman, Jr. of the 2nd Penn. Regiment. Kevin’s mother, Toby Hurley, is active in DAR and rode on our prize winning, joint chapter Independence Day Float in 2015.
- X. Chapter President’s Message** – John Anderson
- Recognition goes to State Secretary for his efforts!
 - Arlington Chapter members and friends should proudly note the photo on page 37 of the National SAR Magazine which was taken during the March Grave Marking Ceremony for Compatriots Dr. Valin Woodward and Hon. Benton C. Collins. Compatriot Morgan Woodward is Dr. Valin Woodward’s son and holds dual membership in Fort Worth and Arlington SAR Chapters.
 - Compatriot Joe Sogan is attending the Region CAR meeting at Baton Rouge. Compatriot Kyle Rankin is also attending as CAR Region V.P.
 - The Arlington area now has two active DAR chapters and the Arlington SAR will support both chapters to the best of our ability.
 - Youth award brochures – 500 to be printed and distribute to AISD 5th Grade and Counselors and AISD High School History, English, Speech classes, and Counselors after obtaining AISD permission. The brochures must be distributed by September to be effective so we all need to assist. Jennifer Hurley volunteered to contact the P.T.A.s for us.
- XI. Chapter Business** – President John Anderson presiding:
- **Approval of last meeting minutes:** Compatriot Ron Carter questioned a statement in Section X of the minutes which was clarified by the Secretary and then the minutes were approved. The clarification was regarding the number of awards presented to the Mansfield High School JROTC Units which should have read five, but the number had been omitted. The correct statement under the President’s Message follows: *The chapter gave out awards to seven ROTC/JROTC cadets last month. Units represented and number of awards were: UTA - one, Arlington High Schools (one combined unit) – one, and Mansfield High Schools – five.*
 - **Officer and Committee Reports:**
 - **Secretary David Friels** – No response as yet to our application to participate in the Kroger Community Rewards Program which was submitted via email on May 25. The Tom Thumb Good Neighbor Program Application has been mailed. David will follow up on the Kroger application.
 - **Treasurer Dennis Walton** – Reported a July 9 total bottom line balance of \$2,504.20.
 - **Registrar - John Anderson reported the following for Kevin Jorrey:** We presently have 54 members including Compatriot Morgan Woodward, who recently added Arlington #7 to his membership. Art Brucks’s application is

at National and should be approved soon. The Benton's applications (3 generations) are at National and should be approved soon. Charles Wolf, Dwayne Garrison, and Robert Pope are working on their applications along with Kevin assistance. The Anderson sons and grandson application have recently been submitted.

- **Photographer, Dropbox Gallery** – The dropbox has been cleaned up and some old files deleted so there should be no space issues for a while.
- **Speakers Bureau, Bill Covington Chair** – Bill said he had no presentations during June. This month he will present at Clarksville and to the Bernardo de Galvez SAR Chapter.
- **Web Master John Anderson** – Compatriot Jerry Cope noted the quality of our Chapter web site and commended John for his work.
- **Old Business**
 - No old business
- **New Business**
 - Roger Wehr is in process of setting up recognition for Arlington Police Officer Eddy Johnston. His Chief is selecting a meeting date.
 - David Friels will contact the Pantego Fire Department to arrange recognition during the October meeting.

XII. Announcements

- Various announcements were provided on reverse side of the agenda.

XIII. Program – Compatriot James Gibson presented an interesting program regarding the difference in design and use muskets and rifles. He has authored a book titled: *A War Without Rifles, 1792 Militia Act and War of 1812.*

XIV. Motion to Adjourn was made by Dennis Walton, duly seconded and approved.

XV. Sergeant At Arms Bill Covington led the SAR Recessional / Closing Admonition.

XVI. Chaplain by Bob Wehr gave the benediction.

XVII. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 am.

XVIII. Attendance Summary:

15 members and 7 guests were present for the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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