

**TXSSAR Arlington Chapter No. 7  
Southern Recipes Grill, Arlington, TX  
Meeting Minutes for September 10, 2016**

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

- I. Call to Order** – By Chapter President John Anderson at approximately 9:10 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. Introductions of Past Chapter Presidents by President Anderson:** Ron Carter – 2011, David Friels – 2014.
- V. Guest Introductions by President Anderson** – Bill Watts, Dwayne Garrison, Wally Penny, Dan Hamilton, Allan Husch.
- VI. Comment of the Day** – Presented by Compatriot Dick Lee regarding building a bridge.
- VII. This Month during the American Revolution** – Historian Kevin Jorrey:
  - September 11, 1775 – A group of conscientious objectors sends the Committee of Safety 152 pounds in support of the American cause.
  - September 12, 1775 – The Second Continental Congress reconvenes in Philadelphia and three new Georgia delegates join the deliberations. In London, Lord Dartmouth announces that 10,000 stand of arms and 6 light artillery pieces would be sent to North Carolina where Governor Martin claims a large body of loyalists would oppose the rebels with force.
  - September 2, 1776 – “Our situation is truly distressing.” Wrote Washington Hancock. The militia, “dismayed, intractable and impatient to return (home), were deserting in droves and with the deepest concern I am obliged to confess my want of confidence, in the generality of the troops. Only a permanent, standing army can now guarantee our liberties.”
  - September 9, 1776 – Name “United States of America” adopted by Congress on this day: “Resolved, that in all continental commissions, and other instruments, where, heretofore, the words “United Colonies” have been used, the stile be altered for the future to the “United States.”
  - September 11, 1777 – Howe outmaneuvers Washington at the Battle of Brandywine, and Washington withdraws toward Philadelphia.
  - September 13, 1777 – Burgoyne moves to the west bank of the Hudson.
- VIII. TX SAR Dist. 5 Vice President Ron Carter**
  - TX SAR Board of Managers (BOM) meeting, which is listed on the back of the agenda, will be October 14 – 16 in Austin.
  - TXSSAR Annual Meeting will be held in San Antonio at the EL Tropicana River Walk Hotel on March 30 – April 2, 2017.
- IX. N. Texas Color Guard Report** - by Compatriot Jerry Cope
  - George Washington’s Birthday Parade will be held in Laredo on February 18, 2017. Those planning to attend should make reservations as soon as possible.
- X. New Member Induction** – Three generations of the Benton family, James W. (Jim) Benton, Sr.; James W. Benton, Jr.; and Bryce Benton were inducted. Jim and James were escorted to the flags by Sergeant-At-Arms Bill Covington. Bryce was not in attendance. President Anderson presided

over the induction. Their Patriot is Private Daniel Treadaway, who served in New Jersey and later moved to South Carolina and served in the South Carolina Militia. Jim is a retired private business owner in Ennis and has served as Mayor. James lives in Flower Mound and owns his own business. Prior to starting his business, James taught high school and later was a school administrator.

**XI. Program** – Compatriot Bill Watts of the East Fork of Trinity Chapter presented a very interesting program entitled “Last Man Standing.” The program was about Revolutionary War Patriots that were photographed and the oldest Patriots to be photographed. Bill currently serves as Vice President of his chapter and Color Guard North Texas Commander.

**XII. Chapter President’s Message, President Anderson**

- State Fair Table – We may assist manning the SAR table at the DAR house. Compatriots Anderson and Covington are coordinating our efforts, and we should contact one of them if we are interested. There will be morning and afternoon sessions.
- Patriot Medal – Nominations have closed for this year, but we should note that Compatriot Ron Carter was nominated by our chapter last year and was selected by the TXSSAR to receive the medal.
- SAR Anniversaries this month
  - 10 years – Richard Martin and Tom Waldrop
  - 5 years – Don Billings and Gary Faletti
- Members Birthdays this month
  - Ron Carter (August), Mike Hutchins, Corey Walker, and James Gibson (September)

**XIII. Chapter Business** – President 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 Dennis Walton and second by Jerry Copeland.
- **Officer and Committee Reports:**
  - **Treasurer Dennis Walton** – The September 10 total bottom line balance was \$2,333.45.
  - **Registrar Kevin Jorrey**  
Status of Applications - Charles Wolf e’s @ national 2 months and expect approval anytime, and Dwayne Garrison’s @ State.  
John Anderson’s sons and grandson applications (Grady, Steven, and John Anderson’s) were received by National August 29.  
Ned Myers’s Supplemental will be submitted to State after signature. Applications for Wally Penny and Dan Hamilton and a supplemental for Jerry Cope are in progress.  
Arlington #7 presently has 60 active members including 10 juniors.
  - **Chaplain Bob Wehr** commented that Sunday will be the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9/11, 2001 attacks and it should remind us of our legacy of patriotism given us by our Patriot Ancestors who established this Greatest Nation. We must pass on the remembrance and the need to carry on the dedication and principals of our ancestors as our legacy to following generations. Bob recognized Compatriot Covington for his efforts in giving presentations not only in our area but often when he travels to other parts of the country.
  - **Youth Awards Brochure** – President Anderson reported that brochures outlining the youth award programs sponsored by SAR were delivered to all Arlington ISD grade and high schools. Compatriots John Anderson, Jerry Cope, Roger Wehr, Richard Coffee, and David Friels made the deliveries. John noted that the SAR Oration Contest has been moved up in time from the spring meeting to the fall BOM meeting due to UIL conflicts.

- **DAR Liaison** – President Anderson is currently pursuing partnering with the DAR Lucretia Chapter to recognize an Arlington Policeman of the Year. Another goal is to provide a letter to be inserted in each new member packet for the Arlington and Mansfield DAR chapters. The purpose of the letter will be to introduce SAR and encourage an SAR application(s) for the new DAR member’s son or other eligible relatives. Likewise, we will insert the a DAR letter of introduction in our new member packets.
- **Drop Box** – President Anderson reported that the drop box has been reorganized to keep only the current year documents and photos. Older information will be saved on CDs and will be archived at the North Texas University Willis Library.
- **Speakers Bureau, Bill Covington Chair** – Bill reported that activities for September will include a presentation to the Ellis County Genealogical Society. He will send all information for this month in an email to Compatriot Friels. It was noted that presentations did not have to be specifically about the Revolutionary War.
- **Old Business**
  - President Anderson reported that the Community Awards programs have been in place since our last meeting and encouraged any of us who have not signed up, to please do so. He stated that we are also set up with Amazon Smile. An information sheet providing our rewards numbers and sign up instructions for the three programs was passed out during the meeting and available on our website.
  - Compatriot Carter reported that we have renewed our advertisement in the National SAR Magazine which is published quarterly.
- **New Business** – No new business was discussed

**XIV. Announcements**

- The 2017 National Meeting will be in Nashville, TN. and the 2018 National Meeting will be in Houston.
- Various other announcements were provided on reverse side of the agenda.

**XV. Motion to Adjourn** was made by Compatriot Walton and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Compatriot Lee.

**XVI. President John Anderson** led the SAR Recessional / Closing Admonition.

**XVII.** Chaplain **Bob Wehr** gave the benediction.

**XVIII.** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:45 am.

**XIX. Attendance Summary:**

17 members and 5 guests were present for the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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