

TXSSAR Arlington Chapter No. 7
Southern Recipes Grill, Arlington, TX
Meeting Minutes for October 8, 2016

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

- I. Call to Order** – By Chapter President John Anderson at approximately 9:20 a.m.
- II. Invocation** – By Chaplain Bob Wehr
- III. Pledges** – Compatriot Ron Carter 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, 2011-2012; David Friels, 2013-2014.
- V. Guest Introductions by President Anderson** – Dwayne Garrison, Dan Hamilton, Allan Husch, Dave Lafuze, Dan Jones, Taylor Wolfe (new member), and Stacey Browning (Taylor's mother and our speaker).
- VI. Comment of the Day** – Presented by Compatriot Dick Lee
- VII. This Month during the American Revolution** – Historian Kevin Jorrey:
 - October 8, 1775 – Washington's General Officers meet at a Council of War in Cambridge, and agree that the new army shall consist of at least 20,372 men enlisted for one year.
 - October 13, 1775 – Congress authorizes the creation of a navy.
 - October 2, 1776 – Thomas Jefferson resigned his seat in Congress to return to Virginia to be a member of the new House of Delegates.
 - October 8, 1776 – Congress moved to enlist more soldiers for the duration of the war and urged each state to send a committee to the camps to appoint officers and encourage enlistments.
 - October 17, 1777 – Burgoyne surrenders. The American victory at Saratoga assures French aid to the American cause.
 - October 7, 1780 – Battle of Kings Mountain, South Carolina. Major Patrick Ferguson and 1100 Loyalists are defeated by 1400 frontiersmen led by Colonel William Campbell. Cornwallis is forced to abandon the North Carolina invasion.
 - October 3, 1781 – Skirmish at Glouster, Virginia, part of Yorktown Campaign. Thomas Dundas's British foraging party encounters French cavalry and British retreat.
 - October 19, 1781 – Cornwallis surrenders at Yorktown, Virginia.
- VIII. TX SAR Dist. 5 Vice President Ron Carter**
 - Ron recently attended the SAR National Leadership Council in Louisville where expanding SAR assistance to CAR was discussed. Ron presented the TXSSAR CAR Essay Contest to the Council as an example for greater involvement of CAR in National SAR activities.
 - TXSSAR Board of Managers (BOM) meeting is next weekend in Austin.
 - Dues notices are being mailed out to members and we should make our payment as soon as practicable.
 - President Anderson noted that the District 5 SAR Chapters unanimously endorsed the concept to pursue the inclusion of a new SAR Letter of Introduction to add to corresponding local DAR Chapter's new member packets (refer to DAR Liaison below). Likewise, a DAR letter could be placed in the corresponding local SAR chapter's new member packets. Ron and John agreed that they would promote the letters at the BOM meeting (see Old Business).
- IX. N. Texas Color Guard Report** - by Compatriot Jerry Cope
Future events where the Color Guard will participate and all SAR members are encouraged to attend include:

- October 23 – Present Colors for the “Organizing Meeting” of the Quanah Parker DAR Chapter of Mansfield. National DAR officers will be present. Additionally, Debbie Jorrey and Gloria Cope (wives of our Compatriots) will be inducted as Charter Members of the new Chapter.
 - November 11 – Veterans Day Parades at Fort Worth, Dallas, and Fairview, TX.
 - November 13 - Massing of the Colors at First Presbyterian Church, Fort Worth.
 - December 3 - Holiday Parade at Rockwall.
 - December 10 – TXSSAR President to visit Arlington Chapter, CG participation to be decided
 - December – Flag Ceremony for Dickens on the Strand Parade, Galveston, TX.
 - December 17 – Wreaths Across America at DFW National Cemetery.
 - January 11 – Flag Ceremony for N. American Beekeeping Conf., Galveston, TX.
 - February 18 - George Washington’s Birthday Parade, Laredo, TX.
- X. New Member Induction** – Charles Taylor Wolfe was inducted with President Anderson presiding. Taylor’s mother, a NSDAR member, pinned his rosette on his shirt. His Patriot is Thomas Gresham of Pittsylvania County Virginia. Taylor resides in Terrell, TX.
- XI. Program** – Stacey Browning, a 4th generation NSDAR member from Terrell, presented a very interesting program entitled “Revolutionary War Era Clocks”. Many of the clocks referenced in the program are on exhibit at the DAR Museum in Constitution Hall in Washington, DC. Stacy is presently a DAR member at large, but is in process of establishing a DAR Chapter for Kaufman County.
- XII. Military Service Recognition – President Anderson and Compatriot Dick Lee** presented Military Service Medals and Certificates to Compatriots Kevin Jorrey, Jerry Cope, and David Friels. Compatriot Lee was recognized in a prior year for his service in World War II.
- XIII. Chapter President’s Message, President Anderson**
- State Fair Table – Assistance is needed in manning the SAR table at the DAR house. Compatriot Anderson is coordinating our efforts, and we should contact one of him if interested. There will be morning and afternoon sessions. John noted that David Lafuze, one of our guests, learned of our Chapter when he visited the table.
 - The annual NSSAR sponsored trip will visit forts and grounds of the Saratoga Campaign and is described in the current issue of *The SAR Magazine*. Any interested member should discuss with him as he and his wife recommend and will probable attend.
 - SAR Anniversaries and members with October Birthdays were recognized.
 - Dues for 2017 are payable now. Dues through 2017 are included with the application fee for any new member who was approved after Labor Day.
- XIV. 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.
 - **Officer and Committee Reports:**
 - **Vice President Roger Wehr** – Roger has identified a local Law Enforcement Officer for recognition when deemed appropriate by the Chapter (refer to old business below).
 - **Secretary David Friels** – We received a \$12.08 check from Kroger for the Chapter’s share of their Rewards for the last quarter. A recent email indicated that when shopping at Tom Thumb we can earn gas rewards for participating Chevron and Texaco Stations. President Anderson noted that we presently are approved and participating in Community Rewards Programs sponsored by Kroger, Tom Thumb/Randalls and Amazon Smile.
 - **Treasurer Dennis Walton** – A full report of financial activities was provided. The October 8 total bottom line balance was \$2,449.95.

- **Registrar Kevin Jorrey**
Status of Applications: Dwayne Garrison's application is at State; Grady, Steven, and John Anderson's applications are at National; Ned Myers's Supplemental is at State; Lyndell Wallace (Wally) Penny's application is complete and ready to go to State; and Dan Hamilton is gathering death certificate documentation for his application. Applications for Jerry Cope (supplemental) and Dan Jones are in progress. Arlington #7 presently has 61 active members including newly inducted Compatriot Charles Taylor Wolfe.
- **Chaplain Bob Wehr** – Nothing to report
- **Sergeant At Arms Bill Covington** – Not present, refer to Speakers Bureau below
- **Youth Awards Programs**
President Anderson reported that we had no participants in the TX SAR Region 3 Oration Contest. The contest was moved up in time from the spring meeting to the fall BOM; and Compatriot Roger Wehr reported no Eagle Scout Awards Scheduled. President Anderson will present a short program for a Scout Troop in the Cross Timbers District.
- **DAR Liaison** - President Anderson is currently pursuing partnering with the DAR Lucretia Council Cochran Chapter to recognize an Arlington Policeman, Fireman and EMT serviceman 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 a SAR application(s) for the new DAR member's son or other eligible relatives. Likewise, we will insert a DAR letter of introduction supplied by a local DAR Chapter(s) in our new member packets.
- **Drop Box** – President Anderson reported that our drop box now has adequate capacity.
- **Speakers Bureau, Bill Covington Chair** – Bill was not present due to a presentation at the Flower Mound DAR. He did send a report of his Sept. presentations which included: Ellis County Genealogical Society, Waxahachie, TX, 9/5/16 "The Stamp Act in Colonial America"; and Colonial Dames XVII Century, Col. Cole Digges Chapter, Dallas, TX – "Bad Girls of the American Revolution".
Four presentations and one "Presenting of the Colors" are scheduled for October
- **Old Business**
 - Letters for DAR New Member Packet – see DAR Liaison above.
 - Police/ Firefighter/ EMT Award – see DAR Liaison above
 - Compatriot Roger Wehr has identified a Law Enforcement Officer that we should recognize and will get with President Anderson to set the date.
- **New Business**
 - 4th of July Parade – Arlington DAR Chapter is planning a float and our Chapter should joint venture with them. Compatriot Ray Wehr will be asked to be our Committee Chair. Compatriot Jerry Cope has a 16-foot, double axle trailer that we may be able to use.
 - Mansfield DAR Chapter needs our support for the October 23rd Organizing Meeting and yet to be identified future events (refer to announcements and Color Guard report).

XV. Announcements

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

XVI. Motion to Adjourn

XVII. Compatriot Ron Carter led the SAR Recessional / Closing Admonition.

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

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

XX. Attendance Summary:

14 members and 6 guests were present for the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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