



***Texas SAR Arlington Chapter
Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2021***

The November meeting was held at Southern Recipes Grill, 2715 N. Collins Street, Arlington, Texas. Members and guests gathered at 8:30 a.m. for fellowship and breakfast. The October meeting was not held due to a conflict with the TX B.O.M. Fall Meeting.

- I. President Pope welcomed attendees and opened the meeting for Chapter business at approximately 9:00 a.m.
- II. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the invocation.
- III. Sergeant-at-Arms Dan Hamilton led the pledges to the U.S. Flag, Texas Flag and the Sons of the American Revolution Flag.
- IV. President Pope recognized Past Chapter Presidents and greeted our guests.
- V. Compatriot Dick Lee thanked all the veterans and then told a humorous story of a hypnotist with a magic watch in an old folk's home.
- VI. Inductions: President Pope called for the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort the inductees and their families to the front. Our Chapter's newest Compatriots included: Bill Goodwin, Bradlyn Cole and his son Alexander Cole (Jr. Member). Compatriot's two younger sons are also approved Jr. Members but were not in attendance. Additionally, Compatriot James Gibson was presented with a star for his 5th Supplemental.
- VII. Awards: The Liberty Medal certificate and Oak Leaf was presented to Compatriot Kevin Jorrey by the SAR recognizing his service in sponsoring new members during his several years as Chapter Registrar.
- VIII. Condolences were expressed for the family and friends of Compatriot Donald W. Boyd whose funeral service was held on November 5, 2021.
- IX. President Pope recognized all our veterans present by asking them to stand and tell the Chapter about their service. Veterans present included: Bob Wehr - Coast Guard; Kevin Jorrey, Dick Lee, Bill Goodman – Navy; Rod Ashford, Roger Cobb – Army; and Richard Martin, David Friels, Ron Carter – Air Force.
- X. Officer and Committee Reports
 - A. Treasure Richard Coffee reported on the debits and credits and revised bottom line balance (BLB) to our account. The BLB increased approximately \$78 for the period of September 6 to November 7 due to income deposits from Kroger and TXSSAR.
 - B. Secretary Friels reminded the Chapter that the minutes from the September meeting as well as the minutes for the August 31 B.O.M. meeting have been posted on the chapter website. The floor was opened for comments on the minutes. There being no comments, Compatriot Anderson moved that the minutes be accepted as posted and the motion was seconded by Compatriot Hamilton and approved.
 - C. TXSSAR/NSSAR Information reported by Compatriot John Anderson:
 - Invoices for the 2022 dues have been mailed from the State and should have been received by now. The post office is having problems with approximately 10% of the pre-addressed envelopes so if anyone has their payment returned, the options is to re-mail with a new envelope addressed to the same address, pay online, or give your payment to Compatriot Anderson for transmittal.
 - The Texas SAR website has been updated to include online training programs and frequently ask questions. Membership is encouraged to contact Compatriot Anderson with any questions we recommend adding to the "frequent ask" listing.

- The Texas Compatriot news letter has been posted on the Texas SAR public website under the “about us” tab.
- The Texas SAR policy on furnishing and distributing ROTC/JROTC medals has been changed. Commencing 2022 Chapters will order the medals they need from the National SAR Store, and the Texas SAR will reimburse the chapters.
- TSSAR proposed redistricting with Texas to be a single state district; however, the proposal failed. Currently, Texas is one of five states in our district.
- There is or shortly will be two new Texas SAR chapters: Atlanta, Cass County, will have a new chapter numbered 68 and named Ark-La-Tex, and the Waco Chapter will be renamed as Peter Sides, No. 69.
- As State Historian, Compatriot Anderson reported that our 2019 Chapter Video won first place and he has a certificate for the Chapter.
- The Piney Woods scrap book, which won first place for chapters in our size group (50 to 100 members) was passed around for information and a request was made for a member to step up to head a Scrap Book Committee.
- Other news: Texas has a large presence at the national level, and won several NSSAR recognitions, including outstanding JROTC candidate.
- Compatriot Anderson has a few SAR bumper stickers available.
- Compatriot Ron Carter stated that he will soon resign from the State Veterans Committee and requested that a member consider volunteering to take his place. Among other things the Veterans Committee works with Ancestry to assist wounded veterans with their genealogy and provide genealogy tool kits for wounded veterans.

D. Registrar John Anderson reported:

- At the beginning of the year our Chapter had 77 active paid members and we now have 76 active paid members and 9 junior members.
- Twelve new members’ applications and three supplementals have been approved this year.
- There are four new applications and one supplemental in works.

E. Chaplain’s Report: No report

F. Historian’s Report: No report.

G. Sergeant-at-Arms Dan Hamilton reminded the Chapter that he has Chapter coffee mugs, challenge coins, and lapel pins for sale.

H. Chapter Color Guard Commander Dan Hamilton reported the following:

- October 5 & 6 – he served at DAR house, TX State Fair and handed out copies of the Declaration of Independence.
- October 16 – he presented a program to the Dallas SAR Chapter during their monthly meeting – “The Musket vs. the Long Rifle”.
- October 29 - he presented a program on the Declaration of Independence to three of Mr. Lindsey’s 8th grade history classes at the Jerry Knight STEM Academy, Mansfield. Dan also left brochures for the Essay Contest.

Compatriot Anderson suggested that the Chapter recognize Mr. Lindsey with an appropriate SAR certificate.

I. DAR Liaison Report: Compatriots Anderson, Will Deakyne, and David Friels attended the Quanah Parker DAR Chapter meeting on October 16. Compatriot Anderson recognized Karen McDivit for achieving the Martha Washington Medal and Certificate for recommending 4 SAR members. Compatriot Anderson also recognized the other DAR members who had previously been presented the Medal. John also told about the NSSAR program for awarding the Martha Washington Medal and that Texas DAR won the NSSAR award for the most DAR referrals.

- J. C.A.R. Activity: Compatriots John Anderson and David Friels attended the Three Forks of the Trinity C.A.R. Chapter, and Compatriot Anderson presented the Past President, Riley Greene with a SAR-C.A.R. Certificate of Appreciation. Also, an informal discussion was held with the senior leaders regarding the potential of a joint meeting where some of the C.A.R. members would attend one of our Chapter meetings. Perhaps they could participate by leading the pledges and sell pins. The C.A.R. leaders and our Chapter were in general agreement that we proceed with the joint meeting plan for next year.
- K. Speakers Bureau Report: Chairman Bill Covington had reported the following presentations:
- September 15 – San Antonio DAR Chapter – “Religion and Churches in the Colonies during the American Revolution”.
 - October 9 – Highland Park DAR Chapter, Dallas, TX – “Bad Girls of the American Revolution”.
 - October 16 – Bee Cave, TX, Patrick Henry Chapter SAR and Nathaniel Maxwell Chapter C.A.R. – “Pint –sized Patriots of the American Revolution”.
 - October – various school groups, Old Fort Parker, Mexia, TX., Fall Colonial Muster for the 18th Century Society of Texas.
- L. ROTC/JROTC Report: Chapter Liaison David Friels had no activity to report; however, he discussed the plan for at least a member to “adopt” one of the ten units we give awards. Two units have been adopted already. The Compatriot would then serve as point of contact for that unit and make the medal presentation each year. In the case of a conflict on the date of the Awards Ceremony, one of our back-up Compatriots would present the medal. Plans are to prepare and mail a letter promoting the JROTC Enhanced Program to each of the JROTC Senior Commanders.
- XI. Ongoing Chapter Business – Past, Present and Future
- A. Revisions to Chapter Bylaws have been approved by Sate and an official copy of revised Constitution and Bylaws is being circulated for signature by the various officers.
- XI. New Business
- A. The National Medal of Honor Museum ground breaking will be held in early 2022 and it is hoped our SAR Chapter will be well represented.
- XII. The meeting was adjourned after a motion by President Pope, 2nd by Compatriot Gibson, and approval by the members present.
- XIII. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the Closing Benediction.
- XIV. Sergeant-at-Arms Dan Hamilton led the SAR Closing Admonition.
- XV. The next Chapter Meeting will be held on December 11, 2021, at Southern Recipes Grill, 2715 N. Collins St., Arlington, TX. Meet for breakfast from the menu at 8:30 a.m. with the Chapter meeting commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Attendance: 20 Chapter members and 4 guests

Respectfully Submitted, David Friels, Secretary

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