



**Texas SAR Arlington Chapter
Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2022**

The September 10, 2022, 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.

- I. President Dan Hamilton 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 Richard Martin led the pledges to the U.S. Flag, Texas Flag, and the Sons of the American Revolution Flag.
- IV. President Hamilton recognized Past Chapter Presidents and greeted our prospective members and other guests.
- V. President Hamilton presented Service Certificates and Pins to the following Compatriots: Glen Foster – 5 years, Marshal Cope – 5 years, and Dick Lee – 10 years. Compatriot Richard Martin received a star for an approved Supplemental. Compatriots Mike Fairchild and Richard Coffey were each awarded a certificate and symbolic white feather for participating in their first Color Guard event.
- VI. President Hamilton inducted the following Compatriots: Wayne Saunders, Chris Saunders, and Jonathan Saunders. Wyatt Saunders' application has been approved and he will be inducted at a later date.
- VII. Comment of the Day: Compatriot Dick Lee talked about his wife being interred, as he would be also, at the DFW Cemetery and how meaningful Wreaths Across America and other acknowledgements of our veterans are. He spoke of how he and other veterans were able to watch a Texas Ranger Game from a private donor's box seats. In conclusion, Compatriot Lee handed out to all attendees patriotic/ Christian lapel pins provided by the 1687 Foundation.
- VIII. Officer and Committee Reports:
 - A. Treasure Richard Coffey provided an update on our bank account bottom line balance (BLB). Since our August meeting the BLB had a net decrease of \$284.7 which included two checks to reimburse Compatriots Anderson and Kohn for personal expenses to support Chapter Operations (i.e. purchase of service pins and postage).
 - B. Secretary – Compatriot David Friels reminded the Chapter that the minutes from the August meeting has 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, the motion was seconded by Compatriot Friels, and approved by the Chapter.
 - C. State Activities reported by Compatriot John Anderson:
 - SAR applications dated or later 1/1/2012 and DAR applications dated 1/1/1985 or later are accepted without further investigation for support of current applications.
 - The TXSSAR Fall BOM will be Oct. 21 - 23 at the Hilton Grand Park in Frisco located on Hwy 121 near the Texas Star facility.
 - The TXSSAR 2023 Annual Spring Convention will be held in The Woodlands, just north of Houston on I-45.
 - The Texas SAR Archives/History/Yearbook committee will meet Tuesday, September 27 at 7 pm via ZOOM. There are several history related projects going on statewide. Contact Compatriot Anderson if interested.

- D. Membership Chair Compatriot John Anderson reported:
- The Arlington Chapter New Member Manual is now available on our Chapter website. Printed copies are available to pick up here at the meeting, and will be included with new member inductions.
 - We ended 2021 with 67 members including 8 Jr. members.
 - As of June 22, 2022, we have 77 active paid members; an increase of 10 members. The membership breakdown is 69 active voting members, and 8 junior members. *(Ten members and four junior members are non-paid; therefore, not active).*
 - Ten new members have been approved this year, and 6 have been inducted (3 on May 14 and 3 today). Remaining inductions are pending receipt of packets or scheduling.
- E. Vietnam Veteran Recognition: A lapel pin was awarded to Compatriot Bill Goodman, and a special widow's pin was presented to Gloria Cope.
- F. Registrar Report: Compatriots Joe Kohn and John Anderson reported:
- 10 New Member Applications have been approved YTD, and several applications are in progress
 - 3 Supplemental Applications have been approved YTD, and several more are in progress
- G. DAR/C.A.R. Liaison Report by Compatriot Anderson:
- Lucretia Council Cochran DAR chapter invites us to post their color on Oct. 5
 - Lucretia Council Cochran DAR chapter will join our meeting on Oct. 8
 - Wreaths Across America will be on December 17 throughout our Country. More information will follow as we get closer to the date.
- H. Web Administrator's Report: Compatriot Anderson requested that all Compatriots complete their Patriot's biography if they have not done so.
- I. Chaplain Bob Wehr had no additional information to report.
- J. Sergeant-at-Arms Richard Martin had no additional information to report.
- K. Chapter Color Guard Commander Dan Hamilton reported:
August 19 the Arlington chapter provided a Color Guard consisting of Mike Fairchild, Richard Coffey, and Dan Hamilton along with Bobby Gresham from Fort Worth for a Lucretia Council Cochran Chapter DAR "Never Forget" Garden dedication at Wade Funeral Home on Pioneer Parkway in Arlington. This was the first event for new Chapter Color Guard members Fairchild and Coffey.
- L. Speakers Bureau Report: Chairman Bill Covington is traveling, but has reported the following presentations.
- June 11, 2022, Georgetown, TX, Alexander Hamilton Chapter, NSSAR "Bad Girls of the American Revolution"
 - June 16, 2022, McKinney, TX, McKinney Chapter, NSSAR, "Bad Girls of the American Revolution"
 - June 17, 2022, Richardson, TX, Highland Springs Retirement Center - "Men's Breakfast Group", "The May 10, 1775 Patriot Attack on Fort Ticonderoga"
 - July 9, 2022, Dallas, TX, Dallas SAR, "The January 1776 Background to the Declaration of Independence"
 - July 11, 2022, Plano, TX, Susannah Baggers Bibb Chapter, NSDAR, "The Pint-sized Patriots of the American Revolution"
 - July 18, 2022, Wilmore, KY, Wesley Village Senior Community Center, "The Smallpox Epidemic during the American Revolution" and "The 18th Century Origins of the Current Russo-Ukrainian Conflict"
 - July 26, 2022, Silver Bay, NY, "Lecture Series" - Silver Bay YMCA Camp, "Bad Girls of the American Revolution"
 - July 28, 2022, Lake George, NY, Fort George Historic Site, "The History of Fort George"
- M. ROTC/JROTC Report: Chapter Liaison David Friels had no report.

- IX. Chapter Business – Past, Present and Future
 - The Chapter needs a volunteer to Chair the Veterans Committee.
- X. The meeting was adjourned after a motion by President Hamilton that was seconded and approved by the members present.
- XI. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the Closing Benediction.
- XII. Sergeant-at-Arms Richard Martin led the SAR Closing Admonition.
- XIII. The next Chapter Meeting will be held on October 8, 2022, 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: 21 Chapter members and 8 guests

Respectfully Submitted, David Friels, Acting Secretary

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