



The MINUTEMAN



Dallas Chapter

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Texas Society - Sons of the American Revolution

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Ventana by Buckner South Tower, Grand Hall

8301 N US 75-Central Expressway - Dallas, TX 75225

Breakfast – 8:00am

Meeting – 9:00am

PRESIDENT

Brent Harshman

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Tom Manning

TRUSTEES

*Gary Sisson
David Temple*

COLOR GUARD COMMANDER

Bill Watts





AGENDA

Call to Order – President Harshman

Rules of Engagement –

This meeting is being filmed and recorded. By joining this in-person or virtual meeting of the Dallas Chapter of the TXSSAR, you acknowledge and agree that these proceedings may be made public.

Invocation – Harshman

Pledges

American Flag – Tom Milson
Texas Flag – Tom Van Fossen
SAR – All

Mission Statement –

The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our Country.

Welcome –

We want to welcome the Dallas Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services to this special awards ceremony. We can't thank you enough – Welcome to our chapter.

We want to welcome our former State President David Temple and Bob Clark, visitors from Edmund Terrell, East Fork Trinity, Denton, Plano, and McKinney Chapters. Tom Van Fossen, District 6 VP, Tom Milson, District 11 VP, Mark Hanson, former State Chancellor, and Mark Harrison, State Americanism and Youth Contests Vice Chairman.

1st Responder Awards – 1st Vice President Tom Van Fossen

2024 DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT Award Honorees

Officer Tarviant Campbell #8306

Officer Tarviant Campbell is not here today. Sherie Comia will accept the Hero Commendation & Medal for Officer Campbell



Officer Daniel Arrivillaga #10202 | SAR Life Saving Medal



Sr. Corporal Donovan Kuhlmann #7617 | Law Enforcement Commendation & Medal

2024 DALLAS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES Award Honorees

Fire Rescue Officer/Paramedic Charlie Rickerson | Hero Commendation & Medal



Lieutenant Jamie George | Fire Safety Commendation & Medal

Driver Engineer/Paramedic Cesar Atilano | EMS Commendation & Medal





Fire Rescue Officer/Paramedic Joshua Sharff | SAR Life Saving Medal



2024 DALLAS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES



2024 DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

There was a special drawing for door prizes – Police and Fire Department only!



Police and Fire Drawing Winners!

Featured Speaker

Randall Bush, Secretary, SAR Plano Chapter



The Whisky Rebellion

The United States needed money and the only way for a government to obtain money was to tax something. Whisky was the chosen product by the American consumer over rum. Therefore, a “Whiskey Tax” was imposed. A tax protest began 1791 – 1794 during the presidency of George Washington.



Washington headed an army to suppress the men who took up arms against the Federal Government. This action demonstrated that the government had the will and ability to suppress violent reactions to its laws. The whiskey tax was repealed later.

New Member – Timothy Chapman – John Fitzgerald

Member Anniversaries

Bill Watts | 10 years

Robert Keever | 20 years

Robert Ewing | 25 years

Russell Ewing | 25 years

Todd Frary | 25 years

Tom Dees III | 30 years

James McKellar | 30 years

Michael McGuyer | 35 years

David Byrd III | 40 years

Donald Hawkes | 40 years

John Thomas | 40 years



Committee Opportunities Available at the Dallas Chapter

- ▶ Public Relations & Publicity
- ▶ Community Service Awards
- ▶ Member Recruitment & Retention
- ▶ CAR Liaison
- ▶ DAR Liaison
- ▶ Annual Audit
- ▶ American History Teacher
- ▶ Web and Social Media
- ▶ Color Guard Members
- ▶ Brochure Contest (MS)
- ▶ CAR Essay Contest
- ▶ Eagle Scout Essay Contest
- ▶ Knight Essay Contest (HS)
- ▶ Oration Contest (HS)
- ▶ Poster Contest (Elem)
- ▶ Speaker's Bureau
- ▶ Greeters

Please contact one of your chapter officers for more information.

OFFICERS REPORTS

Secretary – Watts Motion for approval Van Fossen second was Sisson approved by all

On This Date In History

<https://www.revolutionary-war-and-beyond.com/on-this-day-in-history.html>

Treasurer – Harper

Financials – available at the back of the room

Registrar – Morgan

In Progress at Chapter — 26
At National for Review — 8
(0 Regular, 8 Supplemental, 0 Memorial)
Approved — 4
Closed — 13

We have a total of 51 Applications

Total Active Members 252

New Members Approved — 3
Memorial Applications Approved — 0
Supplemental Applications Approved — 1
Total 4

New Member Inductions YTD — 2
New Members Inducted Today — 1
New Members to be Inducted — 3
Total 6

Historian – Tom Manning

Send pictures of events for future yearbooks to:

Tom Manning tommanning.sar@gmail.com

When submitting photos, please identify the event, the date, and the location.

Color Guard – Commander Watts Chapter Activities for February and March 2024

February 17, 2024 Saturday – George Washington Birthday Parade Laredo

February Plano Symphony Children’s
Concerts

February 2, 2024 Wednesday – Ray Hargis
Funeral



2024 February 21st Ray Hargis Funeral Service

Tracy Pounders, Bill Watts, Randal van Heyst, Michael Petridis
Brent Harshman, Gary Barker and Gary Sisson



2024 Freedom Foundation

George Washington Birthday Celebration
Bill Watts, Gary Barker, Brent Harshman
Tom Van Fossen and Michael Goode

February 27, 2024 Tuesday – Freedom
Foundation George Washington Birthday
Celebration

New for March

March 19, 2024 Tuesday - Plano Symphony Children’s Concerts Color Guard presents and post the Colors Robinson Fine Arts Center Located at 1800 Alma Road in Plano. First day we only have one concert at 11:30, please arrive at 10:30

March 20, 2024 Wednesday - Plano Symphony Children’s Concerts Color Guard presents and post the Colors Robinson Fine Arts Center Located at 1800 Alma Road in Plano. Concerts are at 10 and 11:30

March 21, 2024 Thursday - Plano Symphony Children’s Concerts Color Guard presents and post the Colors Robinson Fine Arts Center Located at 1800 Alma Road in Plano. Concerts are at 10 and 11:30

March 22, 2024 Friday - Plano Symphony Children’s Concerts Color Guard presents and post the Colors Robinson Fine Arts Center Located at 1800 Alma Road in Plano. Concerts are at 10 and 11:30

April 10, 2024 Wednesday - Patriots Day at Providence Christian School 9 am 5002 West Lovers Lane muster 8:20 am

April 11 – 14 Thursday – Sunday – TXSSAR Conference Double Tree 611 NW Loop 410, San Antonio

April 27, 2024 Saturday – Medal of Honor Parade Muster 9:30 am Gainesville, Texas

May 18, 2024 Saturday – Joseph Ligon DAR 110 year Anniversary

June 14, 2024 Friday – Flag Day at Ventana muster at 10:30 am.

OLD BUSINESS –

Our next meeting date has changed from the 2nd Saturday to the 1st Saturday of April because of our annual State Meeting in San Antonio. We will have President-Elect Tracy Pounders as our speaker. Philip Boyd the Development Director for the SAR Foundation will be here to talk about opportunities for the Dallas Chapter.

2024 ANNUAL MEETING TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



SAVE THE DATE!

**APRIL 11TH – APRIL 14TH 2024
IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

**DOUBLETREE BY HILTON – SAN ANTONIO AIRPORT
611 NW LOOP 410, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216**

NEW BUSINESS –

Poster Contest – Please take time to judge the 5th grade posters in the back of the room.



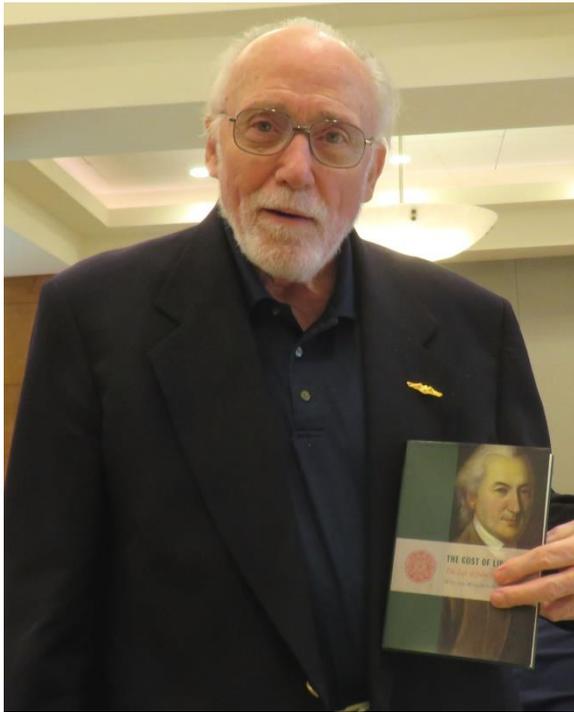
Liberty Lives In the Lone Star State T-Shirt

Presented by the Arlington Chapter \$20 Each

Email to Dan Hamilton to order—

Designate size (S – M – L - XL) and to arrange for payment

maverick73@swbell.net



DOOR PRIZE

Winners



Connect

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BENEDICTION – Harshman

SAR RECEPTIONAL – All

NEXT MEETING IS SATURDAY April 6th
@ 9:00 AM

Tracy Pounders President-Elect Texas SAR
Philip Boyd Development Director, SAR Foundation

Respectfully submitted,
William B. Watts, Secretary

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