

# April 09 Meeting

Our guest speaker is Richard Stanford. His topic will be "Greenbacks: The banking system from the American Revolution through the Civil War.

For future program suggestions, please feel free to call 2005, 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Tom Smith at 214-691-8023.

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Registrar's Report: (Mel McCoy) Membership: Last Meeting: Guests:	273 31 09
Treasurer's <u>Report:</u> (Allen Christian) Checking & Cash: Minuteman Fund: Ritchie Fund:	\$270.25 \$8,303.17 \$27,055.93

The MINUTEMAN

Dallas Chapter TXSSAR Founded July 4, 1929 April 2005

# The Bottom Line\_



by Tom Whitelock, President, Dallas Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution

On April 9th, 1776, the Continental Congress sent \$200,000.00 to New York to establish the Continental Line. About the same time this year, we will receive our yearly dues allotment from the State Society. This monetary amount normally will carry the chapter through twelve months and provide sufficient funding for our many patriotic causes and community services.

However, only in America, land of the free (credit reports) and home of the brave (lotto players), are we constantly faced with continually watching our financial "bottom line." Stretching the almighty holographic dollar and gathering new State quarters wherever we can helps our operational activities to continue along the well beaten path of tradition.

No, I'm not leading up to asking for donations by passing around Compatriot **Rick Fawkes'** "Tricorn" hat, nor am I making another appeal to your volunteering for the various understaffed committees, although God knows we need both. No, my fellow Chapter members, what I am implying is that current increased costs and time restraints on personnel have caused us to consider cutting back on a few things in order to assure our major programs are provided for in 2005. One such area is the publishing of the newsletter on a bi- or tri-monthly basis which will provide a substantial savings and allow the editorial staff an ease of responsibility.

This is not to say that we won't endeavor to recover to our former production level — only that we need to look carefully at our bottom line for awhile and be very creative in our fiscal policy as we initiate a campaign for assistance. Needless to say, you will be kept informed and as always, I welcome your comments and counsel.

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Meetings are held on the Second Saturday of each month at **Crowne Plaza Suites**, 7800 Alpha Road in Dallas, near LBJ & Coit Road. Coffee served with fellowship at 7:30, breakfast at 8:00, meeting from 8:30 'til 9:45. Guests are welcome.

## DALLAS CHAPTER NEWS



Clockwise from upper-left: At the March Meeting, TXSSAR President **Dr. James Heath**, with compatriot **Mike Mckinney** as witness, presented **Miss Erica Lastufka** with an award for her winning oration which described the role of Chaplains during the American Revolution. **Mike McKinney**, the Dallas Chapter Rumbaugh Oration Contest Chairman congratulates **Miss Erica Lastufka** for her success. **Dr. James Heath** administered the pledge of membership to new Compatriot **Cole Youngman**. Cole's father, **Craig Youngman**, looks on with pride. **Cole** was then congratulated by sponsor **Ralph McDowell**. Compatriot **Wayne Wende** was recently elected Texas State President of the Children of the American Revolution. Registrar, Compatriot **Mel McCoy** presented a supplemental membership to Compatriot **Robert Stewart Smith**.



t the March meeting, **Dr. James Heath** (left), new TXSSAR President, spoke on the state of medicine during the American Revolution.

Right: 1st Vice President, Compatriot **Tom Smith** presented guest speaker, **Dr. James Heath**, with a Liberty Bell.



To see these pictures in brilliant color, check out our Chapter Website at http://sardallas.org While you are there, you can get lots of other useful information. There are links to Chapter Minutes, to the DAR, CAR and other organizations of interest, Chapter Officers, Minuteman Newsletter archives, and lots of other good info.



Compatriot **J. Mark Hanson**, pictured at left, will serve as this year's Essay Contest Chairman. Mark is a past Dallas Chapter President and is currently serving as the TXSSAR Chancellor.

Mark is a trial attorney with the firm of Vial, Hamilton, Koch & Knox. His patriot ancestor, **William Young**, served as a sergeant in Colonel John Green's Company of Foot, 6th Virginia Regiment, formerly known as Captain Thomas Black-well's Company of Foot, 10th Virginia Regiment. He was appointed 19 January 1777 and his name remained on the rolls until November 1779.

#### "WANTED" MORE THAN A FEW GOOD MEN

The chapter still needs committee members and Chairmen to serve during 2005 for the following activities:

- \* Eagle Scout Awards
- \* DAR-CAR Joint Meeting
- \* Flag Certificates Program
- \* Essay Contest Committeemen
- \* Law Enforcement & Firefighters Awards
- \* Ladies Night Dinner Meeting
- \* Public Relations & Promotion Committee
- \* 2006 National Congress "Welcome Pre-planning"
- \* Sergeant-at-Arms
- \* Newsletter Editor
- \* Long Term Planning Committee/ Finance & Investment Operations
- \* Membership Committee

Please contact President Tom Whitelock to sign up YOU WILL BE REWARDED

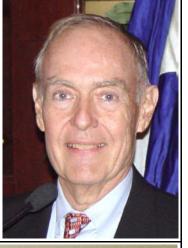
The display (shown at right) illustrates the awards won by the Dallas Chapter of the Son's of the American Revolution at the 2004 TXSSAR state convention. The awards are impressive.

Compatriot Tom Smith (right) was awarded certificates for two supplemental ancestors, patriot Nehemiah Stebbins, the elder, and patriot Timothy Delavan.

How about YOU!

Got another patriot

in your history?





W elcome the Troops! There is a daily arrival of troops on R&R from Iraq at DFW Terminal B, Gate 39. The Dallas Chapter will greet the troops on Tuesday, April 26th. Call 972-574-0392 after 5 p.m. Monday to learn the next-day arrival time. We need <u>you</u> to give them a rousing welcome!

#### Americanism Trivia Quiz (Winner will be announced April 9)

1. George Washington's favorite horse during the American Revolutionary War was named "Nelson."

2. John Quincy Adams used to swim nude in the Potomac River almost every day.

3. Presidents Thomas Jefferson and John Adams were among the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

4. George Washington was a major producer of Whiskey. At Mount Vernon, he produced more than 11,000 gallons.

5. Ice cream was a new sensation during James Madison's administration. Dolly Madison's favorite flavor was oyster.

6. Following their famous expedition to explore the Louisiana Purchase, Lewis and Clark brought back and presented two bear cubs to President Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson kept them in a cage at the white house.



During the March Meeting, President **Tom** Whitelock provided each attending member with the name of a

missing Dallas Chapter compatriot. Each attending compatriot was asked to contact that missing member and encourage their continued participation in the chapter. President **Whitelock** asked every member, both active and inactive, to continue honoring our patriot forefathers who served faithfully during the American Revolution by displaying renewed commitment..

### Inside: The Bottom Line

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Date	Time	Event	Place
Apr. 9	8:00 a.m.	Monthly Meeting of Dallas Chapter. Speaker will be Compatriot Richard Stan- ford. "Greenbacks: Bank- ing Systems from the Revolution to the Civil War"	Crowne Plaza Suites; 7800 Alpha Road
May 14	8:00 a.m.	Monthly Meeting of Dallas Chapter. Compatriot Lloyd Bockstruck will speak.	Crowne Plaza Suites; 7800 Alpha Road