



**THE**  
**MARCH 9, 2019**  
 News & Minutes of Dallas Chapter  
 Texas Society - Sons of the American Revolution  
 Chapter Chartered July 4, 1929



# MINUTEMAN

## Our Annual “Community Service Awards” Ceremony and Meeting



President **Van Fossen** gavelled the annual **RED \* WHITE \* BLUE** meeting to order at 8:30am and asked 1<sup>st</sup> VP **Harrison** to step in as “Chaplain for the Day” to offer an *Invocation*. T2 next asked all to join him in the pledge to the United States Flag. Compatriot **Mark Howell** led all in the *Affirmation to SAR* followed by **Warren Johnson** (candidate for the City Council), to serve as “song master” - getting us through the first stanza of *America*. Membership head greeter FCP **Ralph McDowell** acknowledged that he had assistance from 2VP **Alan Prather** in welcoming all the First responders & other guests. Ralph called forward John Morton and the Secretary to serenade March’s birthday celebrates:

(Drake Peddie and Judy Van Fossen) >>

FCP Tom Smith

The First Responder’s awards started with  
 <DPD Supv. Jim Spaulding presenting the  
*SAR Medal of Heroism*  
 to  
**Detective**  
**Scott Bazan** >



*Dallas Website:*  
[txssar.org/dallas](http://txssar.org/dallas)



<Maj. Catrina Shead has attended our ceremonies during the last three years to present the *SAR Enforcement Commendation Medal* to an outstanding Officer from her division. This year, the honor was bestowed on (car-trap specialist) **Officer Tyler Remediz** >



Major Shead also received a “FLAG Certificate” on behalf of the Police Department.



For a number of years, Administrative Specialist <**Sheree Salter**, with the Dallas Police Department has assisted us in the yearly selection of outstanding Officers or Detectives to be recognized by our SAR Chapter -thus well over due for receiving a *Certificate of Appreciation*.

Another such like *Certificate of Appreciation* was awarded to Dallas Fire Department Public Information Officer **Jason Evans** (who being unable to attend the meeting) by presentation to Deputy Chief **Jeff Wallis** > on Jason’s behalf. DC Wallis also received a Flag Cert.



## ***SPECIAL REMINDER***

***-that our guest speaker April 13th***

***will be our very own Compatriot Chapter Member and current***

***TXSSAR President-Elect David Temple\****

***ya’ll come***

***\*He’ll actually be the “Head Honcho” by then, be ready to kiss the RING.***

Next award to be presented was the *SAR Emergency Medical Services Award*



by ^Lt. Cory Glanton to **Fire Rescue Officer - Darrin Henderson** ^.



^ **Lt. Timothy Dickey** received the *SAR Fire Safety Commendation Medal* from Captain Chad Smith ^

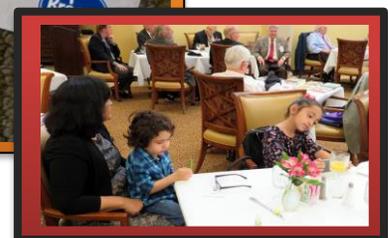
Our fifth community service award was the *SAR DFD Heroism Medal & Certificate* presented to **Lt. Patricia A. Kraft** >



by Deputy Chief Jeff Wallis



*Other Officers, associates and family members who attended the ceremony to support the honorees, were given special thank you gift cards by the Chapter Secretary.*





The SAR – DAR Certificate and Medal of Appreciation was then awarded to **Mrs. Bradley Sue Howell** for her continual service and joint liaison reports (along with **Nick Harper**) on 2018 activities of the CAR Society.

<Mark Harrison, Mrs. Howell & T2

In very grateful appreciation for her highly effective technical and most efficient “eleventh hour” reports service, the Chapter awarded **Judy Van Fossen**> the famous **I SAVED YOUR BACON** certificate.



## Officers & Chairmen Reports-----

**President** – He outlined his goals for the remainder of the year – which included working with an “Advisory Board” to develop progressive membership activities and plans for celebrating our Chapter’s 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. **1<sup>st</sup> V.P.**- Reminder that next month’s guest speaker will be the new TXSSAR President, **David Temple**. **2<sup>nd</sup> V.P.** – Asked Compatriots to please volunteer to make presentations of JROTC Medals and Outstanding Citizenship Certificates at High Schools  
**Secretary** – Feb. minutes were approved as posted on the website and distributed. **Treasurer** – Financial statements were handed out to all Compatriots as they signed in.

## Three new members inducted into Dallas Chapter

**Registrar Jerry Pinkerton** reported that of the 59 inquires about obtaining membership in SAR (since October 2018), he currently has 2 applications at National, 2 at State, 2 approved awaiting return to Chapter, 33 still in progress (being worked on) and 20 who have not replied his initial contact with them.

However, the following new Compatriots (left to right) have qualified and were inducted by President **Van Fossen**.

**Kirby Tassos**

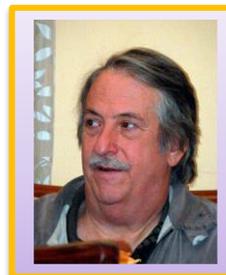
His Patriot-Thomas Ames/VA

**Ray Fox**

Patriot-Fredrick Fox/PA

**Russell Windle**

Patriot-Benjamin Pendleton/VA



All three promised to be active members

.....AND TO PAY THEIR DUES ON TIME

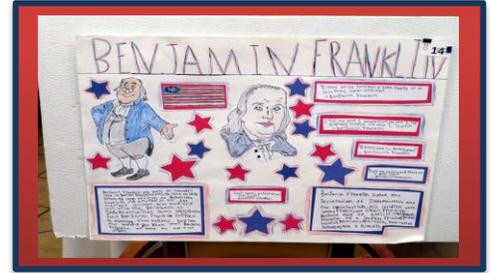
**Membership-** **Ralph McDowell** turned a recent REBATE check for \$26 from Kroger over to the Treasurer and also noted that over the years, the Chapter has recognized various members who had been very active and could no longer afford to pay their dues because of illness -etc. He presented a motion that we pay this year's fee on behalf of **James (Jack) Martin** (motion approved by second and voice vote). **Color Guard** – Commander **Kittrell** stated that he hoped all CG members would participate in the JROTC and/or Citizenship presentations during April and May. Robert also reported on up coming events:

**TXSSAR Conf.-4/3-6, Providence Academy-4/10, MOH Parade-4/13, Ennis Parade-5/25**

**Poster Contest**-Chapter winner this year is *Adam Martel* of Cullins Lake Pointe Elementary >

and our **American History Teacher** – *Shareefah Mason* has already won the TXSSAR contest and is scheduled to compete at the NSSAR Congress later this year.

**Veterans Affairs-** **John Morton** concluded his report by listing the various items most needed by service men & women patients at the VA Hospital.



**New Business** - State Secretary, **Drake Peddie** invited all Compatriots to attend the State Conference in Austin April 4-7 and reminded that our Compatriot FCP **Robert Kittrell** has been selected to receive the high honor *Patriot Medal* at the meeting.

President Van Fossen conducted the drawing for door prizes followed by Chaplain **Frank Pounders** offering the *Benediction* and all reciting the SAR Recessional.

Meeting adjourned at 9:57am.

*Respectfully submitted by* TOM WHITELOCK



## *Other March Events . . .*



<Pres. Van Fossen visited with **Museum of the American Revolution** VP *Claudia Stowers* while T1 > hooked up with other museum personnel



*Tyler Putman* >  
Gallery Education  
Manager at **MAR**

