Sons of the American Revolution
East Fork-Trinity Chapter No. 47
Texas Society

Chapter Mailing Address:
East Fork Trinity SAR
3330 N. Galloway Ave., Suite 304-37
Mesquite, TX 75150

Meeting Minutes for: Nov 12, 2026
Meeting Location: Soulman's Bar-B-Que, 691 I-30 Rockwall, Texas
Attendees: (See signup sheet)

Meeting Called to Order by President Jason Gray at: 6:59p.m.

Invocation – Walt Thomas

Pledge to the American Flag – Logan Derryberry
Pledge to the Texas Flag – David Routh
Affirmation to the SAR – Paul Ridenour
SAR Mission Statement – Bob Kubin

Welcome and Introduction of Guests – Jason Gray

Program – This month's program was presented by Mr James Owsley and entitled "The Common Soldier in the American Revolution". Mr Owsley is an educator. He holds advanced degrees in Education and Political Science. He is also a SAR member. The presentation was very informative and focused on the various hardships that the common soldier endured during the Revolutionary War. A certificate of appreciation was presented to Mr. Owsley for his presentation.

Approval of Minutes - Approval of the Amended Minutes for the October 8th Meeting by the Secretary on October 12, 2026
Motion to accept made by Randal van Heyst
Seconded by Bob Kubin
Motion passed unanimously.

Vote on the Proposed Amended Constitution and By-Laws to include a Second Vice-President - President Jason Gray outlined the proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws to include an additional office of Second Vice-President whose responsibilities would be the procurement and distribution of all medals and awards and also to serve as First Vice-President in the event the First Vice-President is serving as acting President.

Other proposed changes included removing the position of Eagle Scout Coordinator as this has never been followed and was deemed not necessary at this time. The paragraph regarding a Programs Committee was also proposed to be struck as this is now the responsibility of the Vice-President.

Also, a change was proposed to the new verbiage to the By-Laws requiring new officers to "swear" to have read and understood the Constitution and By-Laws. It was agreed to change the word "swear" to "affirm" as some members may have an objection to the use of the word "swear".

An additional change was made to authorize the President, Treasurer and Secretary to sign checks on the chapter checking account.

A motion was made to accept all of the proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws as outlined above. This motion failed. A second motion was put forth to accept all of the changes except for the addition of the Second Vice-President position. This motion was made by Randall van Heyst and seconded by Michael Goode. The motion was approved by a show of hands .

Discuss December Christmas meeting. There will not be a speaker at the December meeting to allow more time for a Secret Santa gift exchange. Please bring a Secret Santa gift valued between $20 and $30 dollars. Also, we are encouraged to bring gifts for the veterans at the Bonham veteran's facility. Please see the list of requested items that was attached to the October newsletter. Members are encouraged to bring snacks and refreshments to this meeting.

Nomination Committee provided an amended list of officers for 2027. See the attached list. David Jackson will take over the Historian position for 2027. New officers will be required to take the "Youth Protection Training" course within 3 months of taking office.

Treasurer's Report by Gary Lovell. Beginning checking account balance for October was $5,110.83. Deposit total was $49.00 leaving the ending balance of $5,159.83. Our CD account had a beginning balance of $6704.89 with interest paid of $14.33 for ending balance of $6719.22. November 12, 2026 Grand Total is $11,879.05.
A motion was made by David Jackson and seconded by Randall van Heyst to authorize the Treasurer to purchase a brick for Dennis Vierling to be placed at the Rockwall Veteran's Memorial with cost not to exceed $60.00. The motion passed unanimously.
A proposed budget for 2027 was submitted. This will be voted on at the December meeting.

EFT Color Guard Report – Randall van Heyst. December 19th is Wreaths Across America day. There will be a ceremony and wreath laying at the Mesquite Cemetery starting at 10:00am. Other ceremonies are planed in the area. All are encouraged to participate in one of these events.

The Rockwell Christmas parade is December 5th starting at 9:00am
The Terrell Christmas parade will be December 12th starting at 10:00am

Registrar's Report-Jeff Witt. We have 26 applications recently approved or awaiting approval.

Michael Goode presented Michael Nelson with the SAR War Service Medal.

New Member Inductions – No new member inductions this month.

Birthdays for November – D'Auna van Heyst, Michael Goode, Gary & Mindy Lovell's grandson

Door Prize Drawing – No door prize drawing this month.

Closing Remarks – Jason Gray

SAR Closing – Ben Derryberry

Benediction – Walt Thomas

Declaration of Adjournment – 8:36 pm Jason Gray

November 13, 2026
Guy Sargent, Secretary, East Fork-Trinity Chapter #47, TXSSAR

Amended Nov. 12, 2026

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Monthly Report Nov 12, 2026

Checking Account:	
Oct 2026 Balance	5110.83
Deposits:	
Oct 15 (Bucket)	49.00
Withdrawals:	
Outstanding Checks:	
November 12, 2026 Balance:	5159.83

Certificate of Deposit
Inwood Bank
Matures Jan 27, 2027; Currently 2.6%

~~Sept Balance~~	6704.89
Oct. Balance	
Interest	14.33
~~October Balance~~	6719.22
November Balance	
~~Sept 10, 2026~~ Grand Total	11,879.05
Nov. 12, 2026	

G.W. Lovell, Treasurer
East Fork Trinity

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2027 Budget Worksheet

2027 Budget		Thru 10-26
Income	**Estimated**	
Dues	1162.00	1162.00
Merchandise		30.00
Application Fees	25.00	100.00
Bucket	480.00	91.00
	1667.00	**1383.00**
Projected Expenses		
Speaker Meals	250.00	140.31
Meeting Expenses	150.00	
Medals and Awards	500.00	1479.75
Registrar Expenses	300.00	370.82
President's Expenses	250.00	113.44
S.A.R. Magazine	36.00	36.00
P.O. Box	204.00	
	1690.00	**2140.32**

Income thru Nov 2026

Jan.			
Application Fees: Martin, Bendorf, Moorehead		75.00	
Quartermaster:		30.00	
			105.00
Apr			
Application Fee Jowell Peden		25.00	
ACH Credit TXSSAR		1015.00	
			1040.00
Jun			
June 1	ACH Credit TXSSAR	75.00	
June 2	ACH Credit TXSSAR	15.00	
June 2	ACH Credit TXSSAR	57.00	
			147.00
Oct			
Sept 11 (Bucket)		42.00	
			42.00
Nov			
Oct 15 (Bucket)		49.00	
			49.00
			1383.00

Expenses thru Nov. 2026

Jan			
#1750 Walt Thomas, Name Tag Organizer		55.20	
#1751 Jason Gray, Medals		1056.25	
#1752 Jeffery Witt, Ancestry		137.26	
#1754 Randall van Heyst, Speaker's meal		26.09	
			1274.80
Mar			
Withdrawals:			
#1755 David Powell, Mailing Exp.		6.51	
			6.51
Apr			
#1756 Randall van Heyst (Speaker's Meal)		22.19	
#1757 Jeff Witt (Mailing)		7.45	
#1758 Jeff Witt (Printing)		82.20	
			111.84
May			
CC Speaker's Meal (Susan Lanning)		25.20	
Presidents 250 Banner		58.24	
			83.44
Jun			
May 14 #1759	Tres. Gen. TXSSAR (Magazine)	36.00	
May 16 # 1761	Randall van Heyst (Citizenship Pins)	60.00	
			96.00
Jul			
June 11 Debit Card Speaker's Meal		22.67	
June 12 # 1762 four Abigail Adams Medal Sets		166.50	
			189.17
Aug			
July 9 Debit Card Speaker's Meal		25.30	
July 9 # 1763 Mailing Expense		24.40	
			49.70
Sep			
Aug 13 # 1764	Registrar Expense	113.06	
Aug 13 # 1765	President Medal	145.50	
			258.56
Oct			
Sept 11 Speaker's Meal		18.86	
Sept 25 # 1766 Goode, War Service Medal		51.50	
			70.36
			2140.32

October 22, 2026
SAR East Fork Trinity Chapter

Nominations Committee Report

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First VP	David Routh
~~Second VP~~	~~Benjamin Derryberry~~
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Treasurer	Gary Lovell
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Historian	David Jackson

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	Name	Guest Name	Phone Number	E-mail if not getting newsletter
1	Jason Gray	2 Mary Ann Gray	214-226-9997	
3	Jeff Witt		214-934-0558	
4	David Jackson	5 Connie Jackson	972-768-2782	d.b.jackson@att.net
6	Michael Goode	7 Cynthia	214 457 1227	
8	Guy Sargent		636-219-9815	sargents@sbcglobal.net
9	BOB KUBIN	AT HOME	945.388.3912	bob.kubin@dbimaint.com
10	B.W. Lovell	11 Mindy	214 543 3068	
12	Bob Vickers	13 Della Vickers	972-463-9502	
14	AARON NELSON			
15	MICHAEL NELSON			
16	James Owsley Gust		903 217-1536	
17	David Routh			
18	Bob Harrod	—	325 829 7414	KINGHARR36@GMAIL.COM
19	Reayan van Hey St			
20	Randall van Hey St	21 D'Anna van Hey St		
22	Walt Thomas	23 Barbara		

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24	HARMON ADAIR	—	469 685 3466	[illegible]
25	Ben Murrayberry	26 Logan	972 679 4073	
27	[illegible]	—	—	—
28	RANDALL VAN HEST		214 402 0000	