

Minutes of EDMUND TERRILL Chapter of SAR, May 16, 2018

The Edmund Terrill of the Sons of the American Revolution was called to order at 12:40 pm by President Harvey Davis. Invocation was by Don Babbs, Chaplain. Colors were presented by John Greer and Ted Wilson. The to “The America Flag,” “The Texas Flag,” and the “Sons of the American Revolution” were led by President Davis.

Members present were: Tom McKee, Lloyd Perkins, James Lathan, Travis Witcher, Wayne Witcher, Don Babbs, T. L. Holden, Ted Wilson, Harvey Davis, Bill Hurst, Ken Lench, John Greer, Wade Graves, and Steve Scheinost.

Guests were: Jerry Brown—State Registrar, John Cole – potential member, Jim Osborne – potential member and wife Susan, Mary Scheinost, Denise Green, Mary Scantlin – our speaker and husband Marshall.

Our speaker Mary Scantlin was introduced by Ted Wilson. Many members of her family had served in various wars over the past years. Her subject was the “Bataan Death March” that occurred in the Philippines in April 1942, when the Japanese invasion occurred. This is a story of how her father was a POW and lived through the whole experience and lived to tell about it. Mary had a number of items on display from that time period plus many of her father’s items. The cards they received and how certain words were underlined to give more emphasis as to his health and wellbeing.

Mary Scantlin was presented a speakers Certificate and SAR Challenge Coin.

T. L. Holden presented the 50-year Vietnam Medal to Don Babbs, Jerry Brown, Jim Osborne, Ken Lench, and John Cole, for their service or support during the Vietnam era.

Bill Hurst was given three newly accepted supplemental Certificates.

No prior minutes were read nor a treasurer report as William J. Woods, Secretary and Treasurer was not present.

Other Business: Past President Wade Graves verified that he had counter signed a check for 35 eagle statutes that were to be given to the new Eagle Scouts beginning in 2018.

President Davis talked about the State Convention in Richardson last month and the awards given to the chapter. He explained that this was the first one for him to attend and there were many areas he needed to work upon. Our awards are listed on the next page.

Edmund Terrill Chapter

Star – 1-50 membership size

Star – Flag Certificates

Certificate – Chapter Newsletter – Honorable Mention

Certificate – Chapter Yearbook – 2nd Place

Individual Awards

NSSAR Silver Color Guard Metal – T.L. Holden

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Certificate of Appreciation DAR/SAR Liaison -T.L. Holden

John Greer spoke about Veterans activities and needs they had during their stay at the VA Center in Bonham. He also talked about the upcoming pre 4th of July cookout at Harper Hall on Tuesday, June 26, 2018. He also covered how the chapter receives points for their work there.

Ted Wilson spoke about all the SAR Color Guard events that would be occurring in May, June, July, August, and into September. Two events of great importance are the National Congress event being held in Houston this year and sponsored by the SAR of Texas. Also on Saturday, August 11, 2018, the grave marking of two past State Presidents of the SAR, both of whom are buried in Oakwood Cemetery in Corsicana, Texas. They are George T. Jester and Edward M. Polk.

T. L. Holden talked about the number of applications he had done since January 2018. He said a number of them were still at the state level. An update on the membership in Vernon, Texas, was given and once some more application at national are approved; we will look into charting a new chapter there. Hopefully in November or December.

We also had Jerry Brown our new State Registrar in attendance give a report on the back log he had when he took office. He was going to use Bill Hurst to help get the back log under control.

We heard from Denise Green about the drawing for a quilt that the Martha Jefferson Randolph DAR Chapter had created. She was selling raffle tickets.

Benediction was done by Don Babbs, Chaplain
Recessional was led by President Harvey Davis and the meeting was closed at 1:45.

Submitted by Ted Wilson, Vice President.