

Ellis County Chapter 70 of Texas SAR Monthly Meeting Minutes January 27, 2024

Meeting called to order at 9:30 by President John Haughton

Invocation was offered by Michael Tull (applicant (A))

After ceremonial pledges to the American, Texas, and SAR Flags, the attendees recited the SAR Mission Statement.

Brent Harshman, new President of the Dallas Chapter came forward to introduce Jerry Pinkerton, Texas Inland Registrar and Thomas F. Van Fossen, Texas VP Dist.6.

These Compatriots presented a program “a tale of two Patriots”.

They told the story of the exploits of two Revolutionary Soldiers,
Elisha Garland/4th Great Grand Father of Jerry Pinkerton and
Jacob Van Fossen/ 4th Great Grand Father of Tom Van Fossen

The two fought in the same battles and suffered the same perils of war,
but never met.

Their story was well told (speakers in colonia attire) and informative of the service given for their new country.

The program was followed by a new segment of the meeting:

Ron Finch (A) - “Minute in History”.

Much to the surprise of Ron, Jerry, and Tom, this was a brief presentation about Anthony Reagor, who also fought in the same battles and as

The two patriots.

Although Reagor was granted a Land Grant by the state of TN he is not recognized by either the DAR or SAR historians.

There followed a series of brief reports by new committee chairmen:

Color Guard – Larry Kollie (A)

First Responder Committee – Mark Gundert (A)

New Member Registration – David Hill

JROTC Committee – Michael Tull (A)

The meeting Recessional was led by President Haughton

Benediction was offered by Michael Tull (A)

The Meeting Adjourned by President Haughton

The next Chapter Meeting will be held on February 24, 2024
At the Sims Library Lyceum at 9:30 am
515 W. Main St.
Waxahachie, Texas 75165

Meeting photographs provided by Paul Ridenour

Attending

John Haughton
Larry Kollie (A)
Mark Gundert (A)
Philip Taylor (A)
Mike Petridis
Bill Watts
Jerry Pinkerton
Tom Van Fossen
Ron Finch (A)
Delfino Patrick Hernandez (A)
Pat Hernandez – Guest
Drake Peddie – FPG
Paul Ridenour
Brent Harshman
Matt Gardner (A)
Robert Skinner
Betty Skinner – Guest
Michael Anderson (A)

(A) - applicant

