



# Sons of the American Revolution Independence Chapter November 2014



**Nov 25** - 6:00 pm, Outback Steak House, 2102 Texas Ave S, College Station. The private dining room is to the right as you enter. Order from a special menu - 6 oz steak, chicken or fish. Order; pay individually. We order, eat, then meeting. Prospective members, guests, and spouses are welcome. Program to be arranged.

**New Members:** To be inducted on Nov 25 -  
1) Austin Cantwell, 2) William Lee Dawkins, Jr.,  
3) William Christopher Dyer Dawkins, 4) Jonathan David Marshall Dawkins, 5) Chester William Hedderman, II, 6) Chester William Hedderman III, 7) Ralph Mutchler, 8) John Mutchler.

**Oct Mtg** - SAR presented Public Service Awards to nine local service honorees in Law Enforcement, Fire Safety, EMS and Heroism. Judge Steve Smith was the speaker and also honored. Commendation medals, certificates and the Constitution were presented. Jim Jones coordinated the meeting.



Jim Jones & Steve Smith



Jim Boone (right) congratulated honorees 2014.

**Flag Commendation** - John Allen and Pat Allen Rice will be honored on Thursday, Nov 13, 9:30 am, with the SAR Certificate of Commendation in recognition of their exemplary patriotism by displaying the Flag of the USA at Allen Honda, 2450 Earl Rudder Fwy S. Join us to honor them.

**President's Letter** - Our awards program on October 28 was an outstanding success. Independence Chapter presented certificates and medals to first responders in our area for their distinguished service and acts of heroism. As Compatriot James T. Jones read the citations for each individual, I realized how fortunate our community is to be served by these dedicated people. The event was well-covered by the news media, which enabled the general public to become more aware of how well we are served by our law enforcement officers, fire fighters and emergency medical personnel. Thanks to Compatriot Jones for organizing the program. And thanks to all of our Chapter Compatriots whose support makes this worthy activity possible.

November is an active month for all of us. On November 11 we will assist in the placement of flags on the graves of veterans in the College Station cemetery on Texas Avenue. I hope that all of you who are able will be there to assist. This is an exhilarating experience that will make your day. We start at 8:30am and will be finished in an hour. On November 18 we will need several Compatriots to attend the Bryan City Council meeting at 6:00pm to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Incidentally, we were originally scheduled to do this on December 9, but the December meeting was moved to November 18. Don't forget our regular Chapter meeting on November 25. We will meet at the Outback Steakhouse at 6:00pm. We have eight new Compatriots, and we hope to welcome them to our Chapter that evening. I look forward to seeing you there!

James L. Boone, Jr., President 2014-2015

**Boonville Days SAR exhibit Oct 4, Jim Boone and Bob Cohen staffed the SAR exhibit at the Brazos Valley Museum of Natural History, registering 20 potential members.**



**Calendar**

- Nov 11, 8:30 am, Flags, Veteran's Day, College Station Cemetery, 2530 Texas Ave. S, CS
- Nov 13 Allen Honda, 2450 Earl Rudder Fwy S, CS
- Nov 18, 6 pm Bryan City Council Pledge to the Flag, Council Chambers, Bryan Municipal Building, 300 S. Texas Avenue, B
- Nov 20, 10 am, Naturalization, 85th District Courtroom, Ste 225, Brazos Co. Courthouse, 300 E. 26th Street, B.
- Dec - no meeting
- January 27, 6 pm, SAR monthly meeting
- February 24, 6 pm, SAR monthly meeting
- March 24, 6 pm, SAR monthly meeting
- March 26-29, Texas SAR State Conference, Marriott Greenspoint Hotel, Houston.
- April 28, 6 pm, SAR monthly meeting
- May - Memorial Day Flags, CS Cemetery.

**Texas SAR Fall Board Meeting - Bob Cohen and James Jones attended Nov 8-9 in Temple.**

**Texas SAR Partners with the USA Vietnam War Commemoration -** The 2008 National Defense Authorization Act authorizes the Secretary of Defense ... to commemorate the anniversary of the Vietnam War. The Commemorative Partner Program is designed for ... local communities to assist a grateful nation in thanking and honoring our Vietnam Veterans and their families. Local groups plan and conduct events and activities that will recognize the Vietnam Veterans and their families' service, valor, and sacrifice.

Events and activities should be dignified, memorable occasions that show a sensitivity and appreciation for the solemnity of war and the losses suffered by many.

To become an official Commemorative Partner, organizations must submit an application and a signed Statement of Understanding. Go to - [www.VietnamWar50th.com](http://www.VietnamWar50th.com) - for forms. Once approved as a Partner, the Commemoration will provide organizations with a starter kit of materials for their program.

An Independence Chapter member could serve as Chair of this Committee for the chapter.



At the November Board meeting in Temple, Texas SAR honored Veterans who served during the Vietnam era, in Vietnam, in all branches of service, and their families.

