



*Sons of The American Revolution
Texas Society,
McKinney Chapter*



December 9, 2021

Meeting/Christmas Party held at Nathan White's Home

Attendees

The McKinney SAR chapter Christmas Party was hosted at the home of Compatriot Nathan White and his wife Wanda White, followed by a brief meeting. There was no Zoom teleconference for this event.

Members and guests gathered at 6PM for dinner and festivities.

There were 18 SAR members and guests in attendance. Attendees included: Tom Milson & wife Carol Milson, Ralph and wife Bobbe Thompson, Ned Hoover and wife Nina Hoover, Mat Hoover with Suzette Hoover, Blas Uribe, Nathan White and wife Wanda White, Peter McLellan, Weldon Copeland and wife Cynthia Copeland, Mark McCraw, John McCraw Jr., Tracy Pounders, and Texas Society SAR President Drake Peddie.





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Call to Order

Tom Milson, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 7:48 pm.

Invocation

- Nathan White, gave the invocation.

Pledges

- Mark McCraw, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

- Blas Uribe, led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

- Nathan White, led the Pledge of the SAR.

Self-Introductions of Members and Guests

None

Old Business and Announcements

- Tom Milson gave a "Year in Review – by the Numbers", which included voluminous data regarding, awards given, SAR inducted members, SAR state awards, chapter meetings held by in-person and zoom, average attendance, programs presented at the McKinney Chapter meetings, color guard numbers, events the McKinney SAR attended or participated in, etc.

- Tom Milson discussed new officer coming on in the McKinney SAR chapter, Veterans affairs - John Greer. John Greer has coordinated that the McKinney SAR chapter will write Christmas cards for the Veterans hospital in Bonham, TX, an organization we have coordinated other activities with them in the past. As a result, approximately 100 cards were divided among the people present at today's Christmas party and we spent about 10 minutes hand writing the cards with a prewritten script on each card. The attendees were very enthusiastic to participate in this activity.



- Future Meetings and Events

- Next Meeting January 20, 7 PM (In-person and Zoom) at Spring Creek BBQ McKinney.
- Mar 2-5 Spring 2022 Leadership. Louisville, KY
- Wreaths Across America – December 18, 2021, Tom and Carol Milson already went to cemetery to help mark the graves that a wreath will be placed.

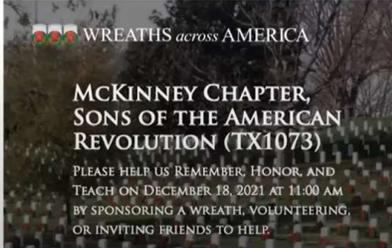
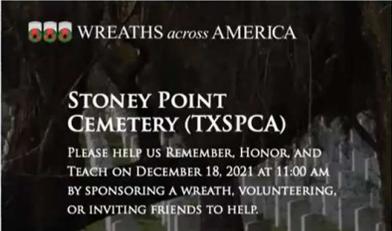
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Wreaths Across America Event



- Our Chapter is a Wreaths Across America Sponsor for the Stoney Point Cemetery in Anna, Texas.
- For those of you who have purchased wreaths – THANK YOU!!
- Because of your generosity, every veteran at Stoney Point will have a wreath placed on their grave.
- The wreath placement ceremony will occur on December 18, 2021 at 11:00.
- I need some Chapter members to volunteer to place wreaths on the graves. Please contact me if your are interested in honor our veterans in this way.

All Chapter members with family are welcome to attend this event honoring our veterans.



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New Member Induction Ceremony

- Ned Hoover, and his son Mat Hoover, oath given by Drake Peddie, TXSSAR President. Ned and Mat had wanted to be inducted together. Membership certificate was presented.



Ned's wife Nina pinned the Rosette on him.



Suzette Hoover pinned the rosette on Mat.



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Program

- None/Christmas Party

Awards

- None

New Business

No New Business was conducted due to the Christmas Party

Other Announcements

- Tracy Pounders (Dallas Chapter SAR) is a new Dual member, he is an attorney and has been involved at the state level TXSSAR with many functions.

- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:

- Drake Peddie, TXSSAR President – spoke for about 10 minutes on a number of things, including but not limited to the McKinney chapter hosting BOM next year, in Richardson, TX. The incoming President Elect for the state SAR. Some state meetings will be in Zoom going forward. Drake has reorganized all the committees, if the committee hasn't met in a couple years then they were eliminated or consolidated or renamed. Drake entered this State position with the intent to leave it better than he found it. The TXSSAR put together a 5013C vs politics training package and Nationals loved it as well as a number of other trainings and documents developed by the TXSSAR. Educational outreach program. Many things in development to make the TXSSAR more visible nationally, etc. Drake thanked Nathan White for help building and keeping the McKinney SAR chapter going when it had been in serious decline at one time.

Benediction: Tom Milson gave the benediction.

Recessional: Lead by Tom Milson

Adjournment: President Tom Milson adjourned the meeting at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary