



*Sons of The American
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Texas Society, McKinney
Chapter*

October 20, 2022

Meeting held at Spring Creek BBQ McKinney and via Zoom® teleconference

Attendees

There were (36 total) 33 SAR members and guests in attendance at Spring Creek Barbeque. Attendees included: Tom Milson, Blas Uribe, Ted Wilson, TL Holden, Tom Van Fossen, Bill Watts, John Greer Peter Ford, Bill Hurst and wife Ruth Ann, Nathan White and wife Wanda, Gary Barker and wife Kathy and son Ryan Barker, Al Lisi, Rich Bonaparte and wife Lynn, Joe Chenoweth, Jim Waterman, Andy Milson, Ray Hargis and wife Linda, Mark McCraw, Jerry Kenney, Texas SAR State President Jim Kuykendall, Bob Millwee, Jerry Pinkerton, Bob Johns, Pete McLellan, George Bradford, Al Lisi, John and Meg Anderson – Arlington SAR Chapter.

There were 4 participants in attendance by Zoom® for this meeting. Attendees included: Cary Barnett, Don Babbs, and Clay Tangen through Zoom.

Guests include: No other guests



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Call to Order

Tom Milson, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Invocation

- Don Babbs, gave the invocation.

Pledges

- Tom Milson, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- Peter Mclellan, led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.
- Blas Uribe, led the Pledge of the SAR.

Self-Introductions of Members and Guests

Led by Tom Milson

Old Business and Announcements

- Tom Milson – Introduced SAR TX Society President Jim Kuykendall who spoke briefly on McKinney Chapter overcoming challenges due to past diminished enrollment numbers and now having over 70 members.



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- Tom Milson – Please pay dues, Invoices have been sent out. Can easily pay online through State Website.

- Tom Milson – Wreaths across America: Tom has spoken with the representative of the Cemetery Association in Melissa who we dealt with last year, there is about 100 veterans buried there. We have about 20 – 30 wreaths that will carry over from last year. The McKinney SAR Chapter will not be taking any profit, instead the program we signed up for will provide extra wreaths, so it is 2 for \$15 plus the extra wreath, so really we are getting 3 wreaths for \$15. Tom will send out an email to the chapter with a link to contribute.

- Bob Johns, Plano Chapter – Bob coordinates with John Greer, Veteran Affairs of McKinney Chapter, on working with the Bonham VA. Bob is working with 5 local SAR chapters on getting gifts for the Bonham VA veterans for Christmas.

- Future Meetings and Events

- Next Meeting November 17, 7 PM (In-person and Zoom) at Spring Creek BBQ McKinney.
- Board of Managers meeting October 21-23, Hosted by the McKinney Chapter,

New Member Induction Ceremony

None

Program

- Program - A Tale of two American Patriots in the American Revolution, 1776 to 1778. Jerry Pinkerton, period reenactor portrays his fourth Great Grandfather Elisha Garland. Also, period reenactor Tom Van Fossen, portrays his fourth Great Grandfather Jacob Van Fossen.

Mark McCraw, VP Programs introduced the Guest Speakers, both SAR members.

Following the presentation, Mark McCraw thanked the speakers and presented them with a Certificate of Appreciation.



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Awards

- John Greer – Presented Al Lisi with a Vietnam Commemoration Lapel Pin. Over 1100 such pins have been presented to North Texas veterans. TL Holden assisted in the pinning of the lapel pin and was thanked for his service. Al is a West Point graduate.



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New Business

- Minutes from last meeting have been published on the website. Joe Chenoweth made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, motion seconded by Tom Van Fossen, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.

- Tom Milson - Tom announced that after discussion with other Chapters and State SAR members, that it is not typical to vote on accepting the treasurer's report monthly. It is determined that the more proper way going forward is to have the Treasurer's report read each month and then have a yearly audit at which point the report can then be voted on as to accepting its accuracy.

- Treasurer's Report: submitted and read by Peter Ford, Treasurer, "Treasurer's Report for October 20 2022, The bank balance as of the September 15th meeting was \$6484.44. Since that time, we have since received \$180.00 from nine dual chapter membership dues. The bank balance is currently \$666.44.

- Tom Milson - Opened floor for nominations for VP Awards for McKinney Chapter. No names were offered. Tom states Andy Milson has volunteered for position. Motion to nominate was



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made by Bob Millwee, second by Peter McLellan. No discussion, motion approved by voice vote. TX Society SAR State President Jim Kuykendall administered oath.



Other Announcements

- Junior member dues are waived for 2023
- Bill Watts, recognized Bob Millwee. Bill and Bob were at the Armed Forces Parade in Sherman. Bill presented Bob with a Certificate for learning and safely firing a musket.
- Peter McLellan – Officer nomination committee for the chapter slate of officers for 2023 consists of Pete and Nathan White. No one else has stepped forward. Jim Kuykendall states there is training on the website for every Chapter officer position and it is a great resource. Jim encourages volunteering to serve in your chapter for officer positions.
- Gary Barker, State Color Guard – several Veteran Parades coming up.
- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:



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- Jim Kuykendall, TX SAR President – Leadership conference in Kentucky approved a 250th anniversary medal that has Texas insignia that 100 dets will be made.
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Benediction: Don Babbs gave the benediction.

Recessional: Lead by Tom Milson

Adjournment: President Tom Milson adjourned the meeting at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary