

March 20, 2025

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

Attendees

There were (29 total) 27 SAR members and guests in attendance at Spring Creek Barbeque. Attendees included: Tom Milson and wife Carol, Blas Uribe, Mark McCraw, Paul Andreasen, Nathan White and wife Wanda, Peter McIellan, Richard Bonaparte and wife Lynn, Bill Taylor and wife Carol, Jerry Lucas, Jerry Kinney, Mark Harrison, Gary Graybeal, William Graham, Joe Chenoweth, Jim Akers and wife Sandee, Larry Moore, Cary Barnett, John Ray, Bart Morgan and wife Samye, and Scott Kingsley.

There were 2 participants in attendance by Zoom® for this meeting. Attendees included: Kevin Ennis and Don Babbs.

Guests include: Guest speaker Bob Epstein





Call to Order

- Paul Andreason, Chapter President/Chaplain, called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Invocation

- Paul Andreasen, Chapter Chaplain/President, gave the invocation.

Pledges

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



- Paul Andreason, led the Pledge of the SAR.
- Bill Taylor, led the Mission Statement of the SAR. "The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, educating and inspiring future generations, about the founding principles of our Country."

Self-Introductions of Members and Guests

Led by Paul Andreasen

Old Business and Announcements

- Future Meetings and Events
 - Next Meeting April 17, 2025 7 PM (In person and by Zoom).
 - April 12 Medal of Honor Parade, downtown Gainesville
 - March 27-30 130th State Convention, Hilton Richardson, Texas
 - May 28, 2025 July 11, 2025 Traveling Exhibit, Collin County History Museum in Downtown McKinney

New Member Induction Ceremony

- None

Program

- Program – This month our program is: "The Battle of Guilford Courthouse" by Bob Epstein: BIO - Texas Guard - Military Police; Law Enforcement Reserves; - Private Security Contractor - Civil Air Patrol - Aircrew and Ground Team Emergency Services Instructor- Homeland Security Officer-Aerospace Education Instructor - Jewish War Veterans - Patriotism Chairman - Air and Space Force Association - VP- Corporate Affairs - Military Order of World Wars- Homeland Security Committee Chairman"

Tom Milson, VP Programs, introduced the Guest Speaker. The program was a 34 minute presentation, followed by a short question and answer session. Tom Milson thanked Bob and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation.





Awards

- Mark McCraw, VP Awards – Mark gave an overview of some of the upcoming service awards that he will looking for award recipients, including but not limited to, Fire Safety, EMS, Life Saving, Hero Award. He will be reaching out to a number of contacts and sources for possible recipients.

New Business



- Minutes from the last meeting have been published on the website. Joe Chenoweth made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, motion seconded by Peter McLellan, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.
- Treasurer's Report: submitted and read by Peter Ford, Treasurer. "Treasurer's Report for March 20, 2025. The Chapter's funds at our February meeting were \$443.61

The expense for the month was:

• \$23.34 Registrar costs (postage and stationery)

The income for the month was:

- \$60 donation from PayPal
- \$50 donation from Cornerstone Christian Academy
- \$20 dual member dues
- \$225.00 donations added to the Project 2026 set-aside

The Chapter's available funds are: \$550.27. This does not include the Project 2026 money (\$1710.00).

The Chapter's CD balance is \$5236.95. This account will be closed on April 26th, when that amount will be made available for use." No further questions or comments.

Other Announcements

- Tom Milson – discussed the Traveling Exhibit that will be sponsored by the John Abston Chapter DAR May 28, 2025 – July 11, 225, in honor of the SAR 250th Anniversary. This will be at the Collin County History Museum in Downtown McKinney. It was previously in Pottsboro recently. A revolutionary War Exhibit that will be shown Tuesday through Saturday 10- 4 and the DAR would like the McKinney SAR to help with the event by staffing shifts in support of the exhibit. A sign up tool will be implemented. More information will come.

- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:
- None



Benediction: Paul Andreason Chaplain/President, gave the benediction

Recessional: Lead by Paul Andreason President/Chaplain

Adjournment: President Paul Andreason President/Chaplain adjourned the meeting at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary

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