



*Texas SAR Arlington Chapter
Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2026*

The February 14, 2026, meeting was held at Skillet & Grill, 1801 W Division Street, Arlington, Texas. Members and guests gathered at 09:00 am for fellowship and breakfast.

- I. Vice President Bob Pope welcomed attendees and opened the meeting for Chapter business at approximately 9:30am.
- II. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the invocation.
- III. Sergeant-at-arms Richard Martin led the pledges to the U.S. Flag, the Texas Flag, and the Sons of the American Revolution Flag.
- IV. Vice President Bob Pope recognized Past Chapter Presidents and greeted Chapter Members and our guests.
- V. Compatriot John Anderson gave a short presentation on the Youth Contests. D. White was the only contestant in the three categories.
- VI. Vice President Bob Pope led an interesting discussion concerning the upcoming 250 celebration including the US Mint has released 4 new quarters.
- VII. Compatriot John Anderson provided a very interesting video from the Revolution War Rarities series. Then a short video of Benjamin Franklin narrating the values of the US Constitution.
 - Compatriot John Anderson provided the following reports:
 - Texas SAR State Announcements
 - Future Scheduled Texas SAR Conferences
 - April 16-19, 2026 - Spring convention, Austin, TX. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend the Sat. **April 18** unveiling at the Texas State Cemetery of the large Texas SAR granite monument to the Am Rev Patriots buried in Texas. Please join us as voting delegate.
 - Fall 2026 is unscheduled
 - The latest Texas Compatriot newsletter (2005 Winter) is now available
 - **Chapter Membership Chair**
 - 2025 ended with **85** members: 59 Adults, 8 reinstatements, 2 duals from out-of-state transfers, 15 Junior members, 1 transfer, which is 1 less than last year. We gained 1 new Junior Member, Cameron Fairchild, and 3 transfers for other states.
 - 2026 has started with 1 New Member – Carl Shifflette and 1 pended Applicant – Philip Arthur. Let's welcome Carl and encourage Philip to undertake the challenge.
 - 2026 Texas SAR Dues should be paid now and was in default after Jan. 1st. See me as needed for reinstatements. Our first 2026 Roster is expected by month end.
 - Texas SAR Arlington Chapter Roster booklets are available for \$3 each, pay the Treasurer.
 - 2026 Roster is circulating, please update your contact information as needed.
 - **Interim Chapter Youth Awards Chair**
 - We have one contestant, the same youth person, for the Eagle Scout Essay Contest, Knight Essay Contest and C.A.R. Essay Contest. We had a second Knight Essay contestant, but he was referred to the McKinney Chapter.
 - We need to decide on what chapter award is appropriate.

- **DAR/C.A.R. Liaisons**

- John Anderson is our DAR Liaison. We delivered four Abigail Adams awards on Wed. Jan. 14 to Meg Anderson, Susan Johnson, Gin Jentsch, Cindy Fairchild.
- Joe Sogan is the Texas SAR to DAR Liaison. He may have a separate report.

- VIII. Secretary Bill Goodman reminded the Chapter that the minutes from the January 2026November 2025, meeting have been posted on the Chapter website and opened the floor for comments. There being no comments, a motion was made and seconded that the minutes
- IX. Treasurer Richard Coffey reported on the financial status of the Chapter.
- X. Chaplain Bob Wehr expressed his appreciation that the Chapter has allowed him to continue to be our Chaplain during his illnesses.
- XI. Sergeant-at-arms Richard Martin led a discussion on the newly purchased flag box. The current flags fit securely and waterproof. He requested to be reimbursed for the purchase price.
- XII. Compatriot Dan Hamilton provided the recent past and upcoming future events he and others represent the Chapter.
- XIII. Compatriot Chuck Andrews stated that the most recent Newsletter is on the Chapter website.
- XIV. Vice President Bob Pope presented the slate of proposed Chapter Officers.

President	Robert B. Pope
1 st Vice-President	Brent Murray
2 nd Vice President	Joseph G. Kohn
Secretary	Bill C. Goodman
Treasurer	Richard Coffey
Registrar	Joseph G, Kohn
Historian	John Anderson
Chaplain	Robert H. Wehr
Sergeant-at-arms	Richard L. Martin

Vice President Bob Pope made a motion to accept this slate of proposed Officers. Compatriot Dan Hamilton seconded the motion, and the Chapter approved the slate.

- XV. Guest Cheryl Litke gave a very informative presentation about the JROTC program.
- XVI. Vice President Bob Pope requested Chaplain Bob Wehr to provide the opening prayer at the Am 250 Celebration. Compatriot Bob Wehr accepted the invitation.
- XVII. Vice President Bob Pope mad a motion to adjourn the meeting. Compatriot Ron Carter seconded the motion.
- Chaplain Bob Wehr announced the closing prayer.
 - Sergeant-at-arms Richard Martin led the Closing Admonition.

The next Chapter Meeting will be held on March 14, 2026, at Skillet & Grill, 1801 West Division Street, Arlington, Texas. Members meet for breakfast from the menu at 9:00 a.m. with the Chapter meeting commencing at approximately 9:30 a.m.

Attendance: 14 Chapter Members and 3 Guests

Respectfully Submitted, Secretary Bill Goodman