

Sons of the American Revolution
Bluebonnet Chapter #41
January 14, 2020

Bluebonnet Chapter, #41 SAR, met at the Marble Falls Library on January 14, 2020

President Greco called the meeting to order at 11:10 AM.

Convocation given by President Greco followed by a Moment of Prayer and Silence for the recent Passing of Bertha Dayton, wife of Compatriot Harold Dayton.

On January 25, 2020, a Visitation will be held at 10:30am followed by a Memorial Service from 11am to 12 noon. This will be at the First United Methodist Church of Burnet, TX. Located at 301 East Graves St. Burnet, TX.

Pledges to the flags were led by President Greco.

President Greco introduced the guests. There were 2 guests and 6 members.

Minutes were published, sent via E-Mail, to members and no corrections, changes or additions made, Minutes were considered approved, and not required to be read.

Treasurer report given by Vice President Bush

October 31, 2019

Opening Balance of 918.12

Disbursements

Check for \$153.00 to Michael Greco for purchase of Chapter awards

Closing Balance

\$765.12

Treasurer's report accepted and approved

Registrar's Report by Gary Bruton

Eight prospective new members were in the early stages of application documentation and completion.

Two prospective new members applications are currently progressing smoothly.

Old Business

Field of Honor Presentation and Parade. San Gabriel Park Activity Field. 11AM Nov 19, 2019. Veterans Day event with flags for those Veterans who had passed away. Displays of buttons, and different weapons used in the 18th Century. Local chapters of SAR and DAR and SRT present. Also live cannon firings. Very befitting ceremony and display of flags. It was a bit confusing as to which flag to render Honors to as there were many displayed in prominent locations.

Awards Presentations:

Marilyn Rushing - Certificate of Appreciation and Medal for outstanding support to the SAR.

Gary Bruton - A Veteran of the U.S. Air Force received the NSSAR Military Service Medal.

Glenn Rhyne - TXSSAR Service Award Medal for outstanding support to TXSSAR Chapter #41 and Certificate of Appreciation. A new award.

Warren Groff and Lori Greco unable to attend today's meeting and their Awards presentations are pending.

Marilyn Rushing and Lori Greco were presented their awards at the Christmas Party.

Flag Certificate to be presented to Packsaddle School.

Upcoming year Elections need Committee Chairman volunteer and committee members volunteers

Christmas party luncheon/dinner. It is not a meeting, but rather a Christmas social function for current members, guests and prospective new members. This was a fun time with all that attended and Compatriot Mark Mabrito was deemed to be the Comedian of the event.

Tax document preparation, a reminder for our chapter to submit the IRS Form 990N in timely fashion. Treasurer replied it was a no brainer. All was settled by Treasurer, Compatriot David.

New Business

Today, January 14, 2020 will be Vice President Bush's last day as an Officer of Bluebonnet Chapter #41.

Also, President Michael Greco announced that this will be his last year that he will be able to serve as President of Bluebonnet Chapter #41

Flag presentations: Cecil Atkission Motors, Burnet, TX and VFW Post 6974 Highland Lakes, Burnet, TX. Were presented with Flag Certificates by President Greco and Compatriot Warren Groff, in Colonial Uniform. Members of the local area press were there to document the presentations.

Election of Chapter Officers and Induction to be completed at a later date.

Information for Annual Reports, include activities attended supporting SAR and Veteran's Events. Documented visits to these events will qualify our Chapter for Patriot Awards. All information and other efforts to support Veterans should be sent to Chapter President Michael Greco for inclusion in the Annual Report.

A motion by Compatriot Bruton to add to the sign in a list of events Chapter members volunteered in support of Veteran's activities, and if possible a document identifying the event. Motion seconded by Compatriot Rhyne. Motion passed and approved.

125th TXSSAR Annual Convention. To be held in the Woodlands, TX. (Conroe) March 26th - March 29th 2020. Hotel information can be found on the TXSSAR web site. Seminar for the use of the Musket for Salute. Texas Jack in Fredericksburg, TX might be able to provide help with clothing worn in the Colonial era.

Color Guard Awards and Activities. Check the TXSSAR web site for requirements for awards.

Program

Compatriot Gary Bruton gave outstanding audio/visual presentation on using Fold3 Military Genealogy research site.

Using the Fold3 web site you can only access public information. There will soon be a link to Patriot Research System.

Fold3 has links from the American Revolution to current wars.

Ways to request military records

mail or fax a Request Pertaining to Military Records (Standard Form SF 180) to:

the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC)

Download Form SF 180 (PDF)

Write a letter to the NPRC. Send it along with the SF 180 to:

1 Archives Drive

St Louis, Missouri 63138

Visit the NPRC in person.

Closing Admonition given by President Greco

Benediction given by President Greco

Next meeting will be February 11, 2020

Meeting adjourned at 12:30PM

Glenn Rhyne
Secretary, SAR
Bluebonnet Chapter #41
