

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Dallas Chapter

## TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

November 11, 2006

The meeting of the Dallas Chapter, SAR, was called to order at 8:20 a.m. in the Mesquite Room at the Embassy Suites, (13131 North Central Expressway, Dallas, Texas) by Chapter President, Tom Smith. Most members had previously processed through the breakfast line.

Chaplain Frank Pounders reported that he was unaware of any prayer concerns. The Chaplain then proceeded to give the Invocation for the day.

President Tom Smith introduced to the chapter Dr. James Johnson, TXSSAR Color Guard Commander, and his wife Dr. Mary Lynn Johnson who would be presenting a program titled "Fine Art in the Eighteenth Century" later in the meeting.

Compatriot Al Sloane led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag, Compatriot Bill Richardson led the Pledge to the Texas Flag, and Former Chapter President Cliff Slagle led the Pledge to the SAR Flag. Past President Tracy Pounders led the members in the singing of "America."

Past President and Head Greeter Ralph McDowell introduced and thanked our Greeter, Compatriot George Monroe. Guests and prospective members attending the meeting were then introduced.

Past President Art Ingalls shared a humorous story with the chapter.

The usual Americanism portion of the program was replaced by the Veterans Day Parade to be held later in the day in downtown Dallas.

President Tom Smith announced that several members had attended the Board of Managers Meeting in Houston, Texas. He reported the following two items of interest:

- On Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, Texas first SAR Chapter, Chapter #1, of Galveston, will recognize the 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of TXSSAR.
- The Patriot Medal, one of the most prestigious awards authorized by the National Society of the SAR will be awarded to two members of the Dallas Chapter; Past Presidents Tom Whitelock and Mark Hansen.

President Smith shared that the Chapter's Annual Report is due on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007. He then requested participation from each chapter member by emphasizing the importance of the report. Compatriot D. A. Sharpe will use the report as the Table of Contents of the Chapter's Yearbook.

District VI Vice President Tom Whitelock reported that 88 prospective SAR members were identified by chapter participants while working the Information Table at the State Fair. He indicated that 44 of those prospective candidates were directly linked to the Dallas Chapter. He then thanked participants for their help at the Fair.

District VI Vice President Tom Whitelock announced that the following members have been identified as candidates for the leadership of the Dallas Chapter for 2007. Past President Tracy Pounders made a motion to accept the nominees, as presented, to be the candidates as officers of the Dallas Chapter during the year 2007. The motion was seconded by acclamation. The election of officers will occur at the December Chapter meeting. The prospective officers nominated were:

President	Dr. H. Charles Baker
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Robert M. Clark Jr.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Dr. Allen L. Christian, Sr.
Secretary	Charles Byron Christian
Treasurer	Henry J. Voegtler, III
Registrar	Gerald Irion
Historian	Dwight A. Sharpe
Chaplain	Frank H. Pounders

By motion from Chaplain Frank Pounders and a second from past President Tracey Pounders , the reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting (as posted by Chapter Secretary, Allen Christian, on the Chapter's website) was waived and approved by voice vote.

The Dallas Chapter's Poster Contest Chairman, Compatriot John Morton, reported that the theme for the year 2007 Poster Contest will be "Yorktown". He reported that a poster submitted by the Dallas Chapter during the 2006 Poster Contest had won third place in the National SAR Contest. He encouraged all Chapter members to consider helping in promoting the contest to area schools.

Treasurer Byron Christian reported that 31 members and 8 guests were in attendance. He also reported that the Chapter's checking account balance was \$1,466.03, the Minuteman Fund had a balance of \$8,364.56, and the Richie Fund balance was \$27,840.33.

Veterans Co-Chairman Grady Fairbairn asked members to complete individual reports on their activities.

First Vice-President Charles Baker announced that the Color Guard will represent the Dallas Chapter on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November during the Dallas Parade. He announced that a replica Liberty Bell and a replica Cannon would also be available for the Chapter's use. He encouraged all members to participate in the parade.

Vice President Baker introduced the speakers of the day. Dr. James Johnson and Dr. Mary Lynn Johnson presented "Fine Arts of the Revolution." After the presentation, Dr. Baker presented the Johnsons with Certificates of Appreciation and a replica Revolutionary War Cannon.

Past President Tracy Pounders made a motion to present a check of \$100.00 to the Jane Douglas Chapter of the DAR to show appreciation for the use of the DAR House during the Texas State Fair. The motion passed by acclamation. Past President Tracy Pounders made a second motion to present a check of \$100.00 to the Texas Society of the Children of the American Revolution. This motion, too, was passed by acclamation.

Past President Tracy Pounders then made a motion to open the floor for nominations for Chapter Officers which was seconded by Compatriot Jim Templin. There were no nominations made. Past President Tracy Pounders then made a motion to close nominations which was again seconded by Compatriot Jim Templin. Nominations were closed.

After Treasurer Byron Christian presided over the door prize drawings, the Benediction was given by Chaplain Frank Pounders, followed by the SAR Closing led by President Smith, who adjourned the meeting at 9:25 a.m. At that time, several members and guests proceeded to the downtown Dallas Veterans' Day Parade.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Allen L. Christian  
Secretary, Dallas Chapter-TXSSAR