

# **Minutes of the Dinner Meeting of the Dallas Chapter**

## **TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

**November 10, 2007**

The Dinner Meeting of the Dallas Chapter, SAR, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Mesquite Room at the Embassy Suites, (13131 North Central Expressway, Dallas, Texas) by Chapter President, Charles Baker.

Chaplain Frank Pounders reported that there were two known ill. Compatriot D.A. Sharp had a pacemaker implanted and is recuperating. Compatriot Bert Huls is sick and in a rehab facility. Chaplain Pounders then led us in a word of prayer.

Will Hartnett led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag, Bob Clark the recently revised Pledge to the Texas Flag and Mark Hansen led the Salute to the SAR Flag. Tracey Pounders led the Chapter and guests in the singing of "America" and "The Star Spangled Banner".

Members and guests then passed through the buffet line and enjoyed the meal.

At 7:50 p.m. all guests and prospective members attending the meeting were introduced.

Compatriot Neal Watts made a book report on "A Worthy Company" about the framers of our Constitution. In the future book reports of this nature will become a regular feature of our monthly meetings.

Last month's minutes created by Chapter Secretary Byron Christian were approved as posted on our website.

Treasurer Hank Voegtle announced that there was approximately \$2,600 in the Chapter account. President Baker estimated attendance at 50 including members and guests. The balances for the Minuteman and Richie funds were as reported last month.

Registrar Al Sloan reported that there were no new members to be inducted this month.

President Charles Baker discussed the Dallas Chapter's participation in the Park Cities July 4 Parade and presented blue ribbons to all present who participated. We won the Patriot Cup. Guest David Hall, who participated with our chapter in the parade with his exact replica of the Liberty Bell was presented a bronze Good Citizenship medal and Certificate for his patriotic efforts.

First Vice President Bob Clark presented a TXSSAR-sanctioned silver Good Citizenship medal to Will Ford Hartnett for outstanding service to the SAR and the community.

Past President Tom Smith announced that the slate for next year's officers has been set with the following:

- President            Bob Clark
- First VP             Hank Voegtle
- Second VP          Frank Pounders
- Secretary          Mike Petridis
- Treasurer          Bob Spence
- Registrar          Al Sloan
- Historian          Paul Dodson
- Chaplain          Art Ingalls
- Editor              Charles Baker

There were no additional nominees from the floor and the slate as presented was approved unanimously by the members present.

First Vice President Bob Clark introduced Past President Tom Smith who in turn introduced the speaker for the evening, Lloyd Bockstruck, Head of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library who made a very entertaining talk about his efforts to clarify existing records of Revolutionary War participants. He had to use pension records since most war records were lost in fires in Washington DC in the early 1800s. These pension records were collected from the various states of the USA at the time of the Revolution.

Past President Tom Whitelock made the Americanism Presentation about the symbolism inherent in the 13 different folds of the American flag. He then presented a special flag to Lloyd Bockstruck for his long-term support of the SAR and our Chapter in particular. The flag was flown over the U.S. Capitol especially for Lloyd Bockstruck at the request of Texas Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson. Tom Whitelock then held a special door prize drawing for all the female guests present.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Frank Pounders, followed by the SAR Closing. The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Byron Christian, Secretary, Dallas Chapter-TXSSAR