

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Dallas Chapter

## TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

December 8, 2007

The meeting of the Dallas Chapter, SAR, was called to order at 8:35 a.m. in the Mesquite Room at the Embassy Suites, (13131 North Central Expressway, Dallas, Texas) by Chapter President Charles Baker. Most members had previously processed through the breakfast line.

Chaplain Frank Pounders reported that Compatriot Bert Huls was doing well and had returned home from the hospital. The Chaplain then noted that Compatriot D. A. Sharpe has recovered from a medical procedure and was present for the meeting today. Chaplain Pounders then proceeded to give the Invocation for the day.

Compatriot Graham Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag, Compatriot George Monroe led the Pledge to the Texas Flag, and Compatriot Gerald Tyler led the Pledge to the SAR Flag. Compatriot John Morton led the members in the singing of "America."

Past President and Head Greeter Ralph McDowell introduced and thanked our Greeters, Compatriots James Templin and Gerald Tyler.

Guests and prospective members attending the meeting were then introduced. Eight members of the DAR were in attendance.

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

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

Treasurer Hank Voegtle reported that 37 members and 13 guests were in attendance. He also reported that the Chapter's checking account balance was \$438.90, the Minuteman Fund had a balance of \$8,329.36, and the Richie Fund balance was unavailable.

Past President Ralph McDowell, chairman of the ad hoc Dues Committee, requested aid from the membership to contact compatriots who have not yet paid their 2008 dues.

TXSSAR District Vice President and former Past President Mark Hansen, chairman of the Eagle Scout Contest Committee, announced that Eagle Scout Tanner Kelly of Rockwall was the 2007 chapter winner of the Eagle Scout contest. He then presented scout Kelly with a check for three hundred dollars. Tanner's parents Jim and Dea Kelly were in attendance.

TXSSAR District Vice President Mark Hansen presented an "Alexander Hamilton Pin" to Compatriot Robert Coker for his contributions to the patriot Fund.

President Charles Baker noted that the Evening Banquet on November 10 was a success. He indicated that a more appropriate date, one that did not conflict with Veterans Day, might be considered for future meetings.

Compatriot D. A. Sharp made a motion that the proposed slate of officers for 2008, announced during the November 2007 meeting, be elected by the membership. The motion was seconded by numerous compatriots. The membership unanimously elected the following:

President:	Robert M. Clark Jr.
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Henry J. Voegtle, III
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Frank H. Pounders
Secretary	Michael G. Petridis
Treasurer	Robert J. Spence
Registrar	Alpheus Sloan III
Historian	Joseph P Dodson
Chaplain	Art B. Ingalls

President Charles Baker displayed a Resolution presented to the Dallas Chapter by the Dallas Independent School Board for its service to the youth of Dallas.

Registrar Al Sloan administered the oath of membership to the following new members: Compatriots Lesley K. and Lyndon K. Geron whose ancestor was patriot Solomon Geron and Compatriots David John Temple and Bradley Harrison Temple whose ancestor was Patriot John Tyler.

Registrar Al Sloan announced that the Dallas Chapter currently has 309 members which include 35 new members.

Dr. Baker then thanked Montye Whitelock, wife of District VI Vice President Tom Whitelock for her years of participation in preparing the chapter newsletter, "The Minuteman". Mrs. Whitelock will retire from this service at the end of the year.

The Americanism Presentation was presented by First Vice President Robert Clark. His topic was "George Washington at Mount Vernon".

First Vice President Robert Clark presented the speaker of the Day, Susan Stephenson Reno, Supervisor of American History DISD. She described the "Structure of the DISD History Curriculum".

After Treasurer Henry Voegtle presided over the door prize drawings, the Benediction was given by Chaplain Art Ingalls, followed by the SAR Closing led by President Baker, who adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Allen L. Christian

Second Vice President for Secretary Byron Christian, Dallas Chapter-TXSSAR