

Minutes of the Meeting of the Dallas Chapter

TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

May 10, 2008

The meeting of the Dallas Chapter, SAR, was called to order at 8:30 a.m. at the Highland Park Cafeteria, (Casa Linda Plaza, Dallas, Texas) by Chapter President, Robert Clark. Most members had processed through the breakfast line.

Second Vice President Frank Pounders reported the illness of Byron Christian's wife Dixie and Bert Huls and then led the invocation.

Past President Tom Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag, Past Vice President Allen Christian led the Pledge to the Texas Flag, and Past President Tom Whitelock led the Salute to the SAR Flag. Past President Tracy Pounders led the Chapter in the singing of "America."

Past President and Head Greeter Ralph McDowell introduced the meeting's greeters, Grady Fairbairn and David Temple.

Guests and prospective members attending the meeting were introduced.

Due to the absence of the Jokemeister, Past President Art Ingalls, Past President Charles Baker entertained the attendees with a humorous "blond" joke.

Last month's minutes created by Secretary Mike Petridis were approved as posted on the web site.

Treasurer Bob Spence announced that there were 32 members and 11 guests present for a total of 43 attendees. He stated that we had \$2,776.18 in the Chapter checking account, \$8,372.89 in the Minute Man Fund, and \$29,628.81 in the Ritchie Fund.

There was no old business brought forth.

Under new business, Second Vice President Frank Pounders announced all the JROTC awards had been given. He requested volunteers to sign up for presentation of the remaining citizenship awards at various schools.

John Morton, Poster Contest Chairman, introduced Vikrant Shirvaikar the Dallas Chapter Winner and State Third Place Winner of the TXSSAR Poster Contest and his mother, Anjali. He presented Vik with a certificate and a check for \$100 and thanked his teacher Mandi Jenkins of Frisco ISD for continuing to be active in supporting the SAR poster contest.

Registrar Al Sloan reported membership at 298 with two applications being submitted. He administered the oath of membership to new SAR member William T. Hall III with the assistance of Mrs. Hall. His Patriot ancestor is Patriot John Girault of Virginia.

Chapter Color Guard Commander Bob Northcraft announced Color Guard events on May 24 for the Ennis Polka Fest, on May 26 in Duncanville and at Restland Memorial Park, and on July 4 in Lake Highlands and in the Park Cities.

Past President Tom Smith gave The Americanism Presentation on “Other Lineage Societies related to American Independence”.

First Vice President Hank Voegtle introduced the program speaker Mrs. Tara Ross. Her talk covered “The Electoral College”. After her talk she was given a miniature Cannon as a token of our gratitude and a Certificate of Appreciation will be mailed to her.

Treasurer Bob Spence conducted the door prize drawing, Second Vice President Frank Pounders gave the Benediction and President Clark led the SAR Closing.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Temple
Acting Secretary