

Minutes of the Meeting of the Dallas S.A.R. Chapter

October 08, 2011

The meeting of the Dallas Chapter, S.A.R., was called to order at 8:30 a.m. at the Presbyterian Village North by Chapter FVP Bob Northcraft. He asked for a sick call report from Chaplin Frank Ponders who reported that those ill included Bill Holland, Bob Warren, Ron Howard, Dick Arnold, Helen Templin, and Herthe Northcraft. Also Chaplin Frank Ponders gave the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag, and the Salute to the S.A.R. flag were led respectively by Compatriots D.A. Sharpe, Glenn Toal, and James Templin. FCP Tracy Ponders led the Chapter in singing the first stanza of "America."

FCP Ralph McDowell introduced Chaplin Frank Ponders and Compatriot James Templin as today's greeters.

Jokemeister FCP Art Ingalls and FCP Charles Baker both told humorous jokes.

Officer reports:

- a. The minutes of the September meeting taken by Secretary Robert Kittrell have been approved and posted on our website.
- b. Registrar John Guittard stated that there were 281 members of the Dallas Chapter and 3 apps.
- c. Color Guard Commander, Charles Baker, asked for more volunteers for the Veteran's Parade on November 11 and taking a shift at the D.A.R. House at the State Fair.
- d. Treasurer James Fairbairn reported a total of 40 in attendance including 31 members and 9 guests. He further stated that there was \$4788.60 in checking, the Minuteman Fund \$8402.08, and the Ritchie Fund \$30,425, 49.
- e. SVP, Nick Harper, had no report.
- f. No report by Jim Fairbairn on Veterans Affairs

FCP Tom Whitelock still needs more donations for children at Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in the way of stuffed animals, puzzles, board games, coloring books, and markers. The Dollar Store carries inexpensive items.

D.A.R. member Janette Prasifka, founder of Old Worn Flag Movement, spoke on retiring old worn American flags by fire which will be done November 6 at 2:00 p.m. on Flag Pole Hill. FCP Tom Whitelock described the ceremony and its value at Flag Pole Hill and invited Chapter members to attend.

State officer Chancellor Hank Voegtle presented a C.A.R. Medal and Certificate to Society President James Taber who came with his family.

FVP Bob Northcraft introduced the main speaker Compatriot Bill Covington who described in detail the clothing worn, the musket and bayonet, and personal items used by the colonial soldier. He had such items on display. He was given a Liberty Bell and a Certificate of Appreciation by Bob Northcraft.

Treasurer Jim Fairbairn conducted the door prize drawing.

Chaplin Frank Ponders, who was given several cupcakes for his birthday earlier, gave the Benediction.

The S.A.R. Recessional was led by FVP Bob Northcraft.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Robert Kittrell, Secretary

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