

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

November 12, 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 President David Temple. He asked for a sick call report from Chaplin Frank Pounders who reported that those ill were both WWII veteran Douglas Peabody, who is in rehab, and Jack Reed, who has cancer. Frank Pounders 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, was led respectively by Compatriots Former State President Bob Coker, Mark Howell, and Robert Kittrell. FCP Tracy Pounders led the Chapter in singing the first stanza of "America."

FCP Ralph McDowell introduced Chaplin Frank Pounders and Secretary Bob Kittrell as today's greeters.

President David Temple recognized the guests including State President Elect Bob Clark.

Both Jokemeister Art Ingalls and later FCP Charles Baker told some funny jokes.

Officer reports:

- a. The minutes of the October meeting taken by Secretary Robert Kittrell have been approved and posted on our website.
- b. Registrar John Guittard inducted two new members into the Chapter, Bobby Hood and Charles Alspach.
- c. Color Guard Commander FCP Charles Baker spoke of the success of three past events, the Flag Retirement Ceremony, the D.A.R. House at the State Fair and prospective member list, and the Veterans Day parade. D.A.R. member of the Jane Douglas Chapter, Jeanette Prasifka, founder of the Old Worn Flag Movement, was presented a Certificate of Appreciation.
- d. Treasurer James Fairbairn reported 33 members in attendance and 8 guests. He further stated that there was \$4, 785.60 in checking, \$30,425.49 in the Ritchie Fund, and \$8,402.11 in the Minuteman Fund.
- e. SVP Nick Harper reported making pictures of the Veterans Day parade.
- f. No report by Jim Fairbairn on Veterans Affairs.

New Business:

- a. Chaplin Frank Pounders, who is on the nominating committee, gave a list of officers for 2012 including Bob Northcraft as President, Nick Harper as First Vice President, Robert Kittrell as Second Vice President, and John Guittard as Secretary. Offices now available are those of Registrar and Treasurer.
- b. The Bylaws of the Chapter are to be published twice in the next two issues of the newsletter.
- c. Chapter President David Temple asked for a volunteer to handle the visit to the Veterans Hospital with donated magazines from the members. Compatriot Harry Friedrich volunteered.

FVP Bob Northcraft presented the main speaker, Compatriot Mike Radcliff, dressed as a colonial gave a superb speech of George Mason who argued for individual and states' rights to be included in the U.S. Constitution. He feared the encroachment of a central government without the guarantee of rights in the Constitution. Afterwards Mike Radcliff was given a Certificate of Appreciation and a Liberty Bell by FVP Bob Northcraft.

The Americanism part of the agenda was FVP Bob Northcraft presentation of a short video of the life of deceased Compatriot David Hall who recently died of pancreatic cancer and the impact he made on both his family and the public with the traveling liberty bell. He attended with the bell 450 military funerals, besides schools and parades.

Treasurer Jim Fairbairn held the door prize drawing.

Chaplin Frank Pounders gave the benediction.

The S.A.R. recessional was led by President David Temple.

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

Robert Kittrell, Secretary

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