

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

December 10, 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 the deaths of Compatriot Delora Lewis and Art Ingalls' wife. Chaplin 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 by Chapter President David Temple. FCP Tracy Pounders led the Chapter in singing the first stanza of "America."

Chief Greeter Ralph McDowell introduced Greeters Chaplin Frank Pounders and Secretary Robert Kittrell.

President David Temple recognized the guests including state officers Vice President District 6 Harmon Adair and Chancellor Hank Voegtle.

FCP Charles Baker told some semi-humorous jokes.

Robert Tanner was recognized for his 90th birthday by FCP Ralph McDowell with a cupcake with one candle.

Officer reports:

- a. The Minutes of the November meeting taken by Secretary Robert Kittrell have been approved and posted on the website.
- b. Registrar John Guittard was absent and no new members were inducted.
- c. Color Guard Commander, Charles Baker, had no report.
- d. Treasurer reported the total attendance of 39 with 30 members and 9 guests. The checking account had \$4,338.07, the Minuteman Fund \$8,404.16, and the Ritchie Fund \$30,437.79.
- e. Second Vice President Nick Harper had no report.
- f. Mark Howell, the newsletter editor, had no report.
- g. FCP Ralph McDowell mentioned the dues request for 2012 came earlier than usual.
- h. President's report

The bylaws will be printed in the next newsletter for a second time. There will be a vote on them in January.

There are openings for Historian and Registrar.

There were certificates of appreciation given by President David Temple for the Dallas Chapter members who worked at the State meeting including Charles Baker as treasurer and wife, FCP Tom Smith and his wife who worked in registration, along with Jim Fairbairn, Mark Hansen, Nick Harper, and Bob Northcraft and his wife, Tom Whitelock in raising funds for the Patriotic Fund. State President Elect Bob Clark was also awarded a certificate of appreciation for his work at the state meeting.

Second Vice President Nick Harper received a 50 year membership pin and certificate of appreciation for years of service from President David Temple.

FCP Charles Baker showed an excellent video of the Flag Retirement Ceremony at Flag Pole Hill made by Nathan Hunsinger who was given a certificate of appreciation for the Americanism program.

FCP Charles Baker and FCP Tom Whitelock had their picture made in color guard uniform standing in front of the Nances' barn in DeSoto, Texas, the oldest structure in Dallas County. The picture appeared in "Neighbors Go," *Dallas Morning News*, SW Edition, Friday, December 2.

FVP Bob Northcraft introduced the speaker Mrs. Elizabeth Klammer, Regent of the Jane Douglas Chapter of the DAR, spoke on the topic "The Role of Women in the American Revolutionary War." It was interesting to note that women and children followed husbands into the army where they did the cooking and laundry and that uncommon women were spies including Elizabeth's ancestor. As part of her presentation, she also said the library at the Continental House at Fair Park will be open and equipped with internet and research books available on ancestors for Dallas S.A.R. members to utilize. FVP Bob Northcraft presented her with a Freedom bell and a certificate of appreciation for her presentation. She was also awarded The Martha Washington Medal by President David Temple for reestablishing the relationship of the SAR in the Continental House.

Treasurer Jim Fairbairn conducted the door prize drawing.

Chaplin Frank Pounders gave the Benediction.

President David Temple gave the S.A.R. Recessional.

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