

Saturday March 13, 2021

Dallas SAR Chapter ZOOM Meeting Agenda
Call to Order 9:05am – President

Meeting Rules of Engagement – VP Mark Harrison

Invocation – Chaplin Frank Pounders

Pledges – Historian – Brent Harshman

Welcome – Members and Guests

Introduction of the morning speaker – Van Fossen

Cadet Kathleen Dang – 1st Place – State Enhanced JROTC \$300 – now competing at the National Level “How does participation in the JROTC help”

**Jakob Sogan – 1st Place – Knight Essay \$300 “Who was John Paul Jones”
2nd Place – C.A.R. Essay \$300**

Ms. Gayle Kidd – 1st Place – Cullins Lake Point Elementary School **History Teacher essay winner \$300 – now competing at the National Level “America – Land of the free” Cullins Lake Point Elementary School – 3rd Place – Youth History Poster**

Oration Contest participant - Faith Ethridge “Common Sense”

Introduction of Youth Programs - Harrison

John Hamlin – State SAR Vice President – Contests, Medals and Awards 125th TXSSAR medal for sale \$30 for all members. Chapter Service medal award for chapter service by Chapter President. Discussed the individual programs offered by the SAR. We will make the contest awards for 2021 at the State Convention in April. We need chairmen for the various committees. Please contact me. The members of the Dallas Chapter discussed the sharing of the contestants between the different chapters because some of the chapters have more contestants that they would like to share with other chapters.

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary – Bill Watts – approval of the February minutes

1st Vice President – Harrison

Dr. Otis Stonestreet will present the Battle of Cowan's Ford.

2nd Vice President – Given by President Tom Van Fossen - Jack Carpenter has sent 54 contact letters for JROTC and Good Citizenship. He has 10 awards. 2 will be in person, 3 via Zoom and 4 by other members of the chapter. Jack has done a wonderful job this year.

Registrar – Jerry Pinkerton – We have 2 new members but we haven't received their packages as of this time. We will induct a member via Zoom on March 20th. We have 3 that have not been inducted. We have sent 4 applications for the Van Fossen family to National.

Asst. Registrar – Mark Morgan

Historian – Brent Harshman – The scrapbook is being finished. Last years as well as well as this years will be judged.

Treasurer – Nick Harper – Report has been submitted.

Color Guard Commander – Bill Watts Report given by Mark Harrison. Bill Watts lost his internet connection.

Since our last chapter meeting we have attended

February 13th 242nd Anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek Georgia

February 20th 240th Anniversary Crossing of the Dan Virginia

February 27th 245th Anniversary Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge North Carolina

The Dallas Chapter has had the highest attendance at the National events from the state of Texas. Well done Dallas Chapter!

And this afternoon the 240th Anniversary of the Battle of Guilford Courthouse at 2pm North Carolina Zoom will open at 1pm Texas time

In the future we will have a Texas Society Color Guard gathering in Wimberley, Texas to video a flag rising and musket firing to be used at the State Convention. This video will be used in the future for various programs. We will be filming at the Veterans Memorial Plaza in Wimberley, Texas on April 10th at 11am.

We will also have the opportunity to participate in the Halifax Resolve Commemoration at 10am on April 12th. I don't have the final details as of this time.

On Wednesday April 14th we will be participating at Providence Christian School in Dallas, Texas. The Dallas Chapter has participated in the Colonial Days Celebration for many years. The participation by our Color Guard counts as a National Patriots Day event.

The State Convention participation is a Zoom event. Be sure to register if you want to attend the Convention.

At the present time Tom Whitelock, Robert Kittrell, David Temple, Jerry Pinkerton, Mike Petridis, Jerry Brown, Mark Harrison, Tom Van Fossen, J D Martin, Mark Morgan and Brent Harshman are members of the Dallas Chapter Color Guard. If you want to be a part of the Dallas Chapter Color Guard please contact me and I'll put you on our mailing list.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – Tom Van Fossen talked to Presbyterian Village and they are not considering allowing outsiders into the facility until around July. We are considering doing something like East Fork Trinity. They have their meeting live and via Zoom. We are looking at places where we can go and broadcast at the same time. We will open this to the membership when we find a place. The coin is being produced by a veterans organization. The Dallas Chapter Challenge coins (metal) are on sale for \$10 each or 2 for \$15.

DOOR PRIZE – Dr. Moor won the door prize.

BENEDICTION – Tracy Pounders

SAR RECESSIONAL – Brent Harshman

ADJOURNMENT - President