



The MINUTEMAN

Dallas Chapter

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Texas Society - Sons of the American Revolution



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Ventana by Buckner South Tower, Grand Hall
8301 N US 75-Central Expressway - Dallas, TX 75225

Good Sense is a Thing all need, few have, and none think they want.

Breakfast – 8:00am

Meeting – 9:00am

DALLAS CHAPTER 2022 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Mark H. Harrison

1st VICE-PRESIDENT/PROGRAMS

Thomas F. Van Fossen

2nd VICE-PRESIDENT/AWARDS

JD Martin

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William B. Watts

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Mark Morgan

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

Jerry Pinkerton

CHAPLAIN

Frank H. Pounders

HISTORIAN

M. Brent Harshman

COLOR GUARD COMMANDER

William B. Watts

AGENDA

Call to Order – President Harrison

Rules of Engagement –

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**Mark H. Harrison
PRESIDENT**

Invocation – Mark Harrison

Pledges

American Flag – Chalmers Omberg

Texas Flag – Tom Milson

SAR – Tom Van Fossen

Welcome – President Harrison – Welcome to all

Remember Mother's Day! We want to recognize and honor all mothers that are here today. All mothers are asked to stand and be recognized.

Remember this will be our last Zoom Meeting!



Some of our guests

Visitors

State President - Jim Kuykendall
 Dist VP - Ron Turner
 Veterans Committee - John Greer
 State CG Commander – Bob Kubin
 Inland Registrar – Jerry Pinkerton

Past State President - Drake Peddie
 State Historian - John Anderson
 McKinney Pres – Tom Milson
 Historian EFT – Les Anderson
 Dist VP – Tom Van Fossen

Chalmers Omberg – wife Mari and daughter Julie from San Diego, CA

Jerry Pinkerton – wife Judy and three grandsons Aiden, Riley, and Gavin. My daughter Heather who brought my grandsons.

STATE YOUTH AWARD WINNERS

We have a unique opportunity today to hear from two Chapter winners, Spencer Burke and Suvonna Bynum.



Spencer Jackson Burke won 1st place in the state H. Ross Perot Eagle Scout Scholarship, 4th place in the Texas C. A. R Scholarship Essay and 2nd place in the George S & Stella Knight Essay Scholarship.

His topic for his essay was Molly Pitcher.

Suvonna Bynum won 1st place in the Region 4 Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Award and 6th place in the State Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Award.

Her topic for the oration is John Paul Jones.



Introduction of our morning Speaker – President Harrison

Our speaker today is our State President Jim Kuykendall and he will talk about his “Be Someone Special – Be A Mentor” program.

The SAR offers activities, fellowship and opportunities. But as time goes on the joy of joining fades away. There are many reasons but we need to focus on how to keep the joy alive.



That’s why the Mentor Program is needed. This program will train individuals to mentor new members. It will be a special program and this pin is very special. It’s special because it will be earned, not given.

Remember why you joined and our purpose. Be a part of the SAR – Get involved.



Jim Kuykendall
President - Texas
State Society SAR

“Be Someone Special – Be A Mentor”

Past Dallas Chapter President, Tom Van Fossen presents Texas Society State President Jim Kuykendall with an Eagle and Certificate of Appreciation. Mark Morgan the Dallas Chapter President thanks Jim for his presentation and wishes him all the best for the rest of his term in office.



**What do you call twin babies waiting to be born?
Report.**

Find the answer after Color Guard

NEW MEMBERS



New Members of the Dallas Chapter



Aiden Pinkerton – Elisha Garland
 Riley Pinkerton – Elisha Garland



Cameron Aiton – Phenias Catin



Drake Peddie presented Tom Whitelock with two awards. The Distinguished Service Certificate for all Tom has done for the Texas SAR and a certificate for perfect attendance since Tom's induction at the Dallas Chapter.



Presentation of T-3 from Tom Whitelock, T1

“Many years ago a good friend named Tom and I created a Key Club of sorts, of men who are active in the SAR. Tom Smith a former President was very active and he was the first “T” that is T-0. Because there are so many active members in the SAR whose name is Tom we need a way to sort them out. I’ve been called T-1 for a long time and when Tom Van Fossen came around he became T-2. We now have a new Tom, a T-3; Tom Milson.”, Tom Whitelock. I award you the official T-3 hat!



Tom Milson, “It’s a high bar that they have set and I will try to meet it.”

MAY 2022 ANNIVERSARIES

★ 15 Years

★ Joshua Tate

★ 20 Years

★ Chalmers Omberg

★ 25 Years

★ Edgar Nace

★ 30 Years

★ James Ellison

★ 35 Years

★ Daniel Carrier

Happy Anniversary

OFFICERS REPORTS



William B. Watts
SECRETARY

Secretary

Jerry Pinkerton made the motion and Les Anderson seconded and the minutes were approved.

As a side note; The 100th Anniversary of the Dallas Chapter will in 2029. That’s 7 years from now. Time will pass very quickly.

As the Chairman of the Northern District Patriot Graves Committee I will be gathering information on the various Chapters for the 250 Yearbook

project for the Texas Society SAR. I already have the first 3 histories of the Dallas Chapter, 1929 to 1991. I also have pictures of many of the past presidents of the Chapter.

If you have information, pictures or other historical data that can be used to produce a 100th Anniversary book please contact me at bill_watts@att.net. I will be happy to get with you and gather the information.

Treasurer Report

Proposed Budget for 2022

	Annual Budget
Revenue	\$8,612
Expenses	\$7,961
Profit/Loss	\$651

Financials as of 30 April 2022

	Annual Budget	Actual YTD
Revenue	\$8,612	\$1,308
Expenses	\$7,961	\$2,777
Profit/Loss	\$651	\$1,469



Carl N. Harper
TREASURER

Balance Sheet – Assets

Prosperity Bank Account

Opening Balance (31 Dec 2021)	\$8,295
Loss	\$1,469
Closing Balance (30 Apr 2022)	\$6,826

North Dallas Bank & Trust Account

Ritchie Fund	\$29,743
Minuteman Fund	\$9,324



Mark Morgan
REGISTRAR

We have been very active as a Chapter. National is still a little slow in approvals but we have had some surprises. One of the supplemental applications that were rejected by National for Bill Watts was received as approved. A very good start for the genealogist's at National.

Registrar

2022 Registrar Activity

- ★ 106
 - In Progress at Chapter — 35
 - At National for Review — 8
 - (6 Regular, 1 Supplemental, 1 Memorial)
 - Approved — 47
 - Closed — 16
- ★ 47
 - New Members Approved — 5
 - Memorial Applications Approved — 0
 - Supplemental Applications Approved — 42
- ★ 14
 - New Member Inductions YTD — 3
 - New Members Inducted Today — 3
 - New Members to be Inducted — 8

Historian

Send pictures of events
for future yearbooks to:
Brent Harshman
brentharshman@protonmail.com



Brent Harshman
HISTORIAN

Awards

- ★ 40 JROTC Letters Sent
- ★ 14 Replies Received
- ★ 11 Presentations Completed
(Certificates & Medals)



JD Martin
2nd VP AWARDS

In person awards that are upcoming. Please volunteer to participate.

Date	School	Time
May 10	Nimitz HS	06:00pm *
May 11	Irving HS	05:00pm *
May 13	MacArthur HS	05:30pm *

Color Guard – Commander Watts

April 13 Providence Christian School Patriots
Day Celebration



Our Gang



April 23 The Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville, Texas



We were in the street honoring those who gave there all for OUR country,
The United States of America!





April 29 Funeral of Louis Juarez a member of the McKinney Chapter

April 30 we will participate with other Color Guard members in Greenville, Texas when Ambassador Fletcher Warren Chapter presents medals to Police and Fire Department.



May 1 Grave marking ceremony for Fletcher Warren a Dallas Chapter Compatriot.





William Fletcher Warren was a member of the Dallas Chapter. He was a United States Ambassador to many foreign countries. He aided in stopping a war in South American and participated in the formation of the CIA. Uncle Fletch as he was called by one of his relatives brought to our attention that a book had been written about Mr. Warren.



T L Holden and Bill Watts recover after firing.

May 5 Present the Colors at the Preston Trails DAR in Pottsboro



In the future

May 21 Eisenhower State Park Color Guard Rally

After the Rally Gary Barker has invited us to Fire our weapons in a field near his house. There will be an opportunity for you to fire your musket and learn how to clean it after firing.

You will need to bring some cotton rags or old cotton T-shirts to aid in cleaning.

Bring something to drink as it will be hot and you will need fluids.

I am bringing powder, cleaning supplies and equipment for cleaning. For those of you who have never fired your weapon we will help you learn the safe way to fire your musket.

May 30 Memorial Day - TBA

June 11 Flag Retirement program

If you have any old or worn Flags please bring them to the next Chapter meeting. We will be leaving the meeting to attend a Flag Retirement program. At the program we will be honoring the two people responsible for the success of 'OLD WORN FLAGS'.

All are invited to attend the event. So, bring your old worn Flags!

As a side note; Keep track of your attendance at events. Tom Van Fossen has earned medals that I didn't know about – **way to go Tom!**

Frontier Village is 17-acre preservation of a pioneer village and museum. At the entrance to the park is a 16' bust of President Dwight D Eisenhower in recognition of Denison, TX as his birthplace.

Location: Grayson County Frontier Village
111 RC Vaughan Dr
Denison, TX

Date: Saturday May 21, 2022

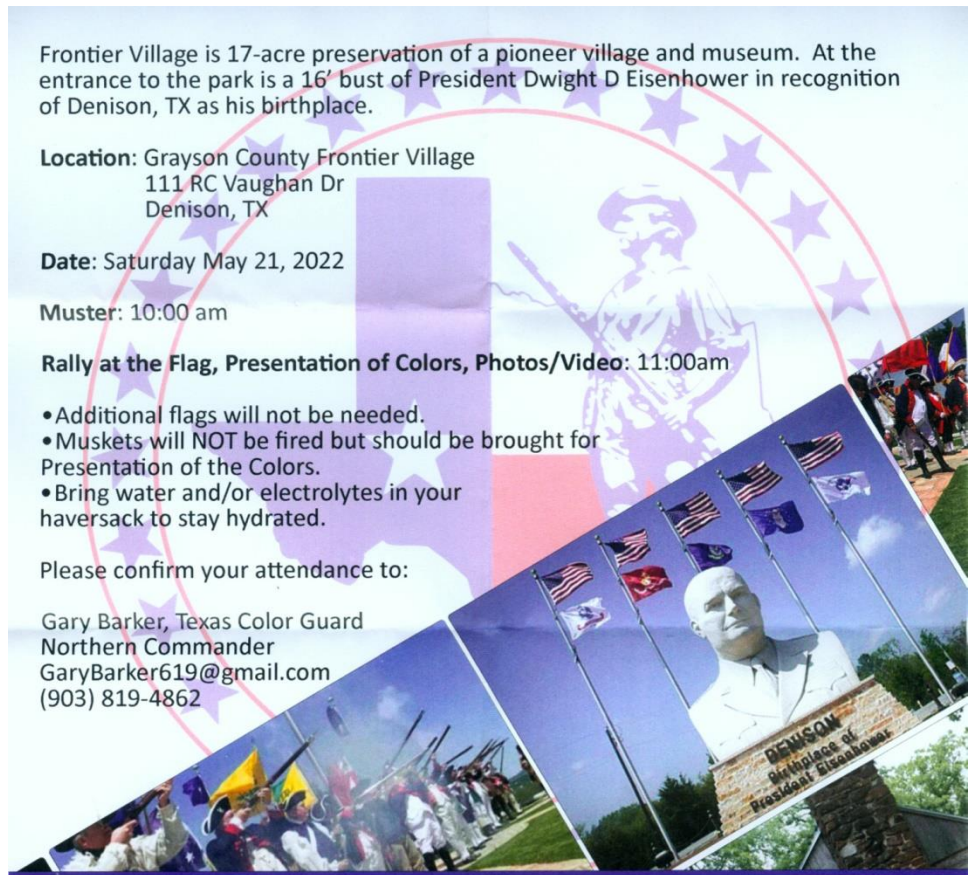
Muster: 10:00 am

Rally at the Flag, Presentation of Colors, Photos/Video: 11:00am

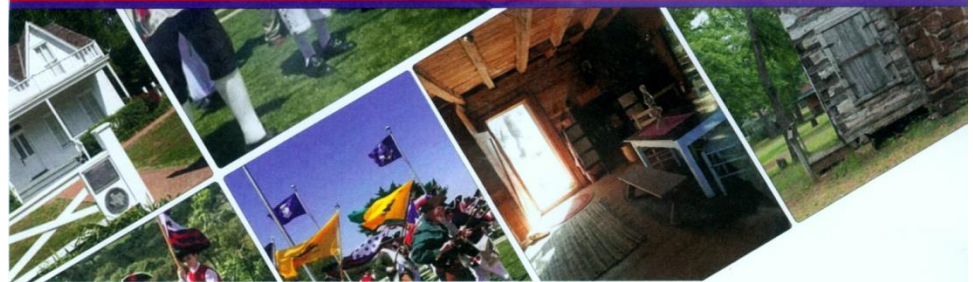
- Additional flags will not be needed.
- Muskets will NOT be fired but should be brought for Presentation of the Colors.
- Bring water and/or electrolytes in your haversack to stay hydrated.

Please confirm your attendance to:

Gary Barker, Texas Color Guard
Northern Commander
GaryBarker619@gmail.com
(903) 819-4862



Sons of the American Revolution, Texas Society
Armed Forces Day Recognition/State Color Guard Rally



The Dallas Chapter has been challenged to mark the graves of past presidents. I'm working on a list of past presidents of the Dallas Chapter. Once the list is complete we need to find and mark the graves of those who have worked for our Chapter in the past. I have already found one, visited the cemetery and am now looking for permission to mark the grave. I will have details in the near future.

Tom Milson discussed some the men that the McKinney Chapter has lost in the past year. The McKinney Chapter lost a Vice President of Awards Louie Juarez and a Treasurer Ralph Thompson. I was worried that I could not honor his memory but the Dallas Chapter came to the rescue.

**Answer to the question, What do you call twin babies waiting to be born?
Wombmates!**

It's Mother's Day – If you forgot to get something for the little lady, I've got a bargain! \$2.00, will get you in the house with a flower and candy – Did I Say A Bergan!!!!

Merchandise Table



We have Metal and Wood Challenge Coins, 125th Anniversary Medal Set, and an SAR House Banner to aid our Chapter in the efforts raise money for our youth programs. Anyone wanting to donate to the store please get in touch with Tom Whitelock.

Tickets are being sold for the New SAR Museum in Louisville, Kentucky



Tom Whitelock
Ye Olde Shoppe Keeper

OLD BUSINESS –

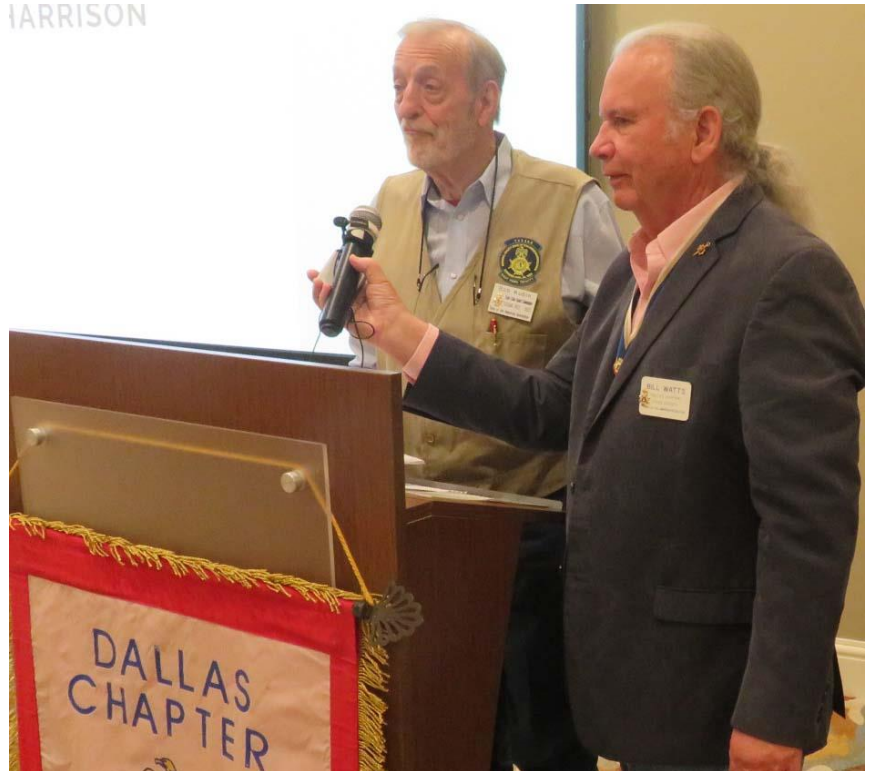
We will no longer be broadcasting via Zoom. But we will be videoing our meeting and will post it on You Tube. So, if you can't make the meeting you can view it on You Tube.

NEW BUSINESS –

John Greer wants everyone who served in Vietnam to receive a Veterans pin. If you need one please see John Greer.

Bob Kubin presented Certificates to men who earned the Bronze Color Guard medal. Mark Harrison received his certificate. The Color Guard gave 26 Bronze Color Guard medals this year versus 19 last year. We had 56 participants at the Medal of Honor Parade. Last year we had 42 last year, a big increase. I want to give a big thank you to Gary Barker my adjutant for all his work.

HARRISON

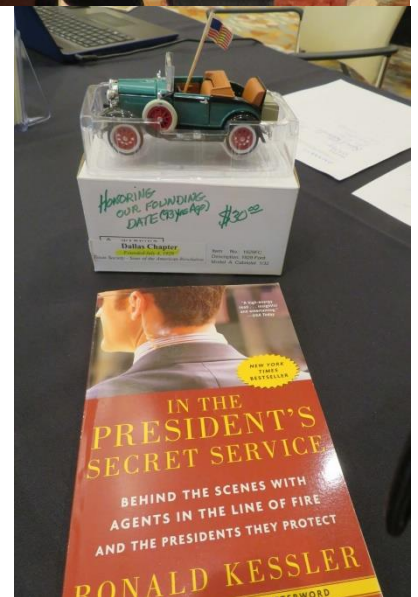


DOOR PRIZE –

Via Zoom – Bill Johnson “In The President’s Secret Service”



In Person – a 1929 model car made when our Chapter was founded was won by Gavin Pinkerton.



TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

“I’m kedge”, I replied. What does this mean? The Colonial-era meaning is I’m doing fine or in good health, because you just asked me “How ya’ du’n mate?”

What does **“cat’s-paw”** mean and can you use it in a sentence?

BENEDICTION – Mark Harrison

SAR RECESSIONAL – John Greer

NEXT MEETING IS SATURDAY JUNE 11th @ 9:00AM

Join us at our next Chapter meeting:

Pat Thibodeau will be speaking on “1320 Words”. Join us for this exciting opportunity.

08:00 am - Breakfast buffet for \$10 including raffle ticket for door prize

09:00 am - Meeting program

Committee Opportunities Available at the Dallas Chapter

- ▶ Public Relations & Publicity
- ▶ Community Service Awards
- ▶ Member Retention
- ▶ CAR Liaison
- ▶ DAR Liaison
- ▶ Annual Audit
- ▶ American History Teacher
- ▶ Brochure Contest (MS)
- ▶ CAR Essay Contest
- ▶ Eagle Scout Essay Contest
- ▶ Knight Essay Contest (HS)
- ▶ Oration Contest (HS)
- ▶ Poster Contest (Elem)
- ▶ Speaker’s Bureau

**For more information concerning volunteer opportunities please contact;
Tom Whitelock tmwpro@live.com**



DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION MEETING LOCATION (A) PARKING AREA (B)

