



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**

If your head is wax, don't walk in the sun.

Breakfast – 8:00am

Meeting – 9:00am

PRESIDENT

Mark H. Harrison

1st VICE- PRESIDENT/PROGRAMS

Thomas F. Van Fossen

2nd VICE- PRESIDENT/AWARDS

JD Martin

SECRETARY

Bill Watts

TREASURER

Carl N. Harper

REGISTRAR

Mark Morgan

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

Jerry Pinkerton

CHAPLAIN

Frank H. Pounders

ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN

Larry Luby

HISTORIAN

Brent Harshman

TRUSTEES

Jerry Pinkerton

David Temple

COLOR GUARD COMMANDER

Bill Watts



AGENDA

Call to Order – President Harrison

Rules of Engagement –

This meeting is being filmed and recorded. By joining this in-person or virtual meeting of the Dallas Chapter of the TXSSAR, you acknowledge and agree that these proceedings may be made public.

Invocation – Frank Pounders

Pledges –

American Flag – Chalmers Omberg
Texas Flag – Bob Clark
SAR – Jack Carpenter



Welcome – President Harrison – Welcome to all.

Visitors

Sam Massey, State President
Bob Clark, Former State President
John Greer, Veterans & Flags Com Chair
Ron Turner, Maj. K.M. Van Zandt & Dist. 5 VP
Tom Milson, McKinney Chapter, Dist. 11 VP, Chairman of the Council of Chapter Presidents
Jack Carpenter introduced Tom Washington and Nate Weymouth.
We also have President Elect Tracy Pounders with us today.

David Temple, Former State President
Michael Goode, past President East Fork Trinity
Jim Akers, President Denton Chapter
John Anderson, Arlington & State Historian

This past weekend was the State Convention and our host chapter was Freedom Chapter in Spring, Texas. Our chapter had some special recognition;

Patriot Award – Jerry Pinkerton
Texas SAR Flag Presentation Award – Dallas Chapter – repeat winner
E.A. Limmer Award – (highest % of approved supplemental applications) – Winner – Dallas Chapter – Large Chapter category
Texas SAR Yearbook Award – 1st Place – Dallas Chapter – Large Chapter category – Brent Harshman – Editor – repeat winner
Hartsell O. Stephens Award (most sponsored new compatriots) – Dallas dual member – Tom Milson
Elementary School Poster Contest – Rylee Steffes – 3rd Place
Middle School Brochure Contest – Gloria Archbold – 4th Place
Rumbaugh Oration Contest – Terry Kim – 1st Place
American History Teacher – Teacher of the Year – Elizabeth Rose

We've invited our Youth Award Winners to join us here at our May meeting. Elizabeth Rose will read her essay.

Introduction of our morning Speaker – President Harrison

Sam Massey was sworn in as the new President of the Texas Society last Saturday in Spring, TX at the State Convention. His selection as our newest president follows a long time of service to SAR in a variety of roles. As tradition holds, Sam is making his first speech as State President to the Dallas Chapter.

This isn't Sam's first introduction to hard work. He has held a variety of jobs ranging from working in the hay and tobacco fields, working as a stock boy in a clothing store and building & maintaining the hiking trails at the Philmont Scout Ranch. After securing his bachelor's degree at Middle Tennessee State and an MBA from the University of Tennessee, he has worked in roles ranging from marketing, purchasing, supply chain management and a variety of others. He is currently working in the IT field with a Belgian materials company.

His SAR career started in 2007 where he has served as web master, chaplain, color guard commander, secretary, VP & President. He is a member of the Paul Carrington Chapter in Houston. At a Texas Society level, he was the chairman of the host committee for a State Convention, served as the very first Communication Secretary and a host of other committees. As the President Elect, he was able to ably step in for President Jim Kuykendall while he was incapacitated due to illness. Sam is a dual member with both the New Jersey and Tennessee SAR societies. He is active with the Huguenot Society, the Walker County Historical Commission, the Walker County Genealogical Society and as of last month – an honorary member of the Sons of the Republic of Texas. He is also an Eagle Scout.

Sam and his wife Catherine live in Huntsville where Catherine is an active member of the DAR. Unfortunately, Catherine was unable to join us today. As tradition holds, Sam as the newly minted State President is making his first speech to the Dallas Chapter. Join me in welcoming Texas Society State President Sam Massey

Sam Massey



My wife Catherine and I have been busy these past few months. We have been to San Antonio as we installed the officers for that chapter. In February we were at the George Washington Birthday Celebration in Laredo. I was very pleased to induct a descendent of the Washington family during that celebration. Laredo had their 125th celebration this year. The most important part of this celebration is that the citizens of Laredo are celebrating their citizenship. They are proud to be Americans. In March we were in Louisville, Kentucky for Leadership. The committees are preparing many things for us. Feel free to attend the Leadership meetings, anyone can go and attend. On April fool's day I was sworn in as State President.

I see many brides here today. We really appreciate you and your support. I encourage all of you to participate in the SAR in any way you can.



We have a great influence on the next generation. The 250th anniversary gives us an opportunity to reach the youth of America. We need to use it to teach our youth about our history and there are many ways to do this. There is content on line that can be used.

Just 4 weeks ago, you gentlemen marked the grave of James Lemmon an American Patriot. I had the opportunity to participate in that ceremony. I was moved to see James Lemmon's descendent there. He represents his line just as each one of us represents our line. No matter what our background we all have the opportunity to teach the youth about our history.

Which word describes a quantity of bread or can mean to laze around? Find the answer after Color Guard Report.

Introduction of our Second Morning Speaker – Tom Van Fossen

I want to introduce a professor of history from Collin County College Technical Campus, Jo Jaynes. He will be speaking on Hamilton vs. Jefferson.



Our first political feud was Hamilton vs. Jefferson. Hamilton was Secretary of the Treasury and Jefferson was Secretary of State but more than that these two gentlemen were philosophers.

I'm going to use the musical Hamilton in my talk.

Hamilton believed in a strong federal government, weak state government, a big believer in industry, and a loose interpretation of the constitution.

Jefferson was just the opposite; a weak federal government, strong state government, agricultural economy and a strict interpretation of the constitution.

Hamilton was Washington's right hand man and probably the most important person during the war.

Jefferson and Hamilton were direct opposites in their philosophies on government.



New Member Induction



William Perry Esping, Jr. | *John Van Sant*
State President Massey inducted Perry.

Kyle Prather Luby | *William Devin, Sr.*

Kyle is in Virginia and cannot be here. His father Larry Luby will be his stand in to induct him the next time they are together.



Judy and Larry Luby receiving Kyle's packet.

Milestone Anniversaries - April 2023

★ 5 Years

- ★ Kenneth Irons
- ★ Trace Kaelin
- ★ Justin Long

★ 20 Years

- ★ Louis Dorfman, Jr.



Mark Harrison and Tom Van Fossen presented a certificate to Brent Harshman for the Yearbook Competition.

They also presented Brent with a tricorn hat for a “Hat Trick” for winning 3 years in a row!

The Texas State President authorized an award for members who have long time service to preserving the history of our society. The award is called The Texas Society SAR Historian Honor Award and was created this year by our committee. It is not a national award, it is a Texas award.



John Anderson award Tom Whitelock this certificate and pin.

Americanism Education

John Greer talked about Jim Johnson. They went to Kings Mountain in 2013 in their uniforms.



Education Day



Tom Whitelock talked about the Education Day at the Jane Douglas House. The students really enjoyed the day.

A copy of the Declaration of Independence was provided by the Dallas Chapter for the 7th graders to sign. Their teachers were

grateful to the Jane Douglas DAR Chapter and the Dallas Chapter for the wonderful artifacts provided for the students enjoyment.



Michael and Cynthia Goode, Tom Whitelock and Bill Watts attended the event.

Tom Whitelock Chairman of the Volunteer Committee

We need members to participate in the various committees within the chapter.

Committee Opportunities to Serve

- * Public Relations & Publicity
- * Member Retention
- * DAR Liaison
- * American History Teacher
- * Brochure Contest (MS)
- * Eagle Scout Essay Contest
- * Oration Contest (HS)
- * Speaker's Bureau
- * Community Service Awards
- * CAR Liaison
- * Annual Audit
- * Web and Social Media
- * CAR Essay Contest
- * Knight Essay Contest (HS)
- * Poster Contest (Elem)
- * Greeter

Help keep your chapter active and serving our community, please volunteer today!

OFFICERS REPORTS

Secretary – Mark Harrison gave the report

Minutes Approved – Jerry Pinkerton moved to approved, seconded by Frank Ponders.

The answer to; “Which word describes a quantity of bread or can mean to laze around?”
Loaf!

Treasurer – Harper, As of 31 March 2023

Financials

	Annual Budget	Actual YTD
Revenue	\$8,960	\$2,549
Expenses	\$8,704	\$2,485
Net Gain	\$256	\$64

Balance Sheet — Assets

Prosperity Bank Account		North Dallas Bank & Trust Account	
Opening Balance (31 Dec 2022)	\$9,294	Richie Fund	\$29,916
Net Gain	\$64	Minuteman Fund	\$9,372
Closing Balance (31Mar 2023)	\$9,358		

Registrar – Morgan

Registrar Activity 2023

In Progress at Chapter — 26
 At National for Review — 7
 (4 Regular, 2 Supplemental, 1 Memorial)
 Approved — 9
 Closed — 20
 Total – 62

New Approvals

New Members Approved — 4
 Memorial Applications Approved — 2
 Supplemental Applications Approved — 3
 Total – 9

New Member Inductions YTD — 0
 New Members Inducted Today — 2
 New Members to be Inducted — 6
 Total - 8

Historian – Harshman

Send pictures of events for future yearbooks to:

Brent Harshman
brentharshman@protonmail.com

When submitting photos, please identify the event, the date, and the location.

Color Guard – Adjutant JD Martin

March 16 – 17

DAR State Conference and information table



March 19

Patriot Grave Marking for James Lemmon



March 31 – April 2

TXSSAR Annual Conference Spring, TX



April 3

Educational Presentation to 7th grade at Jane Douglas House



- ★ April 12, 2023, Wed – Patriots Day at Providence Christian School, Dallas
- ★ April 17, 2023, Mon – Immigration and Naturalization Ceremony, UT Dallas, 10:00am muster
- ★ April 22, 2023, Sat – Medal of Honor Parade Gainesville, Texas
- ★ April 27-28, 2023, Thu-Fri – United States Academic Decathlon National Finals

OLD BUSINESS –

Veterans Report

John Morton – Veterans need coffee and personal items (new items)

John Greer – Veterans Administration will be allowing volunteers at the hospitals

Awards Program

JD Martin – Bryant Adams had a great program and provided dinner for the attendees.

Skyline and Mesquite are upcoming events on one day. We need volunteers to go to both schools.

Merchandise Table – Tom Whitelock

We have Metal and Wood Challenge Coins, 125th Anniversary Medal Set, and a Patriot House Banner to aid our Chapter in the efforts raise money for our youth programs.

NEW BUSINESS –

Next Meeting — May 13th @ 09:00am

- ★ HS Teacher Award Winner
- ★ Youth Contest Winners

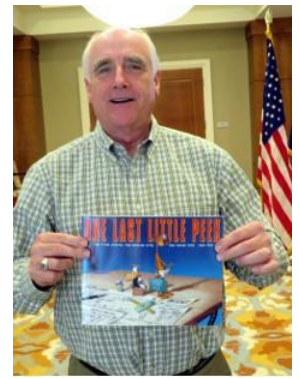
Remember; “I think education is power. I think that being able to communicate with people is power. One of my main goals on the planet is to encourage people to empower themselves.”

DOOR PRIZE –



Franklin of Philadelphia by Edmund Rice

Judy Luby



One Last Little Pee

Gary McFarland

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

“Get away from me you Prigger of Prancers!” In today’s language it means “Get away from me you horse thief!” ‘Prig’ meant to steal and ‘prancer’ meant a horse.

“That’s wonderful; you are a real Simon Pure.” Check right here next month! I hope you are enjoying this little word play.

BENEDICTION – Frank Pounders

SAR RECESSIONAL – David Temple

NEXT MEETING IS SATURDAY May 13th @ 9:00AM

Join us at our next Chapter meeting:

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

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| ▶ Public Relations & Publicity | ▶ Brochure Contest (MS) |
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**For more information concerning volunteer opportunities please contact;
Mark Harrison
Tom Van Fossen**

Respectfully submitted,
William B. Watts, Secretary



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

