



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

Breakfast – 8:00am

Meeting – 9:00am

PRESIDENT

Brent Harshman

1st VICE-PRESIDENT/PROGRAMS

Thomas F. Van Fossen

2nd VICE-PRESIDENT/AWARDS

J. D. Martin

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Mark Morgan

CHAPLAIN

Frank H. Ponders

ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN

Larry Luby

HISTORIAN

Tom Manning

TRUSTEES

Gary Sisson

David Temple

COLOR GUARD COMMANDER

Bill Watts



AGENDA

Call to Order –

President Harshman



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 – Mark Hanson
Texas Flag – Gary Sisson
SAR – Jerry Pinkerton

Mission Statement – All

The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our Country.

Welcome –

We would like to welcome our guests David Temple and Bob Clark former State Presidents, State President Tracy Pounders, Jerry Pinkerton Inland Registrar, Bill Watts Coastal Registrar, Council of State Presidents Chairman Tom



Van Fossen, Michael Goode State Chaplain and District 6 VP and Jack Haughton former Secretary General International Chapter and President of our new Ellis County Chapter and Chairman of the JROTC Committee and a very special welcome to any guests who are in attendance with us today.

Special Award

Nick Harper has served as Chapter Treasurer for 11 consecutive years and has announced he will not be standing for reelection at the end of 2024. Chapter President in 2013, 1st VP 2012, 2nd VP 2011, Secretary 2010, received the Golden Sledge Hammer Award 2014, been a member of the SAR since December of 1961- 63 years of service.

We are presenting the Chapter Distinguished Service Medal.

Tim Chapman will be assisting Nick for the rest of the year and has volunteered to be Chapter Treasurer next year.



Tracy Ponders has something special to announce today.



I would like to say that Frank Ponders past State Chaplain and Chapter President is celebrating his 95th birthday. I have cupcakes for everyone.

250th Anniversary - American Historic Moment
1775 the Second Continental Congress





Introduction of our morning Speaker – Tom Van Fossen

Randy Bush, Plano Chapter Texas SAR *Religion in the English Colonies and Early American Republic: The Great Awakening*

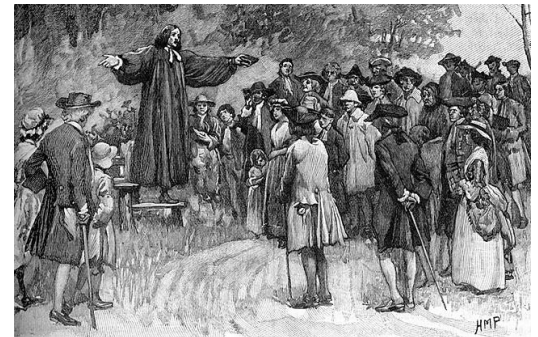
Randy presented the Whisky Rebellion a few months ago and today he will talk about the “Great Awakening”.



Randy began his presentation with the following information.



We talk about the American Revolution in various ways; militarily, socially and politically. Today I'm going to talk about how religion played an important part in the American Revolution and Colonial America. A “Great Awakening” takes place in the United States about every 80 years. A cycle that continues even to today.



The thirteen colonies were made up of many different denominations, but unknown to them a movement called “the Enlightenment” was beginning in Europe.



Brent Harshman and Bill Watts present Randy Bush with a certificate and mug as a thank you for his wonderful presentation.

OFFICERS REPORTS

Secretary – Watts

Chalmers Omberg made a motion to approve and was seconded by Jack Carpenter; the minutes were approved by all in attendance.

Treasurer – Harper



The review of our financials has been completed.



Registrar – Morgan

I learned on Friday that we have a new member – Gus Hinojosa. His approval will open the way to many more applications.

In Progress at Chapter — 15
At National for Review — 17
(3 Regular, 1 Junior, 13 Supplemental)
Approved — 8
Closed — 34

We have a total of 74 Applications

Total 6

New Members Approved — 5
Memorial Applications Approved — 0
Supplemental Applications Approved — 3
Total 8

New Member Inductions YTD — 6
New Members Inducted Today — 0
New Members to be Inducted — 0

Total Active Chapter Members - 250

Historian – Tom Manning

Send pictures of events for future yearbooks to: **Tom Manning**
tommanning.sar@gmail.com

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



Color Guard – Commander Watts

We need a Color Guard Commander for 2025, for the administration and scheduling parts of the position. I will participate but need someone to take over as Color Guard Commander.

2024 Events for September



September 17, 2024 Tuesday – Naturalization Ceremony
UT Dallas-Richardson 800 W Campbell Rd Richardso.

September 17, 2024 Tuesday – Preston Trails
NSDAR Constitution Week celebration.



September 19, 2024 Thursday – Martha Jefferson Randolph NSDAR Constitution Week Celebration
at Lakeway Church Pottsboro.



September 27, - October 20 - Participate in the Recruitment for
Membership in the Sons of the American Revolution at the
Jane Douglas House Daughters of the American Revolution at
the State Fair of Texas.

September 29, 2024 - Sunday – Vietnam Veterans memorial
service presented by the David Pendleton Society of the
Children of the American Revolution at the State Fair.



October 4 – 5 2024 - 44th Annual Texas Hispanic Genealogical and Historical Conference at the Renaissance Dallas North Hotel 1590 LBJ Fwy Dallas in the Trinity Ballroom.



October to the End of the Year

October 31 – November 3 – 2024 Texas Council for the Social Studies at the Kalahari Resort 3001 Kalahari Drive Round Rock, Texas. We need volunteers to talk about the SAR during the conference. Contact Shiidon Hawley at shiidon@gmail.com if you are interested in participating.

November 1 – 3, 2024 Texas SAR BOM in Austin Texas at the Holiday Inn Town Lake 30 North I-35 512 472 8211

November 10, 2024 Sunday – The 44th annual Massing of the Colors, co-hosted by the Ft Worth Chapter MOWW and the Ft Worth ISD JROTC is being held at Birchman Baptist Church, 9100 N. Normandale St, Ft Worth, at 2 pm muster is at 1 pm. **National Event**

November 16, 2024 Saturday – Fields of Honor Event at Red Tail Pavilion at Oak Point Park in Plano 2801 E Spring Creek Pkwy Plano 2:30, Flag program will begin at 3:30 . <https://planoflagsofhonor.com/about-pfoh/> **National Event**

December 7, 2024 Saturday – Dickens on the Strand Parade **State Event**

December 14, 2024 - Saturday – Wreaths Across America at 3900 Oakland Circle, Dallas at 11 am. Muster is at 10 am more information to follow. **National Event**





Tom Van Fossen, T. L. Holden, Dave Fatheree, Bill Graham,
Tom Milson, and Bill Watts

We have a Traveling Trunk and are in need of men willing to go to schools and other venues to talk about Colonial America. We already have three opportunities scheduled for next year 2525!

JROTC

- ★ J. D. Martin | Manpower
- ★ Wayne Stewart | Administration
- ★ Tom Van Fossen | Education

OLD BUSINESS –

Committee Member Opportunities to Serve

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Public Relations & Publicity | Community Service Awards |
| Member Recruitment & Retention | C.A.R. Liaison |
| DAR Liaison | Annual Audit |
| American History Teacher | Web and Social Media |
| Color Guard Members | Brochure Contest (MS) |
| CAR Essay Contest | Eagle Scout Essay Contest |
| Knight Essay Contest (HS) | Oration Contest (HS) |
| Poster Contest (Elem) | Video Contest (MS & HS) |
| Speaker's Bureau | JROTC Members |
| Greeter | |

NEEDED CHAPTER OFFICERS

- ★ President
- ★ 1st Vice-President
- ★ 2nd Vice-President
- ★ Secretary
- ★ Registrar
- ★ Historian
- ★ Treasurer
- ★ Chaplain
- ★ Trustee
- ★ Trustee

If you are interested in volunteering for one of these positions for 2025, please contact John Maloney at jmaloneyMD@gmail.com

NEW BUSINESS –

- ★ **Next Meeting — Saturday, November 9th @ 9am**
Speaker: Lt. General John H. Campbell - Veterans Day
Speaker: Byron Egan - Business Law in the Colonies and U.S. Before and After the Revolution
- ★ **December Meeting –** Due to a scheduling conflict, the December meeting has moved to **December 7th**. Mark your calendars accordingly.
- ★ **2025 Officer Nominations –** John Maloney, Chair

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- ★ 2nd Vice-President
- ★ Secretary
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Jane Douglas Daughters of the American Revolution at the State Fair of Texas

Compatriots John Greer (L) and Tom Whitelock (R) present an official “First Day” button to *Joe Ramos-Operational Officer of the US Vietnam Era War Commemoration* program. Mr. Ramos came to the Texas State Fair from Washington DC to observe and assist our Texas SAR presentation of special *Lapel Pins* by various Chapters’ members to Male and Female Military U.S.

Veterans who served on active duty during the period of Nov. 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975.

Fall Board of Managers Meeting

The Patrick Henry Chapter #11 invites you to the Fall BOM in Austin, Texas. Registration is now open and available on the Texas SAR website under the Events tab. Please make your reservations as soon as possible.



HOTEL INFORMATION:

Registration for the meeting does NOT reserve a hotel room for you. The hotel information can be found at the Texas SAR website under the Events tab.

MEETING REGISTRATION:

The preferred registration option is online via PayPal, but you may also register for the conference via PDF form and mail/email. To register via the PDF form (complete, print, and mail). If you are mailing in your registration, please also email a copy of the completed PDF to our Treasurer at sljackson@aol.com. His mailing address is listed below.

Scott Jackson: 8701 La Cresada, #621, Austin, TX 78749

For the online registration form with payment by PayPal (credit card). Paid Registration is required for all SAR members. Delegates must have currently paid dues.

SILENT AUCTION:

Texas SAR Patriot Fund Silent Auction – We have items for auction at the event. If you, or your chapter, have items to donate for the auction, please let us know ahead of time and bring the items with you.

THE FOOD:

Please find your menu choices for lunch and dinner on Saturday in the registration documents.

RECEPTION:

There will be a reception at 5:00pm on Friday evening. We have arranged for a reception as a prelude to the 250th celebrations. We have invited key and notable individuals to come and join us in fellowship and conversation. There have been preliminary conversations with these individuals on collaborating on the 250th celebrations coming soon.

We hope to see you soon in Austin.

Best Regards,

Shiidon Bahí Hawley
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Mark Ellison
Host Chapter Organizer
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Merchandise Table

Don't forget that we have many products to purchase at our Merchandise Table to support our Youth Activities.

DOOR PRIZE –

The winners are 



BENEDICTION – Frank Pounders

SAR RECEPTIONAL – All

NEXT MEETING IS SATURDAY
November 9th @ 9:00 AM

For more information concerning volunteer opportunities please contact;
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Tom Van Fossen

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Respectfully submitted,
William B. Watts, Secretary

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

