



# THE MINUTEMAN



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## President's Message

by Dr. Gary N. Sisson

### "e-Patriots"

**W**elcome, dot-com-patriots, to the 21<sup>st</sup> century! The Dallas Chapter is grinding along, trying to keep up. We now have our own web domain (sardallas.org), a continuously updated web site, and computer-generated newsletters and membership rosters. The past 3 newsletters are on our web site for all to view. The June issue has all-color pictures. Eventually, the meeting minutes, Chapter Constitution & By-laws and membership roster will also be accessible online. I have already received membership inquiries generated by our web site and have forwarded them (via e-mail, of course) to Registrar Don Hay. Most of my SAR-related communication as your President has been via cell phone and e-mail. "The times, they are a-changin'", and we must change with them to effectively achieve the objects of the SAR in our age. I am continually impressed with how well most of you keep up with advancing technology, a clear indication of your collective understanding of its importance. The inventive minds of Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson would have been right there with you. To those who lag behind or lack interest, don't worry. You will continue to receive a paper newsletter with black-and-white pictures and may still call me on a rotary telephone and give me a piece of your mind. But beware! It wasn't *that* long ago when telephones replaced the telegraph. For those creatures of habit who like to put www. in front of their web address, that will work also. You may access our website either way: <http://sardallas.org> or <http://www.sardallas.org>

### July Meeting

**D**r. Jim Johnson, a professor at NTU, and president of the Denton SAR Chapter, will be our speaker at the July meeting, giving us "Quotes from the Revolution."

For future program suggestions, feel free to call 1<sup>st</sup> VP Cliff Slagle at 972-380-1500.

**J**ack Haughton, Vice President General, International, addressed the June meeting, updating us on the status and activities of SAR chapters in other lands. >>

#### Registrar's Report:

Chapter membership now stands at 306.

June meeting: 29 members, 5 guests.

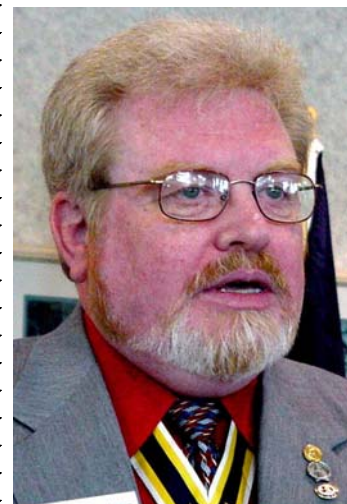
**Don Hay**, Registrar

#### Treasurer's Report:

Regular Checking: \$ 3,638.64

Endowment Funds: \$ 32,688.55

**Tracy Pounders**, Treasurer



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*Meetings are held on the Second Saturday of each month at Luby's Cafeteria, 6221 E. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas. Coffee served with fellowship at 7:30, breakfast at 8:00, and meeting from 8:30 'til 9:40. Guests are welcome at our meetings.*



Robert Coursey gave an Americanism talk in June

**In Memoriam**

- ★ Members of the Dallas Chapter deceased in 2001:
- ★ LTC Norwood Richardson, 2/17/01
- ★ William (Bill) Eddleman, 3/16/01
- ★ Dr. (Rev.) John B. Stepp, Jr., 5-13-01



Three Pearl Harbor survivors salute their flag on Flag Day 2001



SAR participated in the Flag Day celebration at Valley View Shopping Center, presenting bronze Good Citizenship medals to three Pearl Harbor Survivors, and a Chapter Service Medal to Valley View Center in recognition of its promotion of patriotism. Pictured here are Dr. Charles Baker, Ralph McDowell, Mike Radcliff (Plano Chapter), Richard Arnold, Emanuel Prodan (flautist), Tom Smith, Cliff Slagle, and Graham Martin.



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**U**ncle Sam needs YOU! Emanuel Prodan, flautist, is dwarfed by a stilted Uncle Sam who added to the festivities at the Flag Day celebration. They are flanked by SAR color guard members Ralph McDowell and Dr. Charles Baker.

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**F**ormer U.S. President George H. W. Bush was sworn in as an SAR Compatriot in his Houston office on May 1, 2001. (His sons, President George W. Bush and Florida Governor Jeb Bush, are already members.) Some of SAR's top brass were present for the occasion. Pictured here are, left to right, J. Rice Aston, TXSSAR Past President; Bruce Butler, Current President General; Frank Gibson, TXSSAR Past President; President Bush; Representative Jack Hightower; Nathan White, Current TXSSAR President; Clovis Brakebill, Past President General; Mrs. Brakebill; Betty Arnold, DAR Jane Douglas Chapter; Lovell Aldrich, President Paul Carrington Chapter; and Richard Arnold, TXSSAR Past

