



THE MINUTEMAN

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President's Message

by Cliff Slagle



LOOKING BOTH WAYS

Now that 2003 has arrived, we can look back at some of the accomplishments in 2002 and forward to 2003 anticipations.

In 2002 we increased the activities of our Color Guard unit, thanks to the stellar efforts of **Dick Arnold**, **Charles Baker** and **Ralph McDowell**. Several members have acquired uniforms, or have them on order. Our members have participated in parades, memorial services, educational programs, grave markings and flag retirement services.

Dr **Gary Sisson** made 30 appearances as Patrick Henry and Chaplin **Arthur Ingalls** gave the Chaplin's Report to General Washington on six occasions. **Ralph McDowell**, **Tom Whitelock** and **Cliff Slagle** made several patriotic presentations at the DAR House during the State Fair. Dr Gary Sisson, Dr **Bill Barris**, **Martin Lyford** and **Tom Whitelock** have increased the Chapter participation of Service to Veterans.

Looking forward to 2003, we must endeavor to maintain our community services at, or above, the current levels. We must also strive to recruit new members.

The Dallas Chapter has been selected to host the 2004 TXSSAR State Convention. This will require many willing and able volunteers.

IF YOUR ADDRESS LABEL BEARS A RED MARK, IT MEANS THAT YOUR 2003 DUES HAVE NOT BEEN PAID, AND YOU MAY BE SUBJECT TO THE \$8 REINSTATEMENT FEE!

January 11 Meeting

Dr. Jeanne Tunks, UNT Professor, will speak on "Leadership Training in the Boy Scouts of America."

For future program suggestions, please feel free to call 1st VP **Jack Carney** at 972-401-1830.

High School teacher and Churchill historian David Bucy discussed "Churchill's Views on the American Revolution" at our December meeting. ▶

Registrar's Report:

Chapter membership stands at 313.
Last Meeting: 37 Members, 6 Guests
Mel McCoy, Registrar

Treasurer's Report:

Checking & Cash: \$ 1,813.26
Endowment Funds: \$ 35,026.24
Tom Smith, Treasurer



THE MINUTEMAN is the monthly newsletter of the Dallas Chapter of the Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution, a non-profit organization. (Pictures by Charles & Barbara Baker)

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 9:45. Guests are welcome at our meetings.

CHAPTER MEETING NEWS



Clockwise from upper left: Treasurer **Tom Smith** appears pleased that his accounting will be simplified, now that the Richie Fund and Minuteman Fund will be separated. Compatriot **Ralph McDowell** read an Americanism presentation given by John Warterfield in 1988. President **Cliff Slagle** presented a special Certificate of Appreciation to Compatriot **Warterfield** for his many years of service. Compatriot **Tom Whitelock** (left) presented Ralph McDowell with the rare and coveted SAR Purple Thumb Award, in recognition of his pain and suffering while inserting the quarters into those numerous 13-Colony Gift Sets, making the chapter a profit of \$597!



It's **DUES TIME** folks. Do YOU have a red mark on your address label? Compatriots who have not paid their dues by December 31 will be considered delinquent and subject to the \$8 reinstatement fee.

To see these pictures in color, check out our Chapter Website at <http://sardallas.org> While you are there, you can get lots of other useful information. There are links to Chapter Minutes, to the DAR, CAR and other organizations of interest, Chapter Officers, Minuteman Newsletter archives, and lots of other good info.

Americanism Trivia Quiz (Answers in next month's issue)

- In an effort for peace with Britain, delegates to the Second Continental Congress wrote what?
 - Plea for Peace
 - Olive Branch Petition
 - Declaration of Independence
 - Treaty of London
- Who was the King of England during the Revolutionary War?
 - King Edward II
 - King John II
 - King Henry VIII
 - King George III
- In March, 1776, General Washington and his Continental Army had the British surrounded at Boston. Washington allowed the British to evacuate. Who was in command of the British forces?
 - General Clinton
 - General Cornwallis
 - General Howe
 - General Gage
- France's contributions to the American "Glorious Cause" are well known. In the beginning, their aid was covert. What was the name of the "front company" that the French created to provide money, arms, and supplies to the Continental Army?
 - de Beaumarchais
 - de Hortalez
 - de Vergennes
 - de Roderiguez

Thanks to Compatriot Tom Whitelock for providing the idea for this quiz.



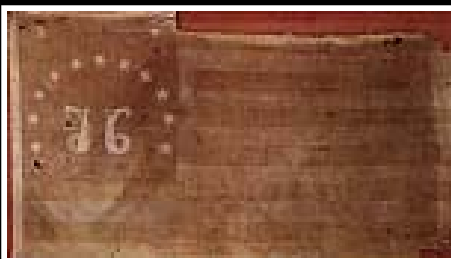
PEARL HARBOR DAY: Members of the SAR North Texas Militia were prominently featured in the commemoration of Pearl Harbor Day at the Cavanaugh Flight Museum. Major Baker, Commander of the Militia, introduced each compatriot with information about his patriot ancestor and the battles in which his patriot fought, and then told about the item he carried. Upper left: **Tom Whitelock** carries the TXSSAR flag, **Rick Faukes** carries a Pennsylvania longrifle, **Cliff Slagle** carries a 50-Star US flag, **Jack Carney** carries a Grand Union flag, Col. **Dick Arnold** carries a Bennington flag, **Art Ingalls** carries an antique rifle from the Civil War, **Willie Walker** carries a musket with bayonet, and Charles Baker carries a Washington Headquarters flag. Not shown: **Mel McCoy** carried the 13-Star US flag, and **Ralph McDowell** carried the Betsy Ross flag. Upper right: Compatriot **Charles Baker** explains the Washington flag as Paul Ferguson (at left), president of the North Texas Pearl Harbor Survivor's Association, looks on.

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 ★972-380-1500, or **Dr.**★
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The original Bennington Flag is on display at the Bennington Museum in Bennington, VT. Though badly faded, one can make out the distinctive 7-pointed stars, the numerals "76," and the inverted stripes (7 white and 6 red). Never carried in battle, this flag is thought to have been displayed during the War of 1812, as a reminder of the earlier war of

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Jan. 11	8:00 a.m.	Chapter Meeting. Dr. Jeanne Tunks, UNT Professor, "Leadership Training in the Boy Scouts of America."	L u b y ' s Cafeteria, 6221 E. Mockingbird
Feb. 8	8:00 a.m.	Chapter Meeting. B. G. Burkett will discuss his book, "Stolen Valor: How the Vietnam Generation Was Robbed of its Heroes and History" Election of Officers	L u b y ' s Cafeteria, 6221 E. Mockingbird
Mar. 8	8:00 a.m.	Installation of Officers	L u b y ' s Cafeteria, 6221 E. Mockingbird