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President's Message

by Cliff Slagle



Let's Not Become Complacent

As the clouds of war gather on the horizon, it is time to reflect on events of the past. Now is not the time to lose our resolve.

Our speaker this month has spent several years searching the National Archives to determine and uncover massive distortions of history concerning the Vietnam affair. He and his co-author identified killers who have fooled the most astute prosecutors and gotten away with murder. They found phony heroes who have become the object of award winning documentaries on national network television, and fabricators who have flooded the publishing houses with false tales of heroism. Although I have no idea what he will present, it should be very enlightening.

We are approaching the end of our Chapter and State year. I hope you are planning to attend the February meeting to elect our new officers, and I encourage you to attend the State Conference in Houston to elect new state officers.

February 8 Meeting

Jug (B. G.) Burkett will discuss his book, "Stolen Valor: How the Vietnam Generation Was Robbed of its Heroes and History."

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

Dr. Jeanne Tunks, DUNT Professor and recipient of the coveted Silver Beaver, spoke on "Leadership Training in the Boy Scouts of America." at our January meeting. ▶ ▶

Registrar's Report:
Chapter membership stands at 315.
Last Meeting: 42 Members, 11 Guests
Mel McCoy, Registrar

Treasurer's Report:
Checking & Cash: \$ 1,730.87
Endowment Funds: \$ 35,160.58
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



Above: (back row) **Charles Baker** sponsored new member **Kenneth A. Meaders** (Patriot Jesse Rountree) and (front row) **C.W. "Tom" Bohanan** sponsored **James R. Perkins** (Patriot Thomas Bullard). Right: Jonathan Robert Oudin was honored as our Eagle Scout of the Year; he has earned 35 merit badges and 2 SAR medals. Below: Speaker Dr. Jeanne Tunks received the traditional Certificate of Appreciation and Liberty Bell from V. P. **Jack Carney**, and **Hank Voegtle** gave the Americanism talk.



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)

1. The Battle of Bunker Hill took place in what year?
a. 1775 b. 1776 c. 1777 d. 1774
2. Who wrote the pamphlet "Common Sense"?
a. Richard Henry Lee b. John Hancock c. Benjamin Franklin d. Thomas Paine
3. On what date was the Battle of Lexington and Concord fought?
a. April 19, 1776 b. January 3, 1776 c. April 19, 1775 d. June 14, 1777
4. Who commanded the Green Mountain Boys?
a. Benedict Arnold b. Ethan Allen c. George Washington d. Anthony Wayne
5. On July 2, 1776, twelve of the thirteen colonies voted for independence. Which delegation abstained?
a. Pennsylvania b. New York c. Massachusetts d. Rhode Island

Any Questions?

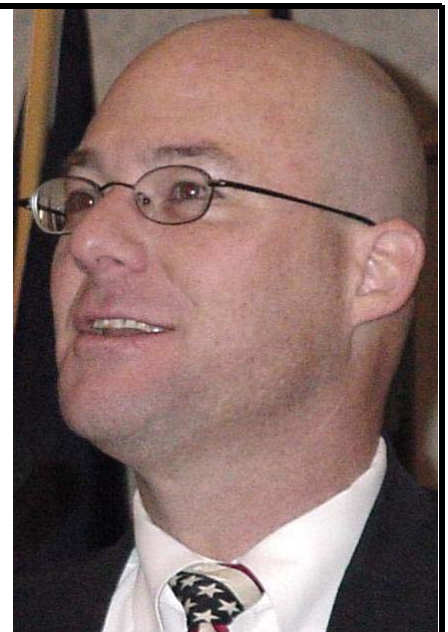
Editor of THE MINUTEMAN, Dr. **Charles Baker**, reports that the **Americanism Trivia Quiz** has been well-received, but that we need more good questions (and answers). Here are the rules: Questions should center on facts from the Revolutionary Period, there should be a mixture of easy and hard questions, and questions should be in either multiple choice or matching format. Correct answers should be supplied with questions. Questions and answers may be e-mailed to <hbaker@engr.smu.edu> If interest continues, we might form a committee and run a contest. Any volunteers?

Nominating Committee Report

Dr. **Gary N. Sisson**, PPOOOFY* and chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the following slate of nominees at the January 11 meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor at the February 8 meeting, followed by the election.

- For President: **Jack Carney**
- For First Vice President (Programs): . **Tracy Ponders**
- For Second Vice President (Awards): **Hank Voegtle**
- For Secretary: **Tom Whitelock**
- For Treasurer: **Tom Smith**
- For Registrar: **Mel McCoy**
- For Historian: **Rusty Ballard**
- For Chaplain: **Frank Ponders**

* Pronounced "PaPOOOFFie"
(Past President Out Of Office First Year)



Dr. Gary Sisson

