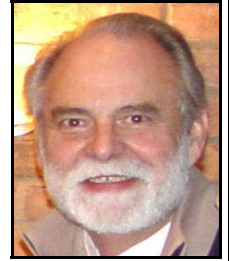




The MINUTEMAN

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Footprints in the Sand

by Tom Whitelock, President, Dallas Chapter,
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Short and to the point for this issue's article was the request by the Editor, because he needed all the space possible to cover the many members' activities and events that occurred in the last two months and to announce our **new meeting location for September**.

For sure we've had some fun times and great publicity exposure, but most of all, good membership growth through the concerted effort of Compatriots and our Registrar **Mel McCoy**. The July meeting was particularly pride-filled as I was honored to report that in attendance on that date were four members under the age of 24. The future indeed looks bright from the standpoint of potential membership growth, **new meeting location for September**, more member activity participation and a definite strong leadership base for years to come.

However, I am saddened by the year's loss of four of our Past Presidents, and I know in my heart that God not only chose them to lead our Dallas Chapter, but likewise to receive their HRM (Heavenly Reward Medal) with their Patriot Ancestor standing alongside. The tears I fought back as I recited the poem "Footprints..." weren't just for Pete Orlebeke, but in recognition of all our members who have suffered in pain, and at times felt alone in their trials. Remember, within this grand SAR Brotherhood - He is always there for us as we are for each other.

August 13 Meeting

For our August meeting of the Dallas Chapter, we will have Co-Speakers Lara and Larry Seaberg. Their topic will be Eighteenth Century Clothing.

Please note that the August 13 meeting will be at the Crowne Plaza, but on September 10 we meet at Embassy Suites Mesquite Room.

In Memoriam, 2005



Col. Wm. Henry Hastings, 1977



Peter W. Orlebeke, 1986



C. Daniel Wilson, 1987



Harry C. Post III, 1999

Registrar's Report: (Mel McCoy)	
Membership:	292
Last Meeting:	34
Guests:	14
Treasurer's Report: (Allen Christian)	
Checking & Cash:	\$ 2,104.20
Minuteman Fund:	\$ 7,865.11
Ritchie Fund:	\$26,784.74

**Meeting place for September 10:
Embassy Suites, 1313 US 75 @ LBJ.**

THE MINUTEMAN is the bi-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. **August meeting will be at the Crown Plaza Suites, 7800 Alpha Road. September meeting will be at the Embassy Suites, 1313 North Central.** Coffee served with fellowship at 7:30, breakfast at 8:00, meeting from 8:30 until about 9:45. Guests are welcome.

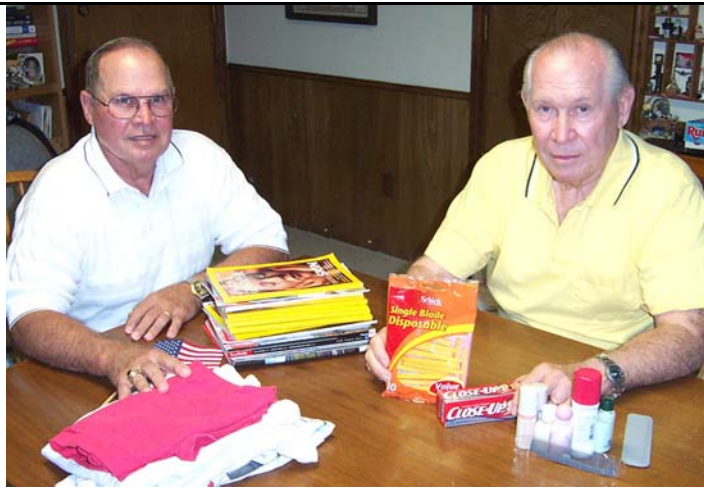
DALLAS CHAPTER MEETING NEWS



Top Left: Ralph McDowell swore in new Compatriot **Edward M. Courtney IV** at the June meeting. **Top right:** In July, TSCAR President and Dallas Chapter Compatriot **Wayne Wende** outlined this year's project of the Texas Society. **Left:** In July, Secretary-General **Nathan White** swore in new Compatriots **James A. Henderson** (Junior Member) and **Jonathan Jenson**. Sponsors **Frank Pounders** and **Charles Baker** stood with them. **Bottom Row:** Our June speaker **Sonja Armstrong Brown** discussed Thomas Jefferson and the Louisiana Purchase. July speaker **Art Ingalls** presented another installment of "The Combat Chaplain." SAR Secretary-General **Nathan White** outlined goals for the 2006 Convention in Dallas

Speakers





Grady (Left) and **Jim Fairbairn**, the new Veterans Service Committee Co-Chairs are shown sorting some of the items needed by patients at the two Veterans Medical Centers in our area. Magazines, clothing, cans of coffee, playing cards, safety razors, toiletries, warm socks, etc., may be brought to Chapter meetings and placed outside the meeting room. The Fairbairns will see that they get to the patients. **Grady** and **Jim**, and their brother **Garland**, were pictured in the January 2005 Minuteman after they marked the grave of their patriot ancestor, Philip Wolf, who was wounded at the Battle of Kings Mountain, South Carolina.

Dallas Chapter compatriots of the North Texas Color Guard showed off the Budweiser banner and trophy they won in the 39th Annual PolkaFest Parade in Ennis, TX on May 28. Front Row: Commander Charles Baker, Rick Fawkes, Graham Martin, Cole Youngman, Art Ingalls, and Chalmers Omberg. Back Row: Steve Seachord (Plano Chapter), Ralph McDowell, Jim Templin, Glen Toal, Charles Windham, Richard Arnold, Tracy Pounders, Wayne Wende, and Tom Whitelock.



Welcome Home, Soldier! Barbara Baker recently welcomed service men and women just off the plane from Iraq as they returned home for two weeks of rest and relaxation before heading back. Read the information in the box below to find out how you can be part of this "welcoming committee." You get a free parking pass at the arrival point.

Below is a shot showing the spectacular "water salute" that greeted the returning flight at DFW on July 4, 2005.



Welcome the Troops! There is a daily arrival of troops on R&R from Iraq at DFW's International Terminal D, Level 2, center Baggage Claim. Call 972-574-0392 after 5 p.m. on the day before to learn the next-day arrival time.



Top: Part of the huge flag hanging in the lobby of the Dallas VA Medical Center is shown in the background, as Compatriots **Grady Fairbairn, Ralph McDowell, Tom Whitelock, and Jim Fairbairn** presented an SAR Flag Certificate to VA Director **Betty Bolin Brown**.

Center Picture: For the fifth year, the North Texas Color Guard put on a Flag Day flag program at the Valley View Mall in Dallas. Shown here are Compatriots **Art Ingalls, Charles Windham, Jim Templin, Ralph McDowell, Charles Baker, and Tom Whitelock**. Pearl Harbor Survivor **Paul Ferguson** led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance, assisted by the three Boy Scouts shown.



Page 5, Top: The combined North Texas Color Guard and Scouts from Troop 890 made a spectacular 200-foot-long combination in the Lake Highlands July 4 Parade. Carrying the two banners and the thirteen flags of the colonies were (left to right):

Adam Bosch, Quinton Milner, John Housewright, Alex Housewright, Robbie Stewart, Jordan Trumbley, Drew Mills, Luke Smith, William Headrick, Augie Voetgle*, Hunter Lockhart, Joel Barrett, Landon Lockhart, Jordan Henderson, Sam Mills, Mcquire Boles, Andrew Meaders*, Charlie Alston, and Elliot Bucki. (*=Sons of Dallas SAR Compatriots.)

Remember Karl Klammer, the former RCAR Society President who helped carry the SAR Banner when we first got it? That's Marine Lance Corporal Karl Klammer, just returned from Iraq, who served as Grand Marshall of the Lake Highlands Parade, representing dozens of service men and women from Lake Highlands who served or are serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. The SAR Color Guard at Lake Highlands included Compatriots Baker, Youngman, Windham, Ingalls, Templin, Whitelock, McDowell, Fawkes, new Compatriot Jonathan Jensen, and Smith.



Above: First VP **Tom Smith** and President **Tom Whitelock** posed with Dallas Firefighter **Jay Prigmore** after presenting him with the Fire Safety Commendation medal, ribbon, and certificate. On Christmas morning, 2004, while off-duty, Prigmore came upon an accident scene on Central Expressway, in which an infant child was trapped in the burning wreckage of a car. Suffering burns and burned clothing, he pulled the infant from the wreckage and administered CPR until a Care-Flite helicopter arrived. The child recovered.

The September 10 meeting of the Dallas Chapter will be in the Mesquite Ballroom of the Embassy Suites, 1313 N. Central @ LBJ. Park underground and take the elevator directly up to the Mesquite meeting room on the 1st floor.

