



The MINUTEMAN



Dallas Chapter

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Texas Society — Sons of the American Revolution

September-October, 2007

UPCOMING MEETINGS

October 13 (8:30 am)

Compatriot and State Legislator (District 114) **Will Hartnett** will be speaking on Historical Activities of the Texas Legislature. Compatriot Hartnett is a member of the Dallas Chapter of SAR, with **37 Supplementary Memberships!** He represents North Dallas, Lake Highlands, and Bluff View.

November 10 (7:00 pm)

Our First Annual Banquet features our own Compatriot **Lloyd Bockstruck** as its speaker. Lloyd is a very popular speaker on genealogy topics.



Ten Counter-Concepts

by Dr. H. Charles Baker, President, Dallas Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution



Each President's Message this year amplifies an aspect of the American Revolution as a revolution of ideas which actually resulted in the Revolutionary War.

The February Issue pointed out that these radical ideas had their roots in the surge of literacy in England that was brought on by William the Conqueror in the 11th Century. The April Issue discussed the development of the concept of elected representation. The June and August issues outlined 18 specific grievances against King George III of Great Britain, as stated in the Declaration of Independence.

On June 8, 1789, just over a month after Washington had been inaugurated as First President, Congressman James Madison introduced his twelve proposed amendments to the newly ratified Constitution. After debate, the First Congress sent these twelve to the State Legislatures on September 25, 1789. Of the twelve, 10 were ratified and became known as The Bill of Rights.

It is interesting to see the parallels between the 18 grievances previously discussed and the Bill of Rights. Each of these Amendments addresses one or more grievances:

1. Freedoms of religion, speech, the press, and peaceable assembly
2. Right to bear arms
3. Freedom from forced quartering of troops in one's home in peacetime
4. Freedom from unreasonable searches and seizures without a warrant
5. Right to indictment by Grand Jury for serious crimes, right to just compensation for seized property, and freedom from self-incrimination
6. Right to a speedy and public trial
7. Right to trial by jury, and freedom from double jeopardy
8. Freedom from excessive bail
9. Recognition of natural rights beyond those stated in the Constitution
10. Powers not delegated to the Federal Government by the Constitution are reserved to the States or to the people

The citizens of the 13 colonies had certainly been scarred by the numerous abuses of power by the British Crown. Before they would agree to ratify the Constitution, they had extracted promises of a Bill of Rights for the New Nation. It was certainly fitting that the First order of business in the First Session of the First Congress was to fulfill that promise.

Dallas Chapter Meeting News

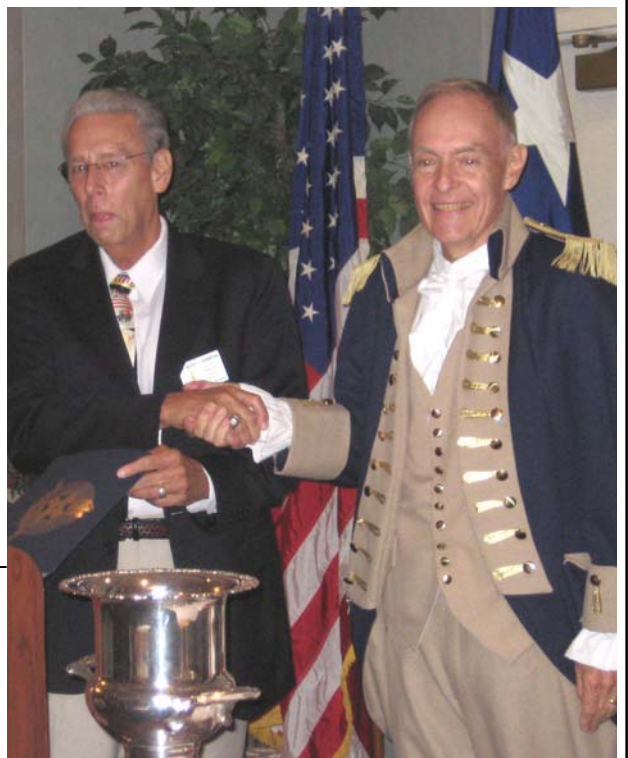


Compatriot **Trammell S. Crow** (center) was the “Man of the Hour” at our August meeting. He was sworn in and received his credentials as the newest member of the Dallas Chapter. Then, as our main speaker, he enchanted us with a “Show ‘n’ Tell” about the Trammell and Margaret Crow Collection of Asian Art. Compatriot **Crow** is the President of the Museum which is located at the base of the Trammell Crow Center in the Dallas Arts District. During his presentation, Compatriot **Jim Johnson** (left) made a sketch of him speaking to the group and then presented his art to Mr. **Crow** as First VP **Bob Clark** (right) looked on. (See inset.)

Bill Steele, Head of the Eagle Scout Office at Boy Scouts of America Headquarters, was our main speaker at the September meeting. At left, he is shown receiving his Liberty Bell and Certificate from First VP **Bob Clark** (right). Steele discussed the history and current status of the Eagle Scout program and the National Eagle Scout Association.



Awards VP **Allen Christian** presented Former Chapter President **Tom Smith** his well-earned 50-Year Service Award during the July 14 meeting. It consists of a pin and a special certificate signed by the President-General.



Get your tickets for the November 10 Dallas Chapter Banquet. They are less expensive at the October 13 meeting!

To see these pictures in brilliant 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, the Ladies' Auxiliary of TXSSAR, and other organizations of interest, Chapter Officers' e-mail addresses, **Minuteman** Newsletter archives, and lots of other good information. You can also click on "Meetings" to find out about the next Dallas Chapter meeting program.

"First Annual" Dallas Chapter Banquet

"Variety is the Spice of Life," so we are adding a little Spice to this year's SAR meetings! Our Saturday, November 10 meeting at the Embassy Suites will start with a Social Hour & Cash Bar at 6 p.m., followed at 7 p.m. by a "South of the Border Buffet" and a program that you will not want to miss. Main speaker will be Lloyd Bockstruck, speaking on a topic of genealogical interest, followed by a memorable Americanism Presentation by a surprise speaker. Dress code for men is Tuxedo, dark suit or Color Guard Uniform; appropriate dress or period clothing for the ladies.

Tickets \$40 at the October 13 meeting; \$50 after November 3.

Don't miss this Gala Event!

★ Welcome the Troops. There is a daily arrival of troops on two weeks R&R leave from Iraq at ★
★ DFW International Airport. Call 972-574-0392 after 5 p.m. on the day before to learn the ★
★ next-day arrival time and location. ★

This picture, snapped before the Lake Highlands Parade on July 4, 2002, appeared in the August 2002 issue of *The Minuteman*. It shows Karl Klammer (red shirt) and his sister, both members of the CAR, holding our brand new parade banner. Also shown, between Karl and Rick Fawkes (with drum) is Emmanuel Prodan with his flute. We featured a story about Karl when he was sworn into the SAR in his Marine uniform, in January-February issue, 2006. Now read below "Whatever happened to Emmanuel?"



Emanuel Prodan with Congressman Pete Sessions (R-TX32)
Academy Interview Day
December 16, 2006

Emanuel lost 20 pounds in boot camp at the Academy this past summer. At right, he is shown unable to conceal his joy as he receives his new insignia as a member of the top cadet squadron, based on training scores and GPA. One proud Texan!! As a freshman, he is studying math, engineering, chemistry, English, Arabic, flying, and leadership skills.

As a high school senior last year, Emanuel won an appointment to attend the Air Force Academy, sponsored by Congressman Pete Sessions.



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Meetings are held on the Second Saturday of each month, in the Mesquite Ballroom of the Embassy Suites, 13131 North Central Expressway, in the northwest quadrant of the "High-5" Interchange, at the intersection of U.S. 75 and I. 635. Breakfast served with fellowship at 8:00, program from 8:30 a.m. until about 10:00. Fellow compatriots from other chapters and guests are always welcome.



Left to right above: FCP **Tom Whitelock** received an SAR Liberty Medal for signing up 10 new SAR members. Compatriot **Bob Northcraft** received the SAR War Service Medal for his service to our Country during the Vietnam War. For his Americanism Presentation at the September meeting, Compatriot **Hank Voegtle** discussed the persecution of the Huguenots in France and the Colonies prior to the American Revolutionary War.

Below: Registrar **Gerald Irion** (on right) swore in and presented credentials to new compatriots at the September meeting. From left to right, they are **Harvey Varnum**, **Joshua Tate**, and **R. W. White**.



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NOTE: Ideas, news or submissions for **THE MINUTEMAN** should be given to **Dr. Charles Baker**, Chapter President and Editor, 214-343-0717.

Registrar's Report: (Gerald Irion)	
Membership:	302
Last Meeting:	39
Guests:	6

Treasurer's Report: (Henry Voegtle)	
Checking & Cash:	\$ 1,774.31
Minuteman Fund:	8626.69
Ritchie Fund:	29,350.00

Opportunities Galore

By Dr. H. Charles Baker
President,
Dallas Chapter



I want to acknowledge the progress we are making in finding Chairmen for all of the contests in which our chapter participates. Besides the Color Guard, these are the primary ways that our chapter promotes patriotism and awareness of the SAR.

Here are contest chairmen so far:
Fifth-grade poster John Morton
High School Essay Mark Hansen
High School Oration Don Hatch
Enhanced JROTC Tom Smith
Eagle Scout Mark Hansen
Essay by a C.A.R. Member ???
American History Teacher ???

Winners of all local contests can advance to State and National, prize money and scholarships at stake. May we put your name in place of a question mark? hbaker@smu.edu

Inside: Ten Counter-Concepts

Date	Time	Event	Place
Oct. 13	8:30 a.m.	October Chapter Meeting, featuring Compatriot Will Hartnett	Embassy Suites, 13131 N. Central Expressway
Nov. 10	10:00 a.m.	Greater Dallas Veterans Day Parade	Parade forms across Houston Street from the Dallas Morning News
Nov. 10	7:00 p.m.	First Annual Banquet, preceded by cash bar at 6:00 p.m. Program features Compatriot Lloyd Bockstruck	Embassy Suites, 13131 N. Central Expressway
Dec. 8	8:30 a.m.	December Dallas Chapter Meeting	Embassy Suites, 13131 N. Central Expressway