



The MINUTEMAN



Dallas Chapter

Founded July 4, 1929

Texas Society — Sons of the American Revolution

July-August, 2008

UPCOMING MEETINGS

(Breakfast at 8:00 a.m.)

**August 9,
8:30 a.m.**

W. R. "Tony" Dukes will be our August speaker. He is a musician and a volunteer assisting veterans. He has also done TV events for combat and purple heart heroes, plus 9/11 FD/PPD casualties and their families.

(Breakfast at 8:00 a.m.)

**September 13,
8:30 a.m.**

The September 13 speaker will be Charles Wizeman, who will speak on Freemasonry and the American Revolution.



President's Message

by Robert M Clark, President, Dallas Chapter,
Sons of the American Revolution



July marked the 232nd Birthday of our Nation. In July, our Color Guard repeated the difficult 4th-of-July trick of marching in two simultaneously-held parades. Although the Independence Day Lake Highlands and the Park Cities parades both began at 9:00 a.m., we led the Lake Highlands' parade on its route and we then quickly proceeded to join the Park Cities' Parade at its mid-point and fell into a gap in that parade.

Again this year, under the direction of FCP Dr. **Charles Baker**, our procedure worked without a hitch. The Color Guard was also honored that day in two ways. First, FCP and current Chaplain **Art Ingalls** led the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States at Goar Park at the conclusion of the Park Cities' parade. Second, some of our more photogenic Color Guard members were pictured in the *Dallas Morning News* and in *Lake Highlands People* newspapers. A close up of Compatriots FCPs **Tom Smith**, **Art Ingalls**, and current chapter secretary **David Temple** was published in the Lake Highlands edition of the *Dallas Morning News* on July 9, 2008. FCP **Tom Whitelock** was also clearly seen in a recent edition of the *Lake Highlands People* carrying the U.S. colors in that neighborhood's recent parade.

Under the excellent leadership of Capt. **Bob Northcraft**, our various Color Guard members have participated in a total of 78 patriotic events this year. This is great publicity!

In addition to being in our Color Guard, there are other excellent opportunities to help the Dallas chapter. We need leaders for several of the contests in which our chapter will be sending local winners to state and (hopefully) national contests. We also need members to serve as officers in the chapter. (If interested contact the Nominating Committee consisting of FCPs **Whitelock**, **Smith**, and **Baker**.) We need members to represent our chapter at state and national society functions and committees of the SAR. In that regard, the Texas Society provides outstanding training opportunities at its three-a-year meetings. These sessions are open to all SAR members. Several of us are going to the training in Tyler August 1-3 (See calendar info on p. 6.) Your next opportunity will be in Temple-Killeen Area on October 24-26. For further information, refer to TXSSAR.org, under "TXSSAR Events."

Dallas Chapter Meeting News



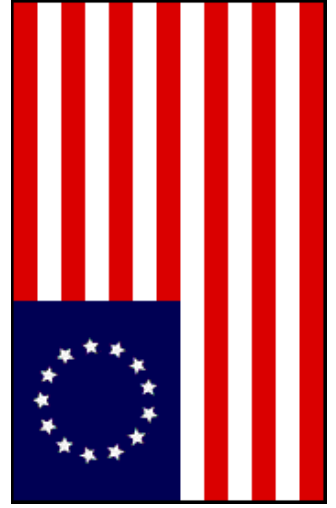
Upper Left: Judge Wildcat Reeds, one of the many mysterious characters in Compatriot **Bob Northcraft's** family tree, explained how he became a judge and how he shot Bedbug Bowen right between the eyes. Right: **Alex Pounders** is challenged by father **Tracy Pounders** after he won a bottle of wine as a door prize. Granddad **Frank Pounders** shows off his own prize. Lower left: Compatriot **David Temple** has assumed the duties of Secretary of the Dallas Chapter for the remainder of 2008. Right: **Grady and Jim Fairbairn**, co-chairs of the Veterans Affairs Committee, thanked Rowland Lewis for his many years of faithful services to Veterans. Mr. Lewis was presented a Certificate of Appreciation by Ralph McDowell.



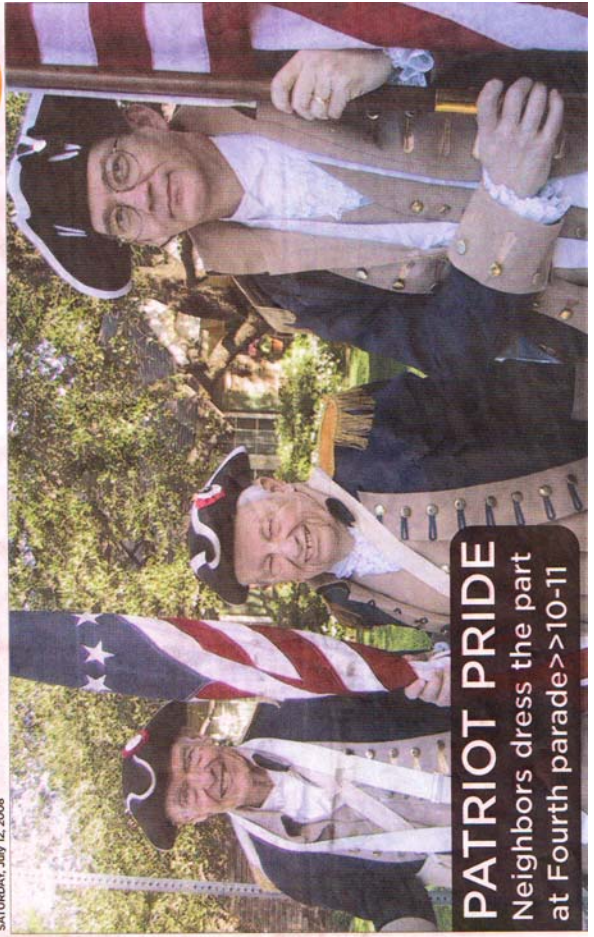
 ★ Welcome the Troops. There is a daily arrival of troops on R & R leave from Iraq at DFW ★
 ★ International Airport. Call 972-574-0392 after 5 p.m. on the day before to learn the next-day ★
 ★ arrival time and location. ★



The picture at right, scanned from the July 12 "NeighborsGo" section of the *Dallas Morning News*, shows what great publicity the Dallas Color Guard is pulling in for our chapter. This candid shot was made just before the Lake Highlands July 4th parade started, by a person appearing to be an amateur. As Compatriots **Smith, Ingalls**, and **Temple** learned, you never know who is watching.



neighbors go



PATRIOT PRIDE
Neighbors dress the part at Fourth parade >>10-11

Above: Lining up for the Lake Highlands July 4th Parade, left-to-right: **Charles Baker**, Kelton Griffin, Kenton Wilhelm, **Arthur Ingalls**, Drew Mills, Ben Townsend, Diego Valdes, Jimmy Lieb, Jeffrey Bradshaw, **Tom White lock**, Andy Knowlton, Luke Smith, Benjamin Craddock, **Jim Templin**, Sam Mills, Aaron Peterson, **David Temple**, Michael Hood, Frank Abbott, **Ralph McDowell**, Ryan Bratzheim, Bill Headrick, Noah Wilson, Samuel Hotz, Preston Abbott, **Tom Smith**, Chris Hillman and Brandt Urban.

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 at Highland Park Cafeteria, or as announced on our website at sardallas.org. Breakfast served with fellowship at 8:00, program from 8:30 a.m. until about 10:00. Guests and Fellow compatriots from other chapters are always welcome.

Americanism Quiz: Question in last issue: What general serving under Commander-in-Chief George Washington had only a third-grade education because the religion in which he was reared believed in only enough education to be able to read, write, and do basic arithmetic? Answer: Nathaniel Greene. His family was of the Quaker faith which subscribed to that belief at the time. Next Question: Who was the first Postmaster General of the United States?



The Dallas Chapter Color Guard participated in a program honoring MG Charles Bond (Retd.) a flying ace of World War II fame. In 1941, Claire Chennault was asked by Chinese Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to form a paramilitary American Volunteer Group to try to keep the Burma Road open. The Japanese had blockaded the coast of China, leaving the railroad through Burma as the only access from China to the sea. With the blessing of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Chennault began hiring his private air force which eventually became known as the "Flying Tigers." Charlie Bond was one of the first pilots recruited. The Flying Tigers still holds the record as having the highest "kill ratio" of any air organization in American History. The painting reproduced below shows Bond in his P-40 with the attacking tiger shark's teeth painted on the lower cowling. The plane carried Chinese markings. Below, a Japanese Zero loses the battle. General Bond spoke to the Dallas Chapter in March, 2006.



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Charles Baker, Editor, 214-343-0717.

Registrar's Report: (Al Sloan) Membership: 299 Last Meeting: 35 Members 7 Guests	
Treasurer's Report: (Bob Spence) Checking & Cash: \$ 2,235.69 Minuteman Fund: ≈8,300.00 Ritchie Fund: ≈ 30,000.00	



"Who spilled the bloomin' Flag Seeds?"



"My Country 'tis of The..."



Date	Time	Event	Place
Aug. 1-3		TXSSAR Board of Managers and Training	Holiday Inn Select, 5701 S. Broadway, Tyler, TX 903-561-5800
Aug. 9	8:30 a.m.	August Chapter Meeting: W. R. "Tony" Dukes: "Opportunities for Patriotic Service"	Highland Park Cafeteria, Casa Linda Plaza. East quadrant of Buckner Blvd. and Garland Road, behind El Fenix.
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Oct. 24-26		TXSSAR Board of Managers and Training	Temple-Killeen Area