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News & Minutes of Dallas Chapter
Texas Society - Sons of the American Revolution
Chapter Chartered July 4, 1929



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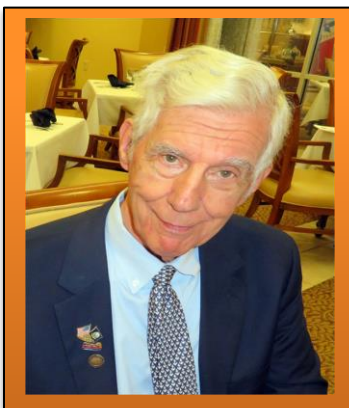
Just to make sure he doesn't get "drafted", President **Van Fossen** chose to skip over the Canadian border and turned the monthly meeting over to 1st Vice President **Mark Harrison**. At first, when the VP called the session to order at 8:35 am, the sparse attendance was attributed to the heavy rainstorm during the morning. However, by the time the pledge to the U.S. Flag and **Alan Prather's** pledge to the Texas Flag were recited, the back of the room started filling up. This made **Marshall Scantlin** happy because he enjoys leading a large group of voices in the *Affirmation to SAR*. Song leader **John Morton** always has a smile on his face when he gets everyone to sing the 1st stanza of *America*.

Chaplain **Frank Ponders** offered up a stirring *Invocation* and a moment of silence & prayers were requested for recently departed Compatriots **Montie Monzingo** (L) and **William Bellomy** (R)>



Head Greeter FCP **Ralph McDowell** had called the Secretary to inform him that he was not feeling well and that he also had to accompany his wife to the Hospital, thus would not be at the meeting (for the first time in over twenty-five years.) T1 was overheard to utter "*finally, I can catch up on Ralph's perfect attendance record*".

Nineteen members were joined by seventeen guests for this morning's breakfast meeting.



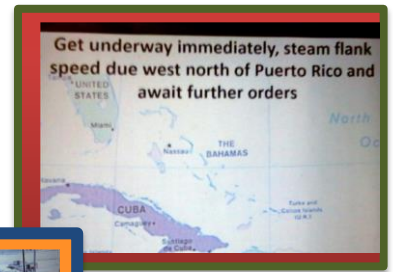
Guest Speaker

John Burhoe

Before making his presentation on the Cuban Missile Crisis, the former Naval Officer and airline executive with Continental and American took a moment to introduce his guests for the day, Col. Ken Cordier-USAF (R>) retired and Jim Caldwell.



Early on John talked about President Kennedy's family and political status rise prior to his confrontation with Castro & Krushchev. After describing, both orally and pictorially his involvement as an Operational Officer of a Destroyer Escort in the Caribbean during the conflict, John concluded his very entertaining and informative presentation, showing



a photo collection on the President's assassination (here-to-for-unseen) by many in the audience as well as relating "behind the scenes facts."



Vice President **Harrison** Appreciation and a small



thanked Mr. Burhoe with a Certificate of "Liberty Bell."



In addition he also was presented the Vietnam War Commemoration lapel pin from Compatriot **T.L. Holden** for Military Veterans who serviced during 1955-1975.



A special Military Service Certificate was presented to < Veterans Affairs Regional Board member **James Fairbairn** by the VP, for his previous Marine Corp. duty in Korea.

Other Veterans in the audience, with military service during the Vietnam era 1955-75 were recognized by Compatriot **Holden** with the Commemorative Pin.



Officers & Chairmen Reports....

1st Vice President- The guest speaker for June is **William Covington**, a American History Teacher and SAR Arlington Chapter Compatriot. **2nd Vice President-** Outstanding Citizenship presentations are under way, however Alan needs more volunteers to assist ASAP. **Treasurer-** Financial statements were handed out when everyone signed in and the balance as of 4/30/19 was \$5,144.60. **Nick Harper** added a suggestion that since **Ralph McDowell**'s twenty-seven year "perfect attendance was in jeopardy due to his and wife's illness, maybe we could ask Compatriot **Joseph Slonaker** could take his video of today's session over for Ralph to view and we would consider him being present. T1 agreed to allow him to keep his record in tack and made a motion to that effect. The membership approved by show of hands. **Historian-** said that he will continue to post activities on YouTube and that the new website also has a link to it. **Chaplain-** Said he was here, but had no special report other than to ask for prayers for Compatriot **L.W. Crapo**'s speedy recovery. **Registrar- Jerry Pinkerton** had a full program to present nine new members for induction into our Chapter.



Todd Martin family /w Benjamin, Joshua & Luke James McCalmont (C) Compatriot David Scott (3rd) William Fulton (L) /w Sister Molly & friend (SAR prospect) Larry Ley
 Zack Watson (R) /w Sons: Tristan & Evan
 Compatriot Thomas G. McCalmont (L)

WE NOW HAVE 7 NEW CHAPTER MEMBERS TO DATE THIS YEAR
7 MORE IN THE PIPELINE & HAVE HAD 21 APPLICATIONS IN 2019



The Vice President continued to next call for Committee Chairman reports starting with **Membership-** "when what to my wondering eyes should appear....the jolly old Saint **Ralph** himself, sneaking the back door to make sure T1 wouldn't catch up to his perfect attendance record." His best guess for the current membership was just over 250.



Veterans Affairs- Made an appeal for more personal items and coffee to be donated for the Vets at the VA Hospital. **Color Guard-** We've been packed with a lot of activities during April and early May- which will continue to accelerate from late May thru July (see photos on last pages. **Brochure Contest-** Report by

Chairman **Marshall Scantlin** was turned over to **VP Harrison**, since he too was at *Greiner Arts Academy* to make cash and certificate award presentations to students. Our Chapter Historian was there > to catch all the action and also post it on our ***SAR DALLAS CHAPTER - YouTube*** site.



He won **1st** in State- Scrapbook >
< She was our **2nd** place TXSSAR Winner

CG Commander **Robert Kittrell** reminded all of the following dates:

May 25 – Ennis Parade, *June 15* – Flag Retirement Ceremony, *June 22* – Audie Murphy Parade, *July 4* – Lake Highlands and Park Cities parades.

There being no official old or new Chapter Business, the VIP proceeded directly to the famous “DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS” of which four of our newest members won. Chaplain **Pounders** gave the *Benediction* and all joined for the SAR Closing. Meeting adjourned at 10:17am.



Respectfully submitted by
Tom M. Whitelock

Other monthly events....



Remembering our Brother



Archiving our Ancestors



Helping our Sisters



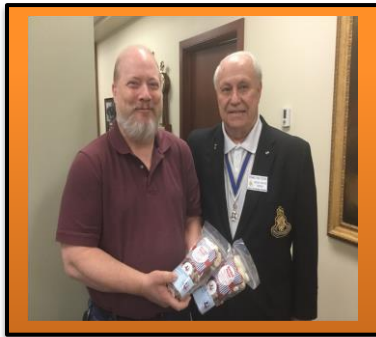
Michael Scroggins



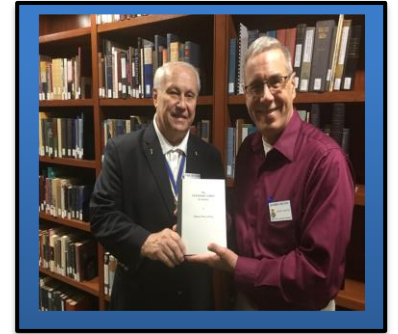
Daniel Brashear-Susan Griffin-Susan Acree



Joseph Hardesty



Our Number one Ambassador knows the importance of recognizing key staff members of NSSAR



GET
YOUR'S
TODAY



T2 even presented one of our special 90th Anniversary Cups to TX visitor **Claudia Stowers**, VP for Advancement at the new *Museum of the American Revolution*



Of course VP Harrison had to make sure the boss man didn't spill the coffee