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ELECTION MARCH 5

Election of officers will take place 7 PM Thursday, March 5 at the Good Samaritan Village in Denton. The slate presented by the nominating committee is as follows
President: Bill Bell, Vice-President (& program chairman): Jim Johnson , Secretary (& Newsletter Editor): Samuel Haynes, Chaplain: Tom Bailey, Treasurer: William Vaughn, and Geneologist: Ben Casey.

A business meeting will follow the elections. Plans for the ensuing year will be discussed. The budget for the coming year will also be discussed.



SARAH GRANT REID AND FRIENDS

PRESIDENT'S DAY CELEBRATION A SUCCESS

The spirit of the American revolution was alive and well at a special President's Day event entitled "The Last Revolutionaries," a presentation by Sarah Grant Reid on February 22, 1998 at 2 P.M. at St. David's Episcopal Church in Denton. The thirty people in attendance were entertained and inspired by the firsthand accounts of Samuel Downing, Lemuel Cook, and Alexander Millner. Mrs. Reid presented the program through the eyes of her mother, Elinor Brewster Davenport Grant. Although there were six survivors alive when Rev. Hillard began the project, the three represented in Mrs. Reid's program were the most articulate.

The program was based on interviews with Revolutionary War pensioners who were still alive during the American Civil War. The original interviews were conducted by Elias Brewster Hillard and later compiled by Mrs. Reid's mother, Elinor Brewster Davenport Grant. The event was co-sponsored by Denton Chapter #23 TXSSAR and the Benjamin Lyon Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

We wish to thank the DAR Benjamin Lyon Chapter and their president, Natalie Massengale, for co-sponsoring "The Last Revolutionaries". A very special thanks goes to TXSSAR Chapter #23 President James Baird, his wife Sheila, and daughter, Juliana, for their efforts in making this event a successful reality.

MEETING: MARCH 5, ELECTION, 7 PM, GOOD SAMARITAN

TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION DENTON CHAPTER #23 ELECTION OF OFFICERS MAR. 5



TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION DENTON CHAPTER #23

Joint meeting with Benjamin Lyon Chapter
of The Daughters of the American Revolution

Meeting 2:30 at St. Davids Episcopal Church

Meeting was called to order by President Baird with the Pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Baird led the pledge to the SAR and President Natalie Massengale led the pledge to the DAR.

President Baird introduced our speaker Sara Grant Reid, daughter of Eleanor Brewster Davenport Grant, with her presentation of *The Last Revolutionaries*, a report on interviews of three of the last six surviving Revolutionary Soldiers. They were Downings, Cook, and Milner. Daniel T Bateman was mentioned as the last survivor of the American Revolutionary War. The very interesting program was followed by presentation of pictures of the last six Patriots.

Announcements were made by Jack Haughton, TXSSAR Corresponding Secretary.

The Benediction was followed by the closing ceremonies by both groups followed by refreshments presented by members of the DAR.

Respectfully presented by

Gerald Brenholtz
Chapter secretary

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Minutes for the Meeting of March 5, 1998
7:00 P. M. at Denton Good Samaritan Village

The meeting was called to order by President Baird with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the Pledge to the SAR. President Baird reported that the annual report has been filed completing the necessary paper work for this year. The slate of officers for 1998 as submitted by the nominating committee was presented by President Baird - President, Bill Bell; Vice President and Program Chairman, Jim Johnson; Secretary and Newsletter Editor, Samuel Haynes; Treasurer, William Vaughn; Chaplain, Tom Bailey; Historian, Ben Casey and Geneologist, Dave Heston. The new officers were accepted and approved. A new office, that of Membership Chairman, was created and approved with James Baird accepting appointment for the initial term.

Four posters depicting the "Boston Tea Party" were reviewed and judged by those present. A pin and certificate will be presented to each of the four 5th grade students who submitted an entry. The winning poster by Jeremy Schwark of the Woodrow Wilson school will be entered in the state contest.

Announcements were made by President Baird and a discussion of the budget and other subjects took place among the members present.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. with the SAR closing.

Samuel Haynes

RICHARD FLETCHER MEMORIAL

A memorial fund has been initiated in the name of Richard Fletcher who was the first member and the first president of the Denton Chapter. Anyone wishing to contribute should make their check payable to TXSAR Denton Chapter #23 with the notation Richard Fletcher Memorial. Recommendations as to how the fund should be used will also be very welcome.

**Officer Installation - Chapter #23
will be at 7:00 p.m. April 2, 1998
Meeting at Good Samaritan Village**

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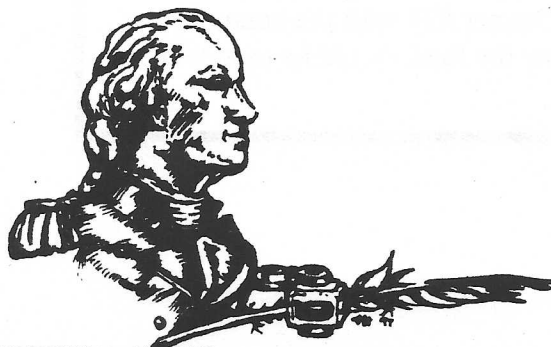


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**NAME THE CHAPTER - WE WILL HAVE AN
OPEN FORUM AT THE APRIL MEETING TO
DISCUSS SELECTION OF A NAME FOR OUR
DENTON CHAPTER. BE SURE TO COME AND
OFFER YOUR SUGGESTIONS. IF YOU CAN'T
COME WRITE DOWN YOUR IDEAS AND MAIL
THEM IN.**

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