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TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Denton Chapter #23, TXSSAR Inc. Newsletter

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAY 5, 2001

After Laurence Crapo's presentation of "My Ancestors Came Over On The Mayflower", a presentation giving sources of mayflower genealogical information, and the truth about those who made the pilgrimage to form Plymouth. The short business meeting was brought to order by President James J Johnson at 8:06 PM. Bill Bell moved that the April 5th Minutes be approved, seconded by Vice President Sam Haynes. Next on the Agenda was the Treasurer's report, to which Dr. William Vaughn announced that the balances of the Main Account were \$590.87, and the memorial account, \$113.01.

Further committees then gave their report. James Baird, the Historian, mentioning that the Scrapbook, which had won so many awards at the Annual Meeting, was to be showcased at the DAR meeting on May 12th. The question was also raised as to entering the National Scrapbook competition. Bill Bell gave his report on the preparations for the next Poster Contest, as he made schedule for informing schools for participants. Gerald Brenholtz reported on forming and processing new memberships either awaiting paperwork, or awaiting State/National approval. Sam Haynes ended the Committee reports with the recap of Flags and Law Enforcement awards granted by the chapter.

Old Business followed, consisting of further discussion of the July 4th parade float theme "Women in the Revolution", and crew, James Baird volunteering to drive. There was no other old or new business discussed, as Bill Bell led the closing, followed by Tom Bailey in prayer. The business meeting reached it's close at 8:31PM.

MAYFLOWER - Laurence Crapo

In 1620 the small vessel, Mayflower, landed at Plymouth, establishing the first permanent colony in North America. The passengers, men, women and children, referred to as Pilgrims, left England because King James I, did not permit religious freedom. The King required that every citizen belong to the official state church, the Church of England. Puritans set out to purify the state church. The Separatists wanted a separate denomination. The Pilgrims were part of the Separatist group. They first fled to Holland. But there, they had difficulty making a living. Three years later, they obtained a patent from the Virginia Company of London to settle in the New World. After much difficulty with leaking ships and other problems, they left Plymouth, England on September 16, 1620. Mr. Laurence Crapo's ancestor was on board.



Next Meeting Will Be:

JUNE 7, 2001

Good Samaritan Village, 7pm

The Speaker Will Be:

David Nelson

Subject: "The Sea Cadets"

**A Review of the
accomplishments
of the Sea Cadets**

TXSSAR Chapter #23

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James J Johnson

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William Vaughn

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Tom Bailey

Historian

James Baird

Genealogist & Membership

Gerald Brenholtz

The June meeting will be the last meeting until September 6th, 2001. At the September meeting we will view the film, "Fields of Dreams" produced by the University of North Texas.

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