

Minutes of Meeting of the East Fork Trinity Chapter (47) National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

November 13, 2014

Texas Land and Cattle Restaurant, Garland, Texas

Meeting was called to order by President Gary Lovell at 7:00PM.

Chaplain Ken Morrill gave the Invocation and also recognized veterans service.

President Gary Lovell led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

President Gary Lovell led the Pledge to the Texas flag.

Compatriot Harmon Adair led the Affirmation to the SAR.

President Gary Lovell welcomed the members and guests in attendance. (see attached attendance list)

The minutes of the October 9, 2014 meeting were approved as written.

Compatriot Harmon Adair presented the financial report. He stated the account balance was \$1504.57.

President Gary Lovell read and briefly discussed the Tenth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

President Gary Lovell discussed the following:

1. Parade and Fiesta honoring George Washington which will be held in Laredo, TX.
2. The BOM which was held November 7, 8, and 9 was well represented by our chapter. Compatriot Ken Morrill accepted the nomination to become state chaplain.
3. The Christmas parade in Rockwall, TX will be held December 6, 2014. The Rockwall Chapter of the DAR has paid the parade fee.
4. The Texas State SAR focus is now on education.

5. The EFT Color Guard is the face of our chapter. Thanks were given to Compatriot Walt Thomas.
6. The Veterans Appreciation celebrating 50 years since the Vietnam Conflict is upcoming.

Compatriot Walt Thomas gave the Color Guard report mentioning past activities such as the placement of a marker on a grave in Rockwall, Veterans Day parade in Dallas, TX, and the upcoming Christmas Parade in Rockwall, TX on the first Saturday in December. The parade begins at 9:00 AM but if you are participating you will need to be there before 8:00 AM. The cockades sale has raised a total of \$580.00 (\$240.00 has been turned over to the treasurer and an additional \$340.00 was tendered to our treasurer during the meeting). The State SAR president has initiated "elevator speeches" which are 20 second speeches. A request was made that members develop speeches which will be delivered at the chapter level initially. The state SAR is also developing a video which is being put together professionally.

Compatriot John Greer mentioned the silent auction to be held at the state convention in Houston, TX in March, 2015.

Compatriot Bill Watts handed out the new membership packet which he has developed. The Chapter logo which is on the brochure will be voted on by the membership at the December meeting.

President Gary Lovell presented the Partners in Patriotism Certificate which has been awarded to the EFT Chapter. The certificate was given to Past President Montie Monzingo. The award was for the chapter's participation in the Medal of Honor parade which was held in Gainesville, TX during his term as president.

President Gary Lovell stated that the nominating committee, which is headed by Compatriot Montie Monzingo, will present the new slate of officers to be voted on at the December meeting.

Compatriot Gary Snowden presentation of the video "We Fight to be Free" was postponed due to technical difficulties.

Chaplain Ken Morrill gave the Benediction.

Compatriot Walt Thomas led the SAR Closing.

President Gary Lovell called the meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Gary M. Lovell
President

R.C. Vickers
Secretary

**OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE
TEXAS LAND AND CATTLE RESTAURANT, GARLAND,
TEXAS ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2014.**

**OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY WILL IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOW THE CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING AT THE
SAME LOCATION. DRESS IS BUSINESS CASUAL. PLEASE
BRING A GAG GIFT.**