

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

July 14, 2016

Texas Land and Cattle Restaurant, Garland, Texas

Meeting was called to order by President Gary Snowden at 7:00 P.M.

Compatriot Rev. Ken Morrill gave the Invocation.

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

Compatriot David Rediger led the Pledge to the Texas flag.

Compatriot Montie Monzingo led the Affirmation to the SAR.

President Gary Snowden welcomed attendees and guests to the meeting and had each introduce themselves and their guests as applicable.

Vice President Bill Watts introduced Ms. Diane Johnson who presented a program on the life of "Betsy Ross" and the meaning of the stars and stripes on our flag.

President Gary Snowden asked the membership to be considering a proposal to join with the Plano Chapter in hosting the 2018 TXSSAR Convention in Richardson.

The minutes of the June 9, 2016 meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer Harmon Adair gave the treasurer's report stating the current balance in the Chapter's bank account is now \$5778.30. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

Compatriot John Greer presented the Veterans Report again requesting the Veterans Report be completed for any veteran related activity. A veterans needs list will be emailed to all members shortly.

Education Chairman Bill Watts presented Citizenship Award Certificates to Compatriots Gary Lovell, John Greer, Walt Thomas, Paul Ridenour, and Tom Whitelock.

Color Guard Commander Walt Thomas presented the Color Guard Report mentioning participation at the funeral of a slain Dallas police officer at Prestonwood Baptist Church and at the cemetery. He stated they would be participating at another funeral at the DFW National Cemetery in Grand Prairie, TX on Saturday. He further mentioned the Color Guard's participation in the Rockwall Fourth of July Parade.

Compatriot Gary Lovell reported on the efforts of the By-Laws Committee. He requested that a copy of Articles III and IV, entitled Election of Officers and Duties of Officers respectively, be reviewed by the membership and any suggested changes or comments be addressed to him at: GML1949@aol.com. Changes to Article III were suggested and a copy of Article III and IV with suggested optional changes are attached to the minutes.

President Gary Snowden presented the Military Service Medal along with a certificate acknowledging his membership in the Military Service Veterans Corps to Compatriot Paul Price. He also presented certificates of appreciation to Compatriots Ken Morrill and David Rediger for their work at the recent state convention

District 6 Vice President Tom Whitelock inducted and welcomed new members Jason Gray, Chase Rediger, and Connor Rediger. Jason Gray gave a brief presentation his patriot Ballenger Wade and Chase Rediger (along with his father David Rediger) gave a brief presentation on his patriot Silas Benedict.

Compatriot John Greer held the drawing for the door prize which was won by Paul Ridenour. Compatriot Ridenour will be responsible for next month's door prize.

Compatriot Rev. Ken Morrill gave the benediction.

Compatriot Walt Thomas led the SAR Closing.

President Gary Snowden called the meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Gary Snowden
Vice President

R.C. Vickers
Secretary

Attachments: List of meeting attendees and guests
Copies of Articles III and IV of the Chapter's By-Laws

**OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE TEXAS
LAND AND CATTLE RESTAURANT, GARLAND, TEXAS ON
THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2016.**