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

May 12, 2016

Texas Land and Cattle Restaurant, Garland, Texas

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

Compatriot Walt Thomas gave the Invocation.

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

Compatriot Paul Ridenour led the Pledge to the Texas flag.

Compatriot Paul Ridenour led the Affirmation to the SAR.

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

Compatriot Gary Lovell introduced the DAR Scholarship recipient Myra Castillo from North Forney High School. Ms. Castillo then read her essay and was presented with a check from the EFT Chapter.

Vice President Bill Watts introduced our speaker for the evening. Compatriot Montie Monzingo gave a presentation on the subject of "American Cemeteries on Foreign Soil."

President Gary Snowden read cards of thanks from Larry and Barbara Stevens and Betty Gunnels. He also read a brief biography of Button Gyneth who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

TXSSAR State Secretary Drake Peddie presented the EFT Chapter a check for \$3,000 for the chapter's participation in the recent TXSSAR convention.

The minutes of the April 14, 2016 meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer Harmon Adair presented the financial report and stated the current balance in the Chapter's bank account is now \$6462.00. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

Registrar David Powell presented the Registrar's Report as follows:

- 1. Robert Vickers II and Dr. Robert Sparks applications were inducted at the March meeting.
- 2. Casey Cooley is to be inducted this evening
- 3. Tab Dupree's application has been approved and he is awaiting induction.
- 4. Garrett Dupree's application has been approved and he is awaiting induction.
- 5. Jason Gray's application has been approved and he will be inducted at our June meeting.
- 6. Chase Rediger's application as a junior member is at National.
- 7. Connor Rediger's application's as a junior member is at National.
- 8. Prospective Member David Permenter has completed his application and is in the process of arranging for several other family members to join on the SAR Family Membership Plan. This will be a total of six new members.
- 9. Prospective Member Doyle Maston, Jr. has completed his application and it is at State. After his application is approved, we will be submitting a Memorial Application for his deceased brother Darrell Maston.
- 10. Supplemental applications are pending for Compatriots Glenn Atterberry and Leslie Anderson.

Education Chairman Bill Watts discussed the Citizenship Awards and, after much discussion, made a motion to end the program. The motion died for lack of a motion and was tabled. He also discussed the following contests: Knight Essay, Rumbaugh Oration, CAR Essay, Americanism, Poster Contest, Eagle Scout Essay, and the American History Teacher Contest. This issue was also tabled. Finally, he discussed the Flag Certificate program. He stated the Haggard Library Genealogical Society in Plano has an event scheduled on June 25, 2016 at 10:00 AM regarding life during the time of the American Revolution.

Compatriot Gary Lovell reported on the efforts of the By-Laws Committee. He stated the committee's recommendation was to review the by-laws a section at a time. A copy of the changed Article I is attached for the membership to review. Please address all comments to Gary Lovell at: <u>GML1949@aol.com</u>.

Color Guard Commander Walt Thomas presented the Color Guard Report stating the commitment made for participation at the Marine Memorial Day Ceremony in Terrell, TX on May 30, 2016. Muster will be at the park at 7:00 AM.

President Gary Snowden presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Compatriot Bill Watts.

District 6 Vice President Tom Whitelock inducted and welcomed new member Casey Cooley who then presented a short history of his patriot.

Compatriot David Powell held the drawing for six door prizes which were won by Tom Whitelock, Peggy Atterberry, Harmon Adair, Barbara Powell, Drake Peddie, and Casey Cooley.

Compatriot Walt Thomas gave the benediction.

Compatriot Dave Powell led the SAR Closing.

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

Gary Snowden Vice President R.C. Vickers Secretary

Attachments: List of meeting attendees and guests Changes to Article I 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, June 9, 2016.