



# East Fork Trinity Chapter

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Compatriots Paul Ridenour and Walt Thomas prepare to walk in the Rockwall Independence Day parade.



Gary Snowden

## Presidential Ramblings

Preparations are underway for the 2018 Texas SAR state convention in Dallas and our chapter will be celebrating its 25th anniversary in February 2018. I am also looking forward to working at the State Fair of Texas with the information booth at the DAR House. This is a great opportunity to share with Fairgoers who we are and what we stand for and quite possibly for us to find prospects for future members So remember to put the dates September 29 through October 22, 2017 on your calendar and plan on helping several days with the information booth at the fair. It has been brought to my attention that my comments last month in my article concerning the parking at the DAR House during the fair were misleading. I would like for everyone who is able to come and work at the DAR House during the Fair to know that the parking is in short supply. So if you are coming to man the booth and you plan on staying at the Fair after your shift is over then you need to make other arrangements for parking or ride the Dart green line to the Fair.

Having said that there will be more information forthcoming concerning the information table at the DAR House. As they say, stay tuned for details.

To all Officers and interested members consider yourself invited to the Third Annual TXSSAR District 6 Meeting. Details are as follows.



Gary Lovell

## A Word from our District 6 Vice President

### Texas SAR District 6 meeting

Announcing the Third Annual TXSSAR District 6 Meeting.

Location: Outback Steakhouse  
1509 North Central Expressway  
Plano, Texas 75075

Date: August 19, 2017

Time: 11:30AM

Please send agenda items and RSVP to: [vpd6@txssar.org](mailto:vpd6@txssar.org)



As the level of interest is determined, and agenda items are received updates will be furnished.

I would request Chapter Presidents invite their Officers and any other interested Members to this meeting. All SAR Members should feel welcome.



## Vice-President's Report

Are you ready for once in a lifetime event on August 21? On this day there will be a total eclipse of the sun across much of the United States. We should see a near total eclipse in the DFW area. This will not occur again for 100 years, so none of us will have another opportunity to see this phenomenon again.

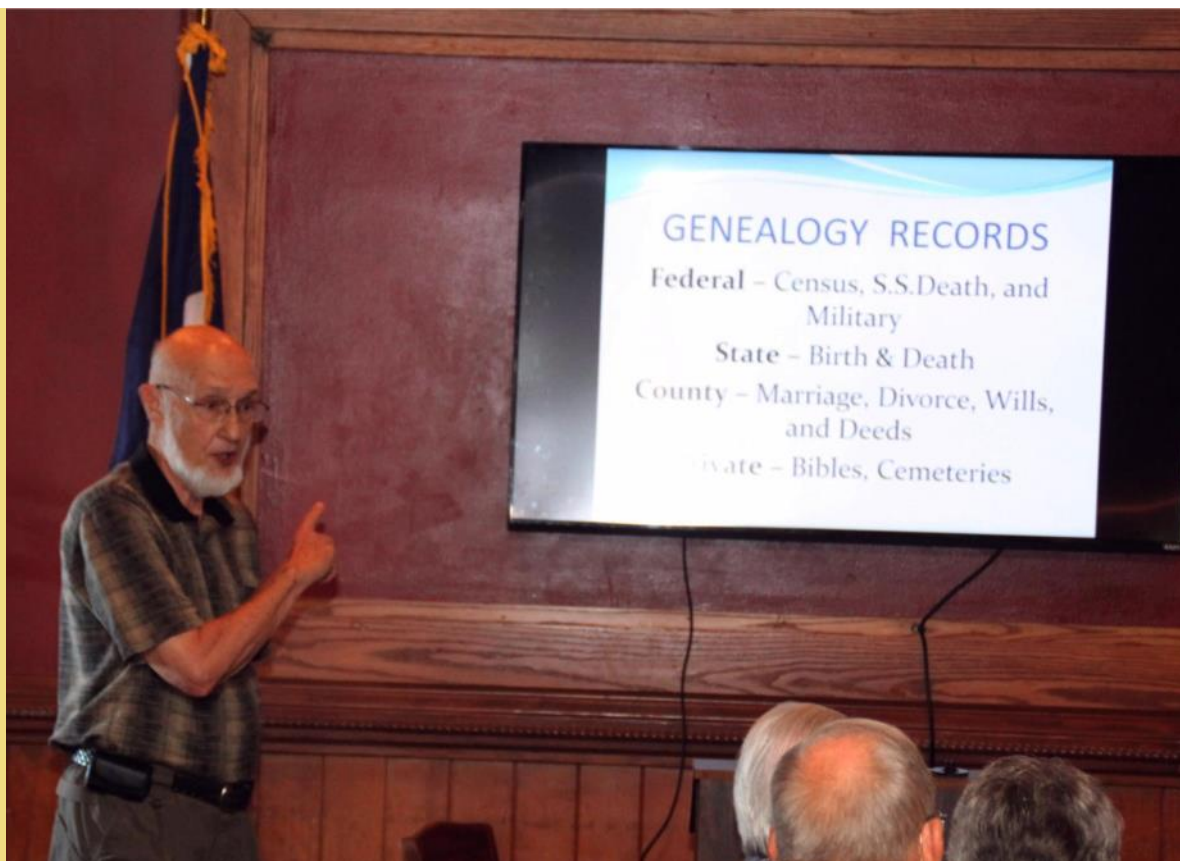
### Walt Thomas

On July 18, a legally blind World War II veteran was assaulted by vandals in Kaufman as he defended the American flag flying in his yard. Mr. Howard Banks, who fought in the Battle of Iwo Jima, often talks about seeing the American flag being raised on Mt. Suribachi on the island. We hope to join with the Dallas Chapter and perhaps other north Texas chapters to present him a flag certificate. Stay tuned for further developments.

Speaking about WWII, we have a program for our August 10 meeting about the Battle of Peleliu. Our newest member will be inducted on that night and present our program the same night. Wade Lovell will be inducted into SAR by District 6 VP Gary Lovell. Wade has done much research about the battle and it should be a very interesting program. Wade has a cousin who fought in the battle.

I hope everyone is looking forward to EFT co-hosting the Texas SAR State Convention on April 5-8, 2018 in Richardson. There will be opportunities for everyone to participate. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve wherever needed. That's all for now.

Tom Crowe made a very informative presentation on the genealogical use of land records at our July chapter meeting.







Dave Powell

## The Registrar's Corner

### MEMBER APPLICATIONS

1. New Junior Member Wade Lovell is Awaiting Induction.
2. New Junior Member Wyatt Hall is Awaiting Induction.
3. New Member Howard Mims application was approved at National on 23 Jun 2017. Howard's Patriot is Thomas Hash. Awaiting Induction
4. Prospective Member Darrell Maston. Darrell's application is at State. Darrell's Patriot is Thomas Bradford Jr. Awaiting State Review.
5. Prospective Member Gil Pier. Gil was referred to EFT by the TXSSAR Communications Secretary and we made contact with Gil on 5 July 2017. We have completed his application and it is on the way to State. Awaiting State Review.
6. Prospective Member Forrest Shields was referred to EFT by the TXSSAR Communications Secretary and we made contact with Forrest on 23 July 2017. Forrest lives in New Zealand. He used to live in Rockwall and moved with his family a couple years ago due to his father's work. We are currently working through his lineage. Forrest's Patriot is Abraham Harding (related to President Harding) Awaiting Documents.
7. Prospective Member John Stacy. John contacted EFT on 20 Jul 2017 and we have been working on his lineage. John's Patriot is Thomas Mills. Awaiting Documents.
8. Prospective Member David Skelton's application is awaiting Gens 1 & 2 documents and a death certificates for Gens 5 & 6 then it will be ready for signatures. David's Patriot is George Sorrell. Awaiting Documents.
9. Prospective Member Patrick McCully contacted. He has responded. Awaiting Family Lineage Info.
10. **Prospective Member** Zach Morrow's Aunt has contacted EFT through the State Communications Secretary, Sam Massey and we are working on his family tree. The Aunt, Kathleen Morrow has just joined the DAR and she

wants her nephew Zack Morrow to join the SAR. Awaiting Family Lineage Info and DAR RC.

11. Prospective Member Dan Wood. Applicant working on lineage.
12. Prospective Member Chris Djerf. Applicant working on lineage.
13. Prospective Member Greg Flowers. Applicant working on lineage.
14. Prospective Member Gary Hughey. Applicant working on lineage.
15. Prospective Member Jackson Miller. Contacted. Awaiting Response.
16. Prospective Member Bryan Cluck. Contacted. Awaiting Response.
17. Prospective Member Logan Martin. Contacted. Awaiting Response.

## **SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATIONS**

1. EFT Member Rob Vickers II has resubmitted his Supplemental application for his Patriot ancestor Richard Caswell. His application was received at National on 20 Mar 2017. It is currently Awaiting National Review.
2. EFT Member Leslie Anderson has two Supplemental applications at National; both were received at National on 27 Feb 2017. Leslie's Patriots are: William Ferebee and Robert Winsett. Both are currently Awaiting National Review.
3. EFT Member Robert Vickers Supplemental Application is at National. Robert's new Patriot is Bayne Smallwood. Awaiting National Review.

## **REGISTRAR'S NOTE:**

We received an Email from the TXSSAR Webmaster with some important info regarding applications:

As of the 2017 National Congress, several cumulative changes have been voted in by the Trustees. Applications submitted after January 1, 2018 must be submitted on a form that is in compliance with their latest changes.

A brief outline of the latest changes and the explanations for them as relayed to me are as follows:

- Children of the applicant will no longer be listed on the form. Because the certification paragraph is now quite lengthy, room had to be found somewhere on the form to allow this extra length and it was felt that the applicant's

children provided no relevance to information required to prove the applicant's lineage, so it was dropped.

- The Occupation of the applicant will no longer be listed on the form. This information had never been collected and used as intended, which was to identify the talents of potential volunteers, so it was dropped also in a search for additional space.
- The certification paragraph has been changed and lengthened quite a bit. The legal minds thought that much more clarification was needed in order to maintain the quality of membership that was desired.

Work on a new form is starting now, as I wanted to wait until after the 2017 Congress to be sure to include all cumulative changes in the new form. I'll send out the usual announcement when the new version is ready. Remember that you can continue to submit applications using existing forms until January 1, 2018.

Ray Cox,  
TXSSAR Webmaster

## 25th Anniversary Challenge Coin

A 25th anniversary challenge coin will be made to commemorate the East Fork - Trinity chapter's 25th year in existence. Our chapter will be celebrating its 25th anniversary at the February 2018 meeting and the challenge coin will be ready at that time. The coin will be 1.75 inches in diameter and will come in a protective vinyl sleeve. The cost of the coin will be \$10 each or 10 for \$100. You may place your order with the chapter treasurer accompanied by a check for each coin ordered. The September 14th chapter meeting will serve as the deadline for ordering challenge coins. We will order the number of coins that are paid for at that time so be sure and get your money in so that you don't miss out on this collectible piece of chapter history.



### Please Note

John Greer will not be making any more trips to the VA in Bonham until October. Please hold on to your items to be donated to the VA until our September chapter meeting. Thank you.



Rev. Ken Morrill  
Chaplain

## From the Desk of the Chaplain

### JOHN ADAMS & THOMAS JEFFERSON

There is a wonderful story from our country's history we should all know. On July 3rd, 1826, two men were both lying on their deathbeds. John Adams (90) was in Quincy, Massachusetts and Thomas Jefferson (83) was in Monticello, Virginia. As these two Founding Fathers spent their last final hours, it's all but certain that their thoughts were on two things. The first was that the anniversary of their famous signing of the Declaration of Independence was but a day away. The second was on each other.

Their friendship and the country was tested when Adams defeated Jefferson for the presidency in 1796...but the rules at the time stipulated that the loser became Vice-President. This created an awkward situation for both of them. As Adams' presidency wore on, the two began to disagree more and more. At one point, Jefferson actually left the capital and returned home, spending time drafting secret resolutions that were in direct opposition to Adams' own. The 1800 election was bitter and complicated with Adams especially under attack. When Jefferson emerged the victor, Adams left the White House in disgust. He did not attend Jefferson's inauguration and one of his last acts as president was to appoint a number of Jefferson's rivals into powerful positions. It looked like the friendship between America's two greatest statesmen had ended. They exchanged almost no correspondence for the next ten years.

Then, after the urging of a mutual friend, Adams finally wrote a letter to Jefferson on New Year's Day, 1812. Jefferson wrote back a few weeks later. They wrote each other often after that first exchange and they both came to realize that a difference of opinion did not mean a difference in character and love of this country. These two great men decided to focus on their 'friendship' rather than on their differences. They were both Americans who cared deeply about their country. For them, that was enough.

Incredibly, these two great founders, signers, presidents, and friends died within hours of each other on July 4th, 1826...the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence!!!

Remember the story of John Adams and Thomas Jefferson. Remember the ideals they stood for. Remember the friendship they had. And remember the connection they shared...they were "fellow laborers in the same cause," each working in the way they thought best. Their opinions differed greatly and after years had passed, they realized there would be no changing them. But they recognized in each other what I hope we all can recognize: "that we are all Americans, continually defending and working on a constitution that enables us all to be "the happiest and securest people on whom the good Lord has blessed and is still blessing"!!!!

**GOD BLESS**





Compatriots of EFT Chapter and Girl Scout Troup 8769 prepare to walk in the Rockwall Independence Day parade (above) and during the parade (below).







What a fine looking crew!





**Save the Date**

**5 April 2018 - 8 April 2018**

# **Texas SAR Annual Conference**



## **Hyatt Regency North Dallas**

**701 East Campbell Road  
Richardson, Texas 75081**

**Tel: (972) 619-1234**

**Web: <http://northdallas.hyatt.com>**

**Rates: Single or Double for \$115 + Tax**





## *Texas Society Ladies Auxiliary*

Sons of the American Revolution

2016-2018 PATRIOT FUNDRAISER



The Ladies Auxiliary is pleased to announce its newest Fundraiser

### A \$2,000.00 Gift Certificate

for item(s) of your choice from

*Clint Orms Silversmiths & Engravers - Ingram, Texas*

<http://clintorms.com>

*This Fundraiser supports the TXSSAR Patriot Fund*

*for the following TXSSAR Youth Contests & Scholarships:*

*Eagle Scout & Knight Essay Contests      Rumbaugh Oration Contest,*

*JROTC and Sea Cadets Scholarships      C.A.R. Essay Contest*

*Outstanding American History Teacher Award*

*Buy your tickets and support these wonderful youth programs.*

*Tickets are for sale at \$5 each from Ladies Auxiliary representatives*

*in each of the TXSSAR Chapters or from:*

*Gloria Gibson*

*For tickets    phone 703-622-1910    or email [gibsongp@me.com](mailto:gibsongp@me.com)*

*1 ticket for \$5 or 5 for \$20*

*Please make all checks payable to LATXSSAR*

*Winning ticket will be drawn at the TXSSAR State meeting in April, 2018*



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	Smoke & Fire	<a href="http://www.smoke-fire.com">http://www.smoke-fire.com</a>
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	American Heritage Clothing	<a href="http://www.colonialuniforms.com">http://www.colonialuniforms.com</a>
	Quartermaster General	<a href="http://www.thequartermastergeneral.com">http://www.thequartermastergeneral.com</a>
	Village Green Clothier	<a href="http://villagegreenclothier.com">http://villagegreenclothier.com</a>
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