



# Sons of the American Revolution

## East-Fork Trinity Chapter 47

### President's Message:



Greetings Compatriots:

I hope all is well with YOU and YOURS. It is an Honor and a Privilege to serve as I have asked our Honorable and Distinguished Color Guard Commander Randall van Heyst to reach out to J. D. Martin Color Guard Commander of the Dallas SAR Chapter and East Fork Trinity Chapter to participate in an Immigration Naturalization Ceremony.

Upcoming events:

2026 Gainesville Medal of Honor Parade, Saturday April 18, 2026

California Street between the Railroad and Braum's at 10am

SIGN UP FOR THIS EVENT CLOSES APRIL 3rd 2026.

Texas SAR Convention Austin, Texas

April 16, Thursday All Day

April 17, Friday All Day

April 18, Saturday All Day

April 19, Sunday All Day

Memorial Day May 25, 2026

The Grand Daddy of all celebrations will be July 4, 2026, the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and the founding of the United States of America. We are going to be busy and still have time to celebrate our heritage. We are blessed to have been born here. I could have easily been born in a third world country. I look forward to seeing You at Business Meeting on April 9th, 2026

Respectfully,

**Bob Kubin**

**President**

**East Fork Trinity # 47**

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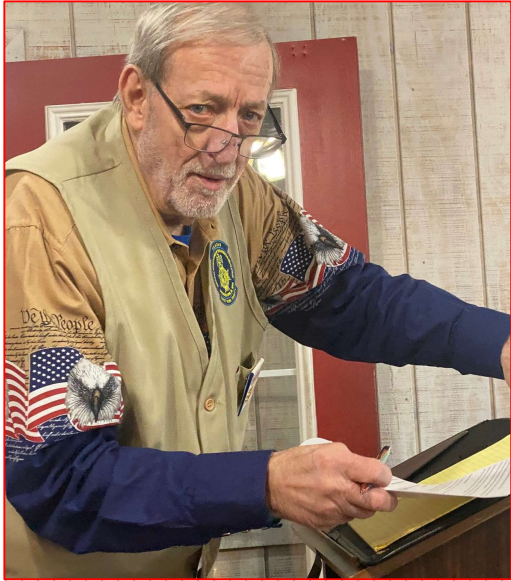
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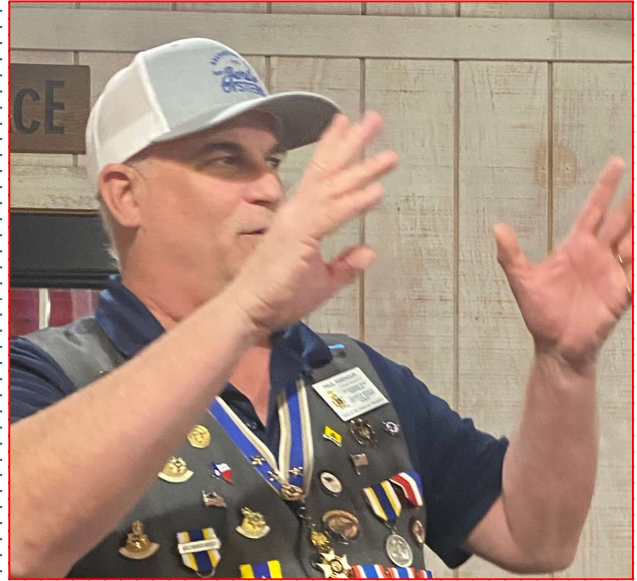
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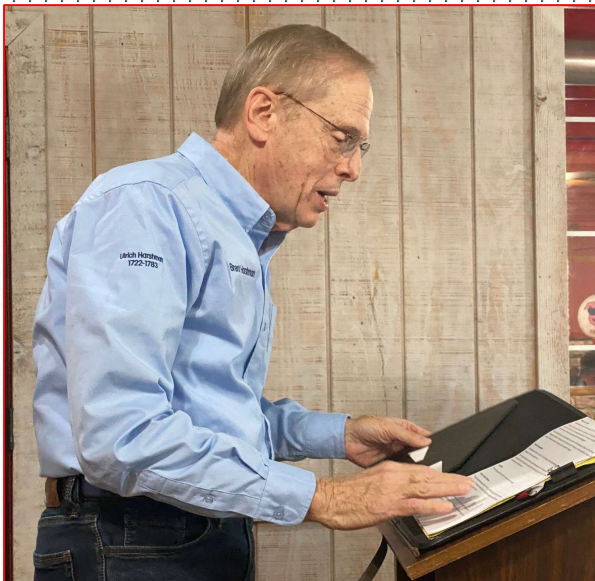
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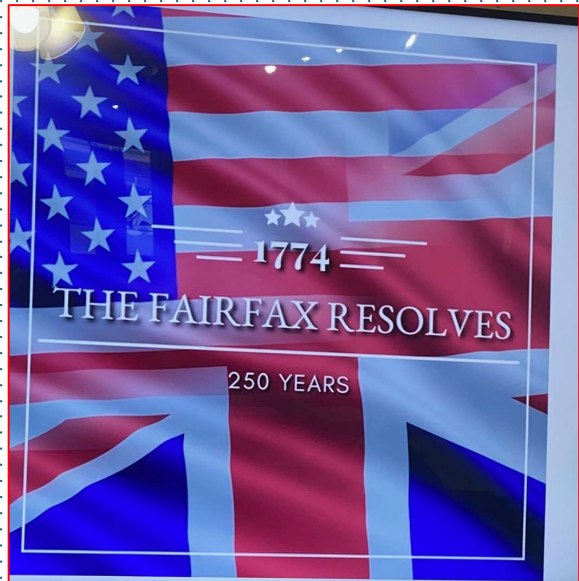
**President Bob Kubin Opens  
March Meeting**

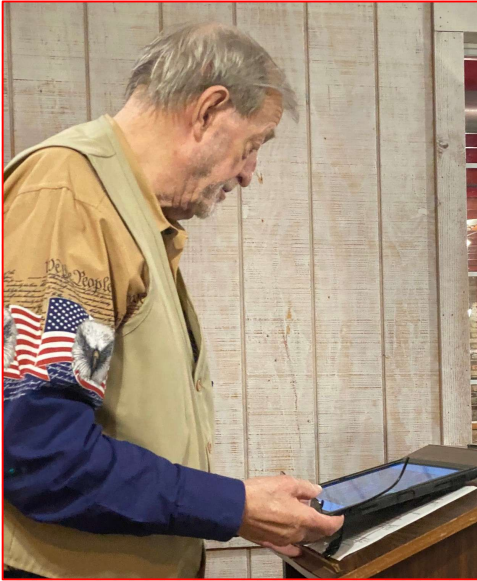


**Paul Ridenour  
Introduces Guest  
Speaker**



**Brent Harshman Gave an Excellent Presentation on  
The Fairfax Resolve-Precursor to a Revolution**





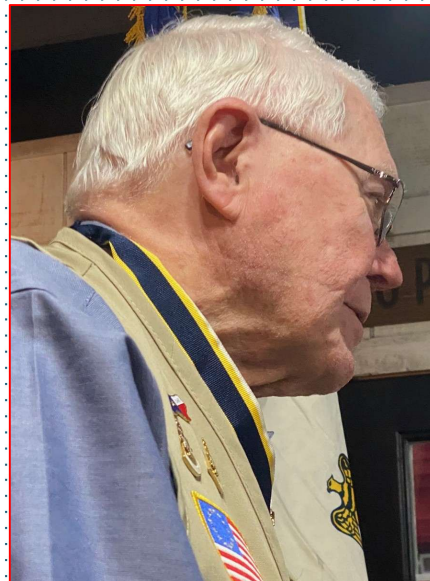
**Bob Kubin Honors  
Servicemen  
Lost in the Iran War**



**Gary Lovell Gives  
Treasurer's Report**

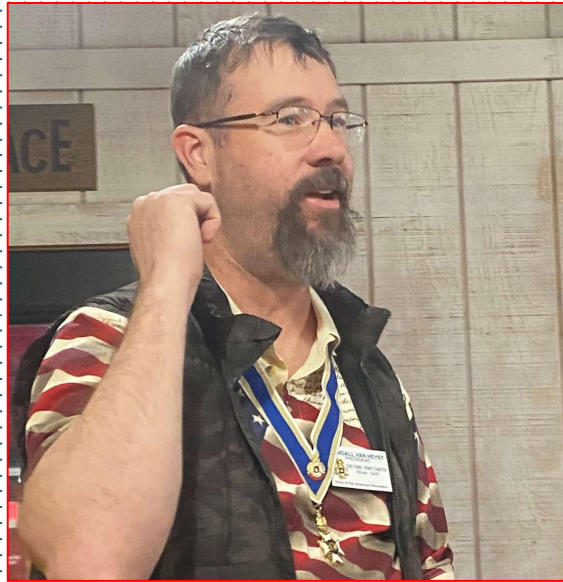


**Bob Kubin Appoints ad hoc committee to update  
Chapter History naming Walt Thomas as Chairman**





Jeff Witt Presents Registrar's Report



Randal van Heyst Presents Color Guard Report



David Powell Receives Bronze Henry Knox Achievement Medal



Bob Vickers Wins the Door Prize!!



## **Bonham Needs Listing Winter 2026**

We appreciate your interest in wanting to serve Veterans and below is an updated needs listing. All items must be new and in original packaging.

### **Clothing & Comfort Items:**

Body Wash (no bar soap or hotel/motel toilet rics)

Deodorant

Lotion

Electric Razors (for Veterans on blood thinners)

Razors (disposable double to triple blade)

Shaving Cream

Nail Clippers

Brushes and Combs

Chapstick

### **Refreshments:**

Individually wrapped snack items to include ingredients are welcome, but no homemade food items. Items such as the following:

Bottled Water

Coffee and Supplies

Juices (small boxed)

Chips

Cookies

Candy

Danishes, Donuts

### **Miscellaneous:**

Leather Crafts

Plastic Models (Cars, Airplanes, Ships, Etc.

Dominoes (Big)

Journals, notebooks

Adult coloring books, with colors or colored pencils

Paint by Stickers

Markers

Stamps

Pens, stationary

Cross word puzzles/word search (large print)

Sudoku books (large print)

New books, new magazines

Water Pitcher for the courtyard garden

**Seeking Sponsorship for the following items/activities:**

Monthly Birthday Socials

Bingo & Prizes

Cooking Group – monthly or quarterly

Bowling for Domiciliary Residents

Bonham State Park Pass

Sporting & Music Events

**Monetary and In-Kind Donations by mail, please send to:**

Sam Rayburn Memorial Veterans Center

Center for Development and Civic Engagement (135)

Atten: Tina McDaniel, CDCE Specialist 1201 E. 9th Street

Bonham, Texas 75418

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make check or money order **payable to Bonham VA Medical Center.**

**You can also donate to the Bonham VA Medical Center using E-Donate online:**

Donating is just a click away with an online donation option that provides community members the account of their choice. E-Donate provides a quick, safe way for you to pledge your support to Veterans online

E-Donate also allows you to make a donation in memory of a loved one. Select VA North Texas Health Care System and choose a designated medical center and program, along with amount that you'd like to donate. There are no extra fees to use the secure website, so every penny of your donation goes to help Veterans. All donations must be coordinated with Center for Development and Civic Engagement (CDCE) for acceptance and delivery drop off. Should you have questions regarding donations please call 903-583-6282 or email [tina.mcdaniel@va.gov](mailto:tina.mcdaniel@va.gov). Items may be mailed to address block as noted above.



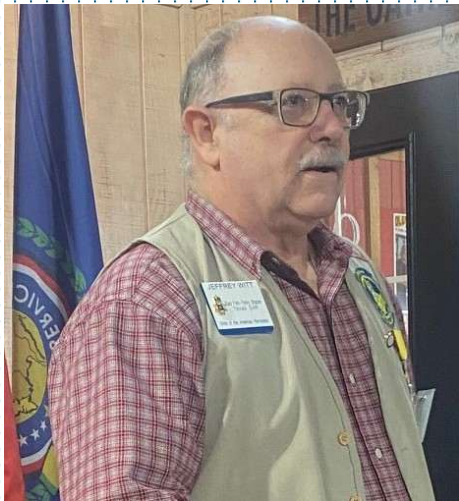
Captors Monument in Tarrytown NY

**The next meeting will be Thursday, April 9th at Soulman's Barbeque at 691 East Interstate 30 in Rockwall.**

**Dinner is at 5:30ish and the meeting will start promptly at 7:00.**

**I apologize for the Newsletter format this time. It seems Microsoft is doing away with Publisher and everyone is being forced to learn a new program. This is PowerPoint, and it lacks some of the features that Publisher has, and until I figure out a way around that, our newsletters will look a little simple.**

***David Jackson, Editor***



# Registrar's Corner

1. Prospective Regular Member: Roy Semtner was referred to EFT by State Secretary Ray Cox. Received at National on 20 Oct 2025. (ACN: 120189). First Line Sponsor: Dave Powell. Approved at National on 19 Mar 2026 (National #237454).

2. Prospective Regular Member: Bobby Moorehead was referred to EFT by Debbie West. Bobby's Patriot is George Miller. First Line Sponsor: David B. West. Received at National on 28 Jan 2026. Approved at National 26 Mar 2026. (ACN: 121504). (National # 237635).

## Jeffrey Witt

3. Prospective Regular Member: Nathaniel Bendorf was referred to EFT by Dave Powell at a Masonic Lodge meeting. His application was completed, signed and mailed to State on 25 Nov 2025. Nathaniel's Patriot is John Stanley. First Line Sponsor: Bob Vickers. Received at National on 28 Jan 2026. (ACN 121505) Awaiting National Review.

4. Prospective Junior Member Archer Phillips, referred to EFT by Della Vickers. The application has been completed and was mailed to State on 5 January 2026. First Line Sponsor: Bob Vickers. Received at National on 28 Jan 2026, (ACN 121563) Awaiting National Review. DAR Referral Form submitted for Della Vickers.

5. Prospective Junior Member Charles Vickers was referred to EFT by Della Vickers. The application has been completed and was mailed to State on 5 January 2026. First Line Sponsor: Bob Vickers. Received at National on 28 Jan 2026, (ACN 121564) Awaiting National Review. DAR Referral Form Submitted for Della Vickers.

6. Prospective Member Ben Derryberry was referred to EFT by the State Communications Secretary. Received at National 06 Mar 2026 (ACN 122272). First Line Sponsor: Bob Vickers. Awaiting National Review.

7. Prospective Member Thomas Derryberry, referred to EFT by Ben Derryberry. Received at National on 06Mar 2026 (ACN122271). First Line Sponsor: Bob Vickers. Awaiting National Review

8. Prospective Regular Member: Jowell Peden was referred to EFT by the State Communications Secretary. Received at national on 06 Mar 2026 (ACN 122274) First Line Sponsor: Jeff Witt. \* Elizabeth Witt DAR finder Referral. Awaiting National Review.

9. Prospective Regular Member Seth Dowdle was referred to EFT by his father (Member) Jeff Dowdle. Application in Work. First Line Sponsor: David Powell. Application In Work.

10. Prospective Regular Member Chase Dowdle was referred to EFT by his father (Member) Jeff Dowdle. Application in work. First Line Sponsor: David Powell. Application In Work.

11. Prospective Regular Member: Brandon Kobel was referred to EFT by the State Communications Secretary. First line Sponsor Jeff Witt. Application in work.

12. Prospective Regular Member: Curt Coltharp was referred to EFT by the State Communications Secretary. Research in progress by Mike Nelson.

13. Regular Member Paul Ridenour has submitted a Supplemental Application for review on a Patriot on his father's line of Ancestors named John Hurst. Jeff Witt is currently reviewing it.