EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 for the year 1992-1993

Date: July 9, 1992

Speaker: (Moderator) Delbert Fowler

Program: First organization meeting of proposed Garland area Chapter of the TXSSAR.

Americanism: NA

New Members: NA

Specials: Overview and purpose of The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Date: August 13, 1992

Speaker: (Moderator) Delbert Fowler.

Program: Proposed Garland area TXSSAR organizing meeting.

Americanism; NA

New Members: NA

Specials: Discussion of organizing a Chapter, Covering purpose and membership, requirements.

Date: September 10, 1992

Speaker: (Moderator) Jim Looney

Program: Proposed Garland area TXSSAR organizing meeting.

Americanism: NA

New Members: NA

Specials: Discussion of organizing a Chapter. Other Dallas members present were; Del Fouler, Joe Hill, Clyde Turner. How to qualify.

Date; October 8, 1992

Speaker: (Moderator) Jim Looney

Program: Proposed Garland area TX3SAR organizing meeting.

Americanism: NA

New Members: NA

Specials: Discussion of organizing a Chapter. Clyde Turner from Dallas Chapter present. Discussion of a name was held. East-Fork Trinity was decides upon. Discussion on interim officers, bank, tax status. Application for now Chapter submitted.

Date: November 5,1992

Speaker: (Moderator) Jim Looney

Program: Proposed Garland area TXSSAR organizing meeting.

Americanism: NA

New Members: NA

Specials: Discussion of organizing a Chapter. Nomination committee headed by Don Raines for new officers. East Fork-Trinity Chapter name was voted on and approved. Discussion of the January banquet. Application for charter was schedule for approval at the November meeting of the TXSSAR. Ten, application for new members submitted for approval. Six dual member form Dallas Chapter. Date: December 10, 1992

Speaker: (Moderator) Jim Looney

Program: Proposed Garland area TXSSAR organizing meeting.

Americanism: NA

New Members: NA

Specials: Discussion of organizing a Chapter. Nominating committee presented following: Debora Lewis President; Bobby Jolly, 1st Vice President; William Hallmark, Secretary/Treasurer; Billy Lewis, chaplain, Clyde Turner, registrar. Decided that Charter Meeting of the Chapter set for January 16, 1993, at the Western Steak

House, Mesquite, Texas at 7:00 P.M.

Date: January 16, 1993

Speaker: Dr. T. David Yeilding—Preceding Col. Delbert Fowler—Master of Ceremony Will Strong—Ceremony Marshall

Program: Institution Ceremony for East Fork⁻Trinity Chapter

Americanism: NA

- New Members: Delora Lewis, Bob Jolly, William Hallmark, Billy Lewis, Don Raines, Jimmie DeFord, Noe Edwards, Sean Edwards, Randy Edwards
- Specials: Chapter Institution Ceremony. Swearing of new members. Swearing in of officers: Debora Lewis, President; Col. Bob Jolly, Vice–President; William Hallmark, Secretary/Treasurer; Billy Lewis, Chaplain, Clyde Turner, Registrar. Special Certifications of Appreciation given out. Dual members: Dr. Sherman Sparks, Robert Duckworth, Robert Kittrell, R.A. Williams, William Maupin, Harold Harless, Ray Burton, Clyde Turner. New Chapter officers sworn in by Col. Delbert Fowler.

Date: February 11, 1992

Speaker: Scott Igo

Program: Gen. George Washington

Americanism: NA

- New Members: Raymond Francis Cooper, Gary Eugene Vawter, James Kenneth Ingram, and Sam Rayburn Donaldson.
- Specials: Nomination report for next year's officers: Delora Lewis, President; Bobby Jolly, Vice President; William Hallmark, Secretary/Treasurer; Billy Lewis, Chaplain; Clyde Turner, Registrar. To be installed at March, 1993 meeting.

Date: March 18, 1993 Special: Chapter officers Program: Americanism Program from each officers on his Revolution Ancestor. Americanism: Tribute to Sam .Houston-Delora Lewis New Members: Specials: Swear in of new officers by Past NSSAR Chancellor General William R. Eddleman. Officers: Delera Lewis, Pres.; Bob Jolly, Vice Pres.; William Hallmark Sect/Treas.; NEW Billy Lewis, Chaplin; Clyde Turner, Registrar. OFFICERS: The Chapter poster entry of Jonathan Harris won 3rd place in the state contest. 1993-94 Date: April 8, 1993 Speaker: Mark LeMaster Program: 250th birthday of Thomas Jefferson Americanism: None New Members: Specials: District Vice Pres. Charles Lindsey sworn in new member: Glen Blackwell. Jack Houghton representing the Plano Chapter Donated our Chapter a American and Texas flag set. Date: May 13, 1993 Speaker: Col. Bob Jolly Program: Americans greatest cavalaryman-Nathah Buford Forrest. Americanism: The battle of the Revolution that wasn't-Billy Lowis. New Members: Specials: New member Charles Schmalzried Jr. sworn in by Chapter President, Delora Lewis. 1st supplemental certificate to Sam Donaldson. Date: June 10, 1993 Speaker: Dr. David Smith Program: Abraham Lincoln Americanism: 'White Slavery or Indenture Service of-William Hallmark. New Members: Specials: Date: July 8, 1993 Speaker: Lloyd Bockstruck. Program: Last survivors of the American Revolution. Americanism: Gilford courthouse-Clyde Turner New members: Specials: Date: August 12, 1993 Speaker: John Waterfield Program: British Gen. John Burgoyhe's invasion of N. Y. state 1777. Americanism: Battle of Bennington in New York State. New Members: Specials: Col. Ray Burton appointed new Chapter Vice-President. He replaces Col. Bob Jolly who has relocated to Arkansas. The first Chapter suplemental certificate for Sam Donaldson.

Date: September 9, 1993 Speaker: Tom Tullock Program: U.S. Constitution and Bill of rights Americanism: Battles of the revolution fought in the month of September—Delora Lewis. New Member: Specials: Ray Burton approved by the Chapter as the new Vice President. Date: October 14, 1993 Speaker: Denne Sweeney Program: West Point in the American Revolution. Americanism: October revolution Battles—Delora Lewis New Members: Specials: To have a S.A.R. display table at the Col. Mason D.A.R. genealogy conference. Date: November 11, 1993 Speaker: Sonia Brown Program: Paris Peace Treaty following the American Revolution. Americanism: November Revolution Battles—Delora Lewis Tribute to Stephen Fuller Austin, the Father of Texas, upon this his 200th birthday.-Delora Lewis. New Members: Special: Sam Donaldson receives second Supplemental certificate. Date: December 9, 1993 Speaker: Chan Edmonson Program: Revolution ancestor research source material. Americanism: Valley Forge-Billy Lewis

Specials: Donated copies of his books to the Garland Library

New Members:

Date: January 13, 1994
Speaker: President TXSSAR, Col. Delbert Fowler
Program: Battle of Cowpens S.C., Jan^uary 14, 1791 Revolution.
Americanism:
New Members: Charles E. Ingram
Specials: Decision was made and voted upon to relocated our meetings to the Garland Main Library.
Date: February 10, 1994
Speaker: E.C. (Bo) Harris
Program: Battle of Kings Mountain, S.C.
Americanism: General George Washington
New Members:
Specials: Election of new Chapter officers: Ray Burton, President; William Hallmark, Vice President; Billy Lewis, Secretary/Treasurer; Sam Donaldson, Chaplin; E.C. (Bo) Harris, Registrar.

Date: March 17, 1994 Speaker: Beamin Franklin Program: Video recording your family history and genealogy. Americanism: Seigh of Charleston S.C.-Delora Lewis New Members: James Duty Specials: Swear in of new officers: Fray Burton, President; Bill Hallmark, Vice-President; Billy NEW Lewis Secretary/Treasure; Sam Donaldson, Registar; E.C. (Bo) Harris, Chaplin. **OFFICERS**: 1994-95 Date: April 14, 1994 Speaker: Judge Nathan E. White and Judge --- ---Program: Constitution and Bill of Rights Americanism: None New Members: Specials: Date: May 12, 1994 Speaker: John Stepp Program: Americanism: New Members: Specials: Date: June 9, 1994 Speaker: Col. Ray Barton Program: Slide program on Old Colonial Williamsburg Americanism: New Members: Specials: Presentation of Miniature Liberty Bells to last years officers by, past Chapter President, Del era Lewis. Date: July 14, 1994 Speaker: Judge John M. Marshal Program: The Revolution period in Europe. Americanism: Declaration of Independence-Billy Lewis New Members: Specials: Date: A ugust 11, 1994 Speaker: Sonia Brown Program: Thomas Jefferson Americanism: Ray Burton New .Members

Special: Awarded the State Managers plaque For meeting our target for new members.

Date: September 8, 1994 Speaker: Past President General NSSAR Clovis Brakebill Program: Loves of General Marquis De Lafayette Americanism: Ray Burton New Members: Specials:

Date: October 13, 994 Speaker: John Waterfield Program: Battle of Brandywine in southern Pennsylvania. Americanism: E.C. (Bo) Harris New Members: Specials: Received the Chapter SAR Flag.

Date: November 10, 1994
Speaker: E. Glenn Graves author book on Presidents of U.S.
Program: Talk on his creation of U.S. President book with his Presidential sketches in it
Americanism: Ray Burton
New Members: Ralph Elwood Beal II, Duane Everett Deese.
Specials: Mr. Graves presented two copies to the Library. Transfer member Charles C.
Haralson. Billy Lewis of The Burimingham Trust Pond in Wylie sponsor an Armistice
Day commemoration at the Brown House. Our Chapter President Ray Burton one
of speakers. Chapter To have military weapons display at House.

Date: December 8, 1994 Speaker: Program: Americanism: James City on the Duty family of America. New Members: Specials: Presented a flag certificate to the City of Wylie, Texas, Dec. 13, 1994

Data: January 13, 1995 Speaker: William N. Floyd–President TXSSAR

Program: Spoke on the 200 years prior to the Revolution.

Americanism:

New Members:

Specials: This was a special join meeting with the Mesquite Chapter so as allow TXSSAR President Floyd to meet with the Chapters.

Date: February 9, 1995 Speaker: Kelvin L. Meyers Program: General George Washington Americanism:

New Members:

Specials: Elected new Chapter officers: E.C. (Bo) Harris, President; James Duty, Vice President; Jimmie DeFord Secretary/Treasure; Sam Donaldson, Chaplain. Judge posters for contest.

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 programs for 1995-1996

Date: March 9, 1995 Speaker: Lloyd Bockstruck Program: Nationality/Ethnic background of Patriot Ancestors. Americanism: New member: Specials: Lloyd Bockstruck installed new officers: (Only two were present) E. C. "Bo" Harris, NEW President and James V. "Jimmie" De Ford, Jr., Secy/Trea. Others to be installed at OFFICERS: a later date. 1995-96 Date: April 13. 1995 Speaker: Helena Shipley

Speaker: Helena Shipley Program: The United States Flag Americanism: New member: Specials:

Date: May 11, 1995 Speaker: Dorothy M. Rushing Programs: Women in the American Revolution Americanism: New member: Specials:

Date: June 8, 1995 Speakers: Program: Americanism: New member: Specials:

Date: July 8, 1995

Speakers: Garland Fire Department representatives: Firemen - Jerry Click, David Gott and Frank Bickel.

Program: Garland firemen told about their experiences as a part of the rescue team effort by Garland to send them to Oklahoma City to help out follow-the bombing of the government building.

Americanism: New Member: Specials: Date: August 10, 1995 Speaker: Program: Americanism: New member: Specials: Date: September, 14, 1995 Speaker: Ms. Barbara Blake, Dir. of Rowlett Public Library Services. Program: An overview and changes made to our Constitution. Americanism: New member: Specials: Date: October 12, 1995 Speaker: Program: Americanism: New member: Specials: Date: November 9, 1995 Speaker: Llda Mobley, DAR and SAR Representative Program: The purpose of the Society of the "Children of the American Revolution." Mrs. Mobley's two grandchildren who are CAR members spoke on their activities in CAR. Americanism: Pennsylvania Rifle by Duane Deese New member: Specials: Date: December 14, 1995 Speaker: Christmas Party held at home of Ray Burton. Program: Fellowship and good deserts. Americanism: New member: Specials: The members present were advised of the resignation from the presidency of the

local SAR Chapter by by Elmer "BO" Harris as of December 14, 1995 due to health reasons.

Date: January 11, 1996 Speaker: Lloyd Bockstruck Subject: An American Revolution topic. Americanisms: New member: Specials: The Eagle Scout winner of the local SAR's Essay Contest gave his essay and was presented the SAR Eagle Scout Medal. Dates: February 8, 1996

Speaker: Richard Arnold, Vice President of the Dallas SAR. Program: An American Revolution topic. (Richard is a nephew of General "Hap" Arnold. Americanism: New members: Specials:

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 programs for 1996-1997

Date: March 14, 1996 Speaker: Clovis Brakebill, Past President General of SAR Program: Ladies in the Life of George Washington. Americanism: New members: Specials: Clovis Brakebill swore in the new officers: James Duty - President, James DeFord -Vice President, Jerry Rounds - Secretary/Treasurer, Ray Burton - Registrar and NEW Duane Deese, Historian. OFFICERS: 1996-97 Date: April 11, 1996 Speaker: Homer B. Johnson - GISD Athletic Department. Program: Reminiscence of the great years of Garland ISD Athletics. Americanisms: Formation of the State of Texas - Bill Hallmark. New member: Specials: Date: May 9. 1996 Speaker: Jane Power - member of the George Mason DAR Chapter of Garland.

Program: Old Blanford Church of Petersburg, Virginia.

Americanism:

New members: Ben Armstrong and Roy Moore

Specials: Ray Burton reported on the Garage Sale held by the East Fork-Trinity Chapter. The Garage Sale netted \$464.99 plus 32.00 for a total of 496.99. It was held at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Adams (Christine Lewis parents.)

Date: June 13. 1996

Speaker: Judson Shook - Dallas Co. Public Works Engineer.

Program: Speakers role in creation of the sixth floor exhibit of the President Kennedy

Assassination located in the Book Depository building.

Americanism:

New members:

Specials: Compatriot Jimmie DeFord described the book, "Revolutionary War Bounty Land Grants" which he was donating to the Nicholson Library.

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 Programs for 1996-1997

Date: July 11, 1996

Speaker: Richard Miller, Public Services supv. of Garland Library

Program: Subject: CD-ROM sources of genealogical info recently installed at the main Garland Library.

Americanism:

New Members:

Specials: Ray Burton told about his successful display about the American Revolution at the Rowlett Independence Day Festival.

Date: August 8, 1996

Speaker: Jimmie DeFord, Garland SAR V.P.

Program: Subject: Washington and his Guard.

Americanism:

New members:

Specials: 1996-97 budget was formulated at a budget review meeting on August 22, 1996 to be presented to the SAR for approval at the September 12th meeting.

Date: September 12, 1996

Speaker: Dr. Margery Petrovich of GISD

Program: Subject: Insights into Patriotic Occurences in American History.

Americanism:

New Members:

Specials: The proposed budget for the Fiscal Year which began on 4/1/96 and going through 3/31/97 was approved by a vote of the SAR membership.

Date: October 10, 1996

Speaker: Stephen Hill, Garland Atty.

Program: Subject: "An attorney's impressions of the U.S. Constitution"

Americanism:

New Members:

- Specials: 1. Garland SAR members participated in a clean-up of Hwy 66 from Rowlett Rd. to the Lake. This clean-up was under the State of Texas "Adopt a Highway Program."
 - 2. Garland SAR member, Wm. Hallmark, received three supplemental ancestor certificates.

Date: November 14, 1996

Speaker: Delora Lewis

Program: Subject: "Historical review by Delora Lewis of his ancestors family, Rives (Ryves) which date back to the early 1400's".

Americanism: New members: Specials:

Date: December 12. 1996

- Speaker: Jack Williams, Texas State Director of Wills, gifts and hospital endowments for for the Shrine organization.
- Program: Subject: He spoke about the purposes of the 22 Shrine Hospitals for Crippled Children as well as the Shrine Burn Hospital in Galveston, Texas.

Americanism:

New Members:

Specials:

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 Programs for 1996-1997

Date: January 9 1997

Speaker: Duane E. Deese

Program: Subject: Indentured Servants, their lives and times during the Colonial days. His talk was based on the life of Helen Deese's Revolutionary ancestor, Friedrich Carl Christlieb.

Americanism: Jimmie DeFord spoke on the contribution to the cause of liberty by Gen. Casimir Pulaski.

New members:

Specials:

<u>Dates: February 13, 1997</u> Speakers Rev. Earl Harvey Program: Subject: American Revolution and Civil War Americanism:

New Members:

Specials: Nominations for Chapter officers for the coming year (April 1, 1997 to Mar. 31, 1998) were announced as follows:

New	President:	James DeFord
OFFICERS	Vice-Pres.:	William Hallmark
1997-987	Secy-Trea .:	Jerome Rounds
	Registrar:	Ray Burton
	Historian:	Duane Deese

Date: March 20, 1997

Speakers: John C. (Jack) Haughton, TX6SAR Corresponding Secretary

Programs: Subject: "Franklin, the 14th State."

Americanism:

New Members:

Specials: John C. Haughton installed the 1997-1978 Garland SAR officers. James Duty, former Garland SAR president, was presented a Past President certificate.

Date: April 13, 1997

Speaker: Don Raney, Dir. of Dallas Genealogical Society.

Program: Subject: Research in Texas Land Records.

Americanism:

New Members:

Specials: 1997 History Poster Contest winners were announced as follows: John Sokatch was 1st place winner of Garland and 2nd place of the Texas State SAR contest. May Tudtud, won second place in Garland's SAR contest. The theme was "George Washington at Valley Forge."

Date: May 8, 1997

Speaker: Bob Mosher, Chaplain and Commander Elect of VFW Post 5076 in Garland and Jo E. Ivie of American Post 23.

Program: Subject: VFW AND OTHER Veterans' Organizations.

Americanism: Pres. Jimmie DeFord made presentation to the guest speakers.

New Members:

- Specials : 1. Ray Burton introduced the "Bakeless Cake Sale" as a new method to raise funds. It involves direct donations.
 - 2. Kroger cards were distributed to the members which will send 1% to our SAR for all groceries purchased.

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 Programs for 1997-1998

Date: June 12, 1997

Speaker: Bill Hallmark and Jerry Rounds

Program: Subject: 1. Bill Hallmark spoke about Col. George Rogers Clark and the Battle of Kaskrskia in the Kentucky territory.

2. Jerry Rounds described how cabins and other shelters were designed and built in frontier Iowa.

Americanism:

New Member:

Specials: The Garland SAR Chapter placed an Americanism display in the lobby of the downtown Garland Library. The Revolutionary War display consisted of of a soldier's hat along with pictures of the battles of the War.

Date: July 10, 1997

Speaker: Michael Matthews, host of the Family History Radio Talk Show aired on KRLD. The SAR Meeting was held at the Garland Sr. Activity Center attended by thirty people.

Subject: Michael Matthews gave insight into how his genealogical talk show began and how it inspires his listeners to do family research.

Americanism:

New Members: Leon Taylor Specials:

Date: August 14, 1997

Speaker: Jimmie DeFord

Program: Subject: National Archives Records. Americanism: Delora Lewis spoke about the Battle of Yorktown. New Members:

Specials:

Date: Sept. 11, 1997

Speaker: Jane Power of George Mason Chapter of DAR Program: Subject: Tracing the lineage of our Revolutionary ancestors. Americanism: New Members: Specials:

Date: October 9, 1997 Speaker: No meeting was held. Program: Americanism: Specials:

Date: November 13, 1997 Speakers Bill Hallmark Program: Subject: Barrie of Bennington Americanism: Delora Lewis spoke on Armistice Day. New Member: William Gene Bellomy Specials:

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 Programs for 1997-1998

Date: December 11, 1997

Program: The Chapter held a Christmas Dinner at Denny's Restaurant located at LBJ Fwy and Northwest Hwy. There was no business meeting,

Date: January 8. 1998 Speaker: Compatriot Bill Hallmark Program: Subject: The Commanders in the Battle of Trenton. Americanism: New Members: Special:

Date: February 12, 1998

Speaker: Compatriot Bill Bellomy

Program: Subject: George Washington

Americanism: Compatriot Bill Hallmark, V.P., continued his discussion of the Commanders in the Battle of Trenton.

New Members:

Special: The slate of officer nominations for the 1998-1999 was presented to the membership by Compatriot Delora Lewis.

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 for the Year 1998-1999

Dates March 19, 1998

Speaker: NSSAR Past President General Clovis Breakbill

- Program: Compatriot Breakbill spoke about, "George Washington's Ancestors in England using slides."
- Americanism: Compatriot Bill Bellomy spoke about his ancestor, William Pace, who served as a Life Guard who protected General George Washington during the Revolutionary War.

New members:

Special: NSSAR Past President General Breakbill installed the the following officers of the Garland Chapter for the Year 1998-1999: Pres. William Hallmark, Sr.; Vice Pres.

NEW William Bellomy; Secy/Trea. Duane Deese; Registrar Ray Burton; Chaplain James OFFICERS Duty.

1998-99

Compatriot Ray Burton announced that our Chapters applicant for TXSSAR Teacher of the Year, Kelly Smith, placed second at the TXSSAR State Convention. Compatriot Ray Burton introduced the local Eagle Scout Essay Contest winner who

was Jeff Brasier. He read his winning essay entitled, "Benjamin Harrison, Gov. of Virginia."

Garland voted to purchase two CD ROMS for the Library entitled, "Revolutionary War Graves" and "SAR Patriots Index."

Compatriot Duane Deese announced the local History Poster Contest winners.

Date: April 9, 1998

Speaker: Sonia Armstrong Brown

Program: S onia Brown presented slides of and talked about the

Thos. Jefferson mansion. Her topic was entitled; Thos. Jeffersons place in History.

Americanisms: Compatriot Delora Lewis

Newmembers:

Special: The budget for 1998-1999 was adopted by the membership.

Date: May 14, 1998

Speaker: Compatriots James DeFord, James Duty and Duane Deese spoke about their respective ancestors.

Program: Compatriot DeFord talked about Charles and Elizabeth Lee Jones who owned the Jones Ferry in So. Carolina.

Compatriot Duty spoke about Winslow Turner, member of the Plymouth Colony party. Compatriot Dees talked about Lemuel Barrit and the friendship he had with Michael Cresap.

Americanism: Compatriot Bellomy spoke about Gen. George Washington. New members:

TXSSAR Dist. Six V/P Visited the Garland Chapter and stated during his visit that E-Special: Mail address is needed our Chapter; the Nssar Convention will be held in Orlando Florida; and the Spring 1998 TXSSAR News bulletin will contail a listing the new State officers.

Date: June 11, 1998

Speaker: Sue Montgomery, Director of No. Garland H/S History Dept.

Program: Sue Montgomery presented a film video of Gen. George Washington military campaigns.

Americanism: Compatriot Lewis talked about Patrick H. Bradley, member of the Flag Alliance. Compatriot Duty talked about the accomplishments of Alexander Hamilton.

New members:

Specials: The Garland members voted not to accept a Mesquite meeting.

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 Programs for the Year 1998-1999

Date: July 9, 1998

Speaker: Peggy McCarty, North Garland H/S History teacher.

Program: Peggy McCarty spoke on the formulation of the Declaration of Independence. Americanism: Compatriot Ray Burton played a tape of patriotic music sung by the Dallas Police

Chorus; Compatriot Duane Deese played a recording of comedian Red Skelton on which Skelton talks about the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Members:

Special: Compatriot James DeFord presented a certificate to President William Hallmark recognizing his documentation of his ninth Revolutionary War ancestor.

Date: August 13, 1998

Speaker: Mike Bell, North Garland High School teacher.

Program: Mike Bell reviewed the book, "Rediscovering George Washington.

Americanism: Compatriot Debora Lewis spoke about Nancy Hart Morgan know as the "War Woman." Nancy Morgan was a spy for the Colonial troops.

New members:

Special: Compatriot Ray Burton announced that he was donating to the Nicholson Library a book entitled, American Revolutionary War soldiers born in Texas."

Date: September 10, 1998

Speaker: Kelly Smith, Walnut Glen Academy 5th Grade teacher.

- Program: Kelly Smith who placed second in the TXSSAR Teacher of the contest being sponsored by our Chapter was able to make the trip to Valley Forge when the First Place winner was unable to go, Kelly Smith told the Chapter members about the many things she saw on the trip.
- Americanism: Compatriot Bellomy talked about the twelve lawyers who took part in the American Revolutionary War.

New Member: James Richard Brown was installed as a new member.

Special: Compatriot Ray and Virginia Burton announced plans to invite the Chapter members to their home for our annual Christmas party on December 10, 1998.

Date: October 8, 1998

Speaker: Curtis Flatt

- Program: Curtis Flatt spoke about Lt. Col. Banartre Tarleson of the British Army who was known as "Bloody Ban" and also as "No Quarter Tarleson."
- Americanism: Compatriot James R. Brown spoke about the Assassination attempt on Benjamin Franklin.

New member:

Special: A thank you note was received from the Nicholson Library for our Chapters donation of a CD ROM. Virginia Burton was honored with the award to her of the Martha Washington Medal for her aiding our Chapter in membership recruitment.

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 Programs for the Year 1996-1999

Date: November 12, 1998

Speakers Genny Poffenberger

Program: Jenny Poffenberger, National DAR Representative, spoke about her work at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Dallas.

- Americanism: Compatriot William Hallmark spoke about Congress passing a resolution in 1921 honoring the WWI Unknown Soldier. New Member:
- Special: Martha Bellomy presented a recitation on how people during the Revolutionary War period counted their blessings. Martha reminded us that we need to count our blessings also. Compatriot Hallmark donated a roll of postage stamps to the Chapter for its use. Compatriot Burton reported on the Board of Managers meeting. Compatriot Lewis reported on Garage Sale.

Date: December 10. 1998

Program: The Chapter held its annual Christmas Party at the home of Compatriot Ray and Virginia Burton.

Special: A short business meeting was held to plan programs for the coming year.

Date: January 14, 1999

Speakers: David S. Pinson, Registrar for the Dallas SAR Chapter.

Program: Compatriot Pinson spoke on the Georgia Campaign during the Revolutionary War. Americanism: Compatriot Lewis spoke about Thomas Paynes pamphlet, "Common Sense."

Special: A Nomination Committee consisting of Compatriots Lewis, Burton. and Armstrong was appointed. Compatriot Bellomy reported on his recent trip to Virginia.

Date: February 11, 1999

Speakers: Compatriot Bill Hurst, Peters Colony Chapter.

- Program: Compatriot Hurst spoke on the kind of uniforms worn by General George Washington.
- Americanism: Compatriot Bill Bellomy spoke about Major Ferguson, British soldier, who invented a rifle which had a shooting range of 300 yards. The rifle could be reloaded six times in one minute.

New Member:

Special: Chapter members voted to accept the Nomination Committee's report. Motion was

1999-2000 made by Compatriot Burton and seconded by Compatriot Bellomy. The 1999-2000

NEW officers are President Delora Lewis; Vice President-William Bellomy; Secy/Trea.-

OFFICERS Duane Deese; Chaplain-James Duty; and Registrar-William Hallmark.

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 for the year 1999-2000

Date: March 18, 1999

Speakers: Col, E. Graham Martin, Jr.

- Program: Col. Martin Presented to the Garland Chapter presented a flag ribbon for some members increasing their donations over last year to the Joe M. Hill Patriots Activities Fund. The Joe Hill Fund underwrites many of TXSSAR projects and contests.
- Project: Compatriot William Bellomy proposed that the Garland Chapter participate in the celebration of the "1999 George Washington Bicentennial Year." The Chapter voted to allow Compatriot Bellomy to spend up to \$100 on the Bicentennial project.
- Americanism: Compatriot Bill Hallmark talked about his ancestor, George Wythe, who lived in Virginia and was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.
- Special: Col. Martin announced that Walnut Glan Academy student won first place at the SAR State Convention with History poster depicting, "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere." The Garland Chapter was given custody for one year of the James W. Looney "Elementary School Poster Contest Award" plaque. The Walnut Glen student is named Jordan Miller. Col. Martin installed the new Chapter officers.

Dates April 8, 1999

Speaker: Compatriot William Bellomy dressed in the uniform of a Life Guard assigned to protect George Washington.

- Program: Compatriot Bellomy's ancestor was William Pace, ,Washington Life Guard. William Bellomy in a skit was interviewed by Martha Bellomy, also dressed in a period costume. She asked Bill Bellamy about events in the life of his ancestor, William Pace.
- Americanisms: Compatriot Delora Lewis spoke on important dates in the formation of the American Colonial government. Specials Compatriot Lewis proposed April 16th for the Chapter to hold a Garage Sale.

Date: May 13, 1999

Speakers: Captain Richard Arnold, Commander of the Texas Militia.

Program: Compatriot Arnold, dressed in Revolutionary War uniform spoke on the Battle of Trenton.

Americanism: Debora Lewis

Special: President Lewis read a request from Dick Jones, Dist. 6 Vice President, that the Garland Chapter and the Mesquite co-sponsor the November 1999 Board of Managers meeting. Decision postponed until later. Compatriot Bellomy reported on the progress of our Chapters celebration of George Washington Bicentennial. Plans have been made to have the Mayor of Garland sign a plocamation honoring George Washington-and fly flag.

Dates June 10, 1999

Speaker: Jon Hume, GISD teacher, presented program on Pres. Madison.

Americanism: Compatriot Bellomy spoke on Patrick Henry.

Special: Compatriot Bellomy appeared in uniform at Restland Cometary along with members of the North Texas Militia in Memorial Day ceremonies.

President Lewis announced that our Chapter will not host the Board of Managers meeting.

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 for the Year 1999-2000

Date: July 8, 1999

Speaker: Melissa Rogers, GISD High School teacher,

Programs: Melissa Rogers spoke on the American Revolution.

- Americanism: Compatriot James Duty spoke on the personal sacrifices made by the signers of the Declaration of Independence.
- Special: Compatriot Bellomy reported on our Bicentennial activities. 1. Presentation of a Silver TXSSAR Good Citizen ship medal to Richard Pollard, 103 year old WWI veteran who served in France and was presented earlier a Medal of Valor by the French Government. 2. Garland Chapter members road on a decorated float in the July 4th Parade. 3. A specialcake decorated for July 4th was enjoyed by Chapter members at the July 8th meeting.

Date: August 12, 1999

Speaker: Sheri Burgin, GISD High School teacher,

Program: Sheri Burgin spoke on the designers of the U.S. Constitution.

- Americanism: Compatriots Duane Deese and William Hallmark joined together to discuss the purchase of the land on which the City of Washington D.C. was built and to talk about the designer of thearchitectual plan for the layout of the city itself. The person who created the plans was a black man named William Banneker.
- Special: Compatriot Bob Coker of the Dallas Chapter appeared at Garlands meeting to ask the members to support his candidacy for President of District State office. President Lewis presented the SAR Meritorious Service Medal to Compatriot Ray Burton.

Date: September :9. 1992

- Program: A non formal work session in the Genealogical Section of the Garland Nicholson Memorial Library was held. The purpose was to give the opportunity to members to work on possible supplemental applications.
- Americanism: President Lewis passed out a printed copy of the article entitled, "Our Forgotten Presidents."

Date: October 14. 1999

Speaker: Compatriot Ben Armstrong

Program: Compatriot Armstrong showed a slide presentation of the Battle of Yorktown. Americanism: President Debora Lewis on Columbus Day.

Special: TXSSAR President elect Dick Arnold was recognized. He reported on plans to list SAR Revolutionary War veterans by name. Compatriot Bellomy reported on his visit to Valley Forge. He surprised other visitors by wearing his Washington Guard uniform.

Date: November 11, 1999

Speaker: Jerry DeFeo

Program: Mr. Defeo has dedicated himself to a crusade to see that all public schools in Garland give the opportunity to their students to recite and know the importance of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Americanisms: Compatriot James Duty spoke on the importance of Veterans Day.

Special: Compatriots Lewis and Bellomy attended the Veterans Day Parade at Fair Park. President Lewis announced that this years History Poster Contest theme is "George Washington as President." President announced that he has sent out 55 Eagle Scout Essay Contest application forms. Date: December 9, 1999

- Program: Annual Christmas Party was held at the home of Compatriot Ray and Virginia Burton. A dinner meal was participated in by all attending.
- Americanism: Compatriot Burton presented a video on the "Life of General George Washington."

Date: January 13, 2000

- Speaker: Compatriot P. J. Haughton of the SAR Chapter in Plano talked on "Myths and Truths about Minute Men."
- Americanisms: Compatriot James DeFord spoke on Daniel Draper and the part he played in the Battle of Kings Mountain.
- Special: President Lewis introduced Eagle Scout Stephen Wayne Adams, winner of our Chapters Eagle Scout Essay Contest. The topic of Eagle Scout Adams essay was "Revolutionary War Overview."

Date: February 10, 2000

Speaker: Compatriot William Bellomy

Program: Compatriot Bellomy showed an 18 minute video taken during his visit to the National Sons of the American Revolution headquarters in Louisville, Kentucky. It was a personal tour of our National Headquarters.

Americanism: Compatriot Duane Deese spoke on the virtues of General George Washington.

Special: Miss Katherine Murphy, GISD Student from Garland High School, read her winning entry in our Chapteie Georges. & Stella M.' Knight Essay Contest. A motion was made by Compatriot Burton and seconded to accept the new slate-of officers for the coming year. They were elected by unanimous vote. (See names below) Our members voted on the entries by Fifth Grade students in the Elementary School Poster Contest. President Delora Lewis will notify the students of their

- winnings.2001-2002 The new officers for the coming year are: President William Bellomy, Vice Pres.
- NEW OFFI-CERS Delora Lewis; Registrar Raymond Burton; Secretary/Treasurer Duane Deese and Chaplain James Duty.

President Lewis requested the members support our annual Garage Sale.

Dates-March 23, 2000

Speaker: Compatriot E. Graham Martin, former TXSSAR President.

Program: Compatriot Martin spoke about the hanging of two spies.

Nathan Hale and John Hondre. Martin also made some remarks about Gen. Washington's last days.

Americanism: Compatriot Bill Bellomy talked about the attraction of the SAR.

Specials: President Lewis reported on the TXSSAR Convention held in Abilene, Texas on the weekend of March 14-15th. Also at the State meeting, Garland ISD's 5th grade student attending Walnut Glen Academy won 2nd Place in the History Poster Contest at the State level. Garland won the Joe M. Hill plaque for 100% Membership renewal. He also announced that the State approved a \$4.00 increase in the Annual Dues to be due on December3lst. President Lewis presented to Compatriot Armstrong Notice of approval of a-supplemental ancestor application. Lewis announced the SAR Garage Sale is sceduled to April 14 & 15th. Compatriot Martin swore in the new officers to serve from April 1st to March 31st, 2001.

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- Refreshments: were served including a cake with a photographic image on top showing a picture of the Garland SAR members standing by the float they rode on in the Garland July 4th -(1999) parade.
- Treasurers Reports: Bank balance as of 3/31/2000 is \$568.84 includ-two outstanding student contest checks and \$14.95 for the July 4th parade float picture cake.

EAST FORK-TRINITY Chapter #47 for the Year 2000-2001

Dates April 13, 2000

Speakers: Sonia Brown, Consultant in Economics and Finance.

Program: Sonia Brown spoke on the Life and Times of Thomas Jefferson.

- Americanism: Compatriot Lewis read a poem about Branson Lewis who fought the devil panther in the stock yard.
- Specials President Bellomy proposed awarding Flag Certificates to Garland residents. He also proposed that the Garland SAR members purchase Revolutionary War hats to be worn on such occasions as the July 4th parade.

Date: May 11. 2000

Speakers: TXSSAR State President Richard Arnold

- Program: State President Martin spoke about the plans to design and build a National SAR Library in Louisville, KY.
- Americanism: Compatriot Deese presented a video which showed the military tactics used by the British troops when fighting during the American Revolution.
- Special: Compatriot E. Graham Martin paid the dual membership fee (9.00) to become a member of the Garland Chapter. He is also a member of the Dallas Chapter. Compatriot led a discussion on the possibility of our Garland Chapter marching in the July 4th Parade to be held in Garland starting at 7:00 PM on July 4th. He scheduled a planning meeting for June 5th at the Garland Library. At the planning meeting it was decided to have our members march in the parade. Compatriot Bellomy discussed his plans to organize an SAR Chapter in Scotsdale, Alabama and will check into the possibility of the Garland Chapter being the sponsor. A motion was made and seconded by Compatriot Burton that the Garland Chapter donate a book on Gen. George Washington to the Garland Library. It was announced that TXSSAR was considering holding the National Convention in Dallas.

Refreshments; were provided by Bill and Martha Bellomy.

DATE: June 8, 2000

Speaker: John Greer, TXSSAR District 11 Vice President.

- Program: Compatriot Greer spoke about Timothy Murphey, "Best Shot in the Revolutionary War." John Greer suggested that individual SAR Chapters should award flag certificates to local residents and/or businesses during the remainder of 2000. He announced that a Board of Managers Meeting will be held on August 12, 2000 in Plano.
- Americanism: Compatriot Ray Burton talked about the Korean War and it's impact on America.
- Special: Compatriot Ray Burton discussed our Chapters participation in the July 4th parade and the banner our Chapter will purchase to be carried in the parade. Each member is encourage to wear a Revolutionary War style tricornered hat.
- Refreshments: were provided by Debora & Christine Lewis.

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Date: July 13, 2000

Speaker: Charles Windham

- Program: Presented a display of 32 American and described the history of each flag from the American Revolutionary War' period to the present day (1603-2000).
- Americanism: Compatriot Duane Deese spoke about his ancestor Colonel Lemuel Barritt who solved the murder of a Mohawk indian.
- Special: Compatriot V/P Lewis substituted for the absent Pres. Bill Bellomy. Lewis thanked those Compatriots from Garland, Plano and Dallas who marched in Revolutionary War uniforms in Garland's July 4th parade. A total of eleven SAR members participated (5 from Garland and 6 from Plano/Dallas including State President Richard Arnold). Compatriot Martin reported that Dr. Baker, President of the Dallas Chapter, stated that his Chapter did not have a parade banner as does the East Fork-Trinity Chapter. Compatriot Burton said the DAR has a new form for ordering DAR ancestor applications. Compatriot Lewis commented that WWI began of July 28, 1914. It was announced that the October meeting will be held the third Thursday due to a conflict at the library which is holding a book sale in the meeting room. Refreshments were served following the meeting by Ray and Virginia Burton.

Date: August 10, 2000

Speaker: Compatriot Ben Armstrong

Program: Slide presentation of Williamsburg, Virginia.

Americanism: Compatriot Bill Bellomy described the original design of the Purple Heart.
Special: It was reported that Compatriot Collier of the Mesquite Chapter has proposed a joint meeting with the East Fork-Trinity Chapter. Details are pending. Announcement was made that there will be a DAR Brunch on September 16 at the Brookhaven Country Club. The Past State President of the DAR will be present. New member A. J. Bellomy was sworn in. Announcement was made that the theme for the year 2000 History Poster Contest will be "Ben Franklin". Compatriot Lewis discussed details of the TXSSAR Outstanding American History Teacher Program. Refreshments were served following adjournment. by Jimmie DeFord and wife.

Date: September 14, 2000

Speaker: Earl C. Bullock

Program: Spoke on the order of World Wars.

Americanism: Compatriot Lewis talked about the symbols found on the dollar bill.

Special: Bob Kragkevik was recognized. He is Ass't Director of the Genealogy Department of the Nicholson Memorial Library. Compatriot Burton made the following report on the Board of Managers meeting: a) Eagle Scout Award Program remains unchanged. b) All nominations of History teacher of the Year due in by Feb. 15th. c) Veterans using the Veterans Hospital should register at the Hospital by 8:00 AM on either Tues., Wed. or Thursday. d) State Convention to be held in New Braunfels. e) John Greer of Plano will present a ceremony at different grave sights. f) TXSSAR has developed new instructions for SAR applications. Motion was made and seconded to purchase a CD on patriots. Also a motion was made, seconded and approved to purchase 12 TXSSAR Chapter Service medal awards to be awarded at the discretion of the Chapter President. The membership approved the change of October meeting date to the 19th so as to not conflict with the libraries book sale. Refreshments were served following adjournment by bill and Martha Date: October 1.9, 2000

Speakers: Col. E. Graham Martin, Jr.

Programs: Attributes and highlights of the U.S. Navy on its 230th Anniversary. Americanism: Compatriot Lewis talked about the National Bank.

Special: Col. Martin reported he attended the Board of Managers meeting. Annual SAR dues will become due on December 31, 2000. The Annual SAR Chapter Reports will change to the calendar year. Refreshments were served following the adjournment by Delora and Christine Lewis.

Date: November 9, 2000

Speakers: Compatriot William Bellomy

- Program: Talked about his trip to Gate City, Virginia and recounting how-he represented the East Fork-Trinity Chapter in hosting SAR State Chapters from Alabama, Virginia and Tennessee in a grave marking ceremony for William Pace, one of General George Washington's body(life) guards. Compatriot Bellomy used slides of pictures taken at the grave marking ceremony as part of his presentation.
- Americanism: Compatriot Delora Lewis reviewed East Fork-Trinity's participation in such programs as the Eagle Scout Essay Program, High School student History Essay contest and the 5th Grade History Poster Contest. He also discussed the Children of the American Revolution (CAR) Organization.
- Specials: Board of Managers meeting and changes made was discussed. It was pointed out that the new due date for payment of annual dues by members has not yet taken effect. Change in due date for payment of membership dues will be phased in. Refreshments were served following the adjournment by Ben and Carol Armstrong.

Date: December 14, 2000

- Christmas Party: The East Fork-Trinity Chapter held its annual Christmas Party at the home of William and Martha Bellomy. Fourteen members and guests attended the party.
- Special: East Fork-Trinity compatriots present were each presented with a TXSSAR Chapter Service Medal by Chapter President William Bellomy. A meal and fun was enjoyed by all present.

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Date: January 11, 2001

Speaker: Fran Brown, Hispanic Boy Scout leader in West Garland.

Program: She spoke about her role as scout Master leading a troop of Hispanic youths having the mission of regaining control of their neighborhood from gang territory using her 42 scouts to paint over garrifettie and doing repair work for and putting smoke alarms in the homes of the elderly.

Americanism: Compatriot Delora Lewis spoke about Benjamin Franklin.

Special: Motion was made and seconded to place an East Fork-Trinity advertisement in the NSSAR magazine advertising our website costing \$12 for 2 lines four times a year. The cost was later increased by \$6 to 3 lines four times a year because our message required three lines to be complete.

President Bellomy appointed Compatriot Lewis to head the nominating committee to select a slate of Officers for 2001-2002. President Bellomy announced that 65 items were donated by attendees at our Chapter's Christmas Party for the VA Hospital. Compatriot Compatriot Burton reported that prospective members Michael Lewis and William Mcspedden have completed their application papers. Refreshments were provided by James and Crees DeFord.

Date: February 8, 2001

Speaker: Jane Power, Garland DAR

Program: Mrs. Power presented a video on the DAR Museum in Wash. D.C.

Americanism: Compatriot James DeFord spoke on the importance of being in the right place at the right timewith the right equipment. He used the exampleof the Indian maiden, Sacajewa and the beaver pelt provided to Lewis & Clark.

Special: Compatriot Debora Lewis presented the Nominating Committees report as follows for 2011-02 2001-2002: Pres. Bill Bellomy; V/P Debora Lewsi; Secy/Trea Duane Deese;

NEW Registrar Ray Burton; Chaplain James Duty. Motion was made by Debora Lewis

OFFICERS and seconded by Compatriot James DeFordand approved by a unanimous vote of the members present.

President Bellomy requested that the membership approve the addition of a third line to our advertisement in the NSSAR Magazine promoting our Chapters meetings and WEB Page. Motion was amde by Compatriot Lewis and seconded by Duane Deese to cover the increased cost from \$12.00 to \$18.00. Motion passed. Our Chapters meeting date will be changed to the third Thursday, March 15, to fall after the TXSSAR State Convention. A discussion was held on perspective merger. of our Chapter with the Mesquite Chapter as well as some proposed changes to the TXSSAR Constitution.

Refreshments were provided by Bill and Martha Bellomy.

Date: March 15, 2001.

Speaker: Compatriot Duane Deese

- Program: Compatriot Deese spoke on the Battle of Guilford Courthouse. Americanism: Compatriot Debora Lewis spoke about Capt. Walker Dawson, commander of the U.S. Destroyer, William D. Porter, which accidently fired a torpedo at the Battleship Iowa.
- Special: Col. E. Graham Martin, Jr. installed our new Chapter officers for the 2001/2002. The Mesquite Chapter has invited our Chapter members to their March 22nd meeting to hear Howard Charles, WWII marine captured by the Japanese Army and was forced to help build the bridge over the River Kwai. Compatriot Lewis announced that Walnut Glen Academy student, Kelsey Hicks, won second place at the TXSSAR State Convention

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winning a \$200 U.S. Savings Bond. Compatriot Graham Martin gave a report on actions taken at the TXSSAR State Convention regarding the Constitution and bi-Laws. He reported that the Board of Managers were not informed of this agenda item which was acted upon at the State Convention. Col. Martin also gave a history of the History Poster Contest. He also reported on the consolidation of certain State offices made at the Convention. The State Convention in 2002 wil be held in Tyler, Texas. President Bill Bellomy announced the awards won by our Chapter at the State Convention as follows: 1.) The Walter Sterling Award for Outstanding Chapter with 39 members or less and earning the title "Best Little Chapter in Texas". 2.) Received White Ribbon award for best newsletter. 3.) Received White Ribbon award for Flag Program. 4.) Received Frank R. Watkins plaque for contribution support of Patriots Fund. 5.) Chapter President Bellomy received the Good Citizenship Medal for Chapter Excellence, 6.) Received Galveston Chapter Award Plaque for support of Patriots Fund. Refreshments were provided by the Chapter to honor our newly installed officers for the 2001/2002 Year.

Date: April 12, 2001

Speaker: Sonia Armstrong Brown

- Program: Mrs. Brown spoke on Thomas Jefferson and his early years growing up in the Williamsburg area of Virginia.
- Americanism: Compatriot Ralph McDowell, TXSSAR District 6 Y/P talked about Benjamin Franklin who published "Poor Richards Almanac".
- Special: The following guests were recognized: TXSSAR Past State President Richard Arnold, Ralph McDowell, Dist. 6 V/P, Mesquite Chapter President, Paul Fisk and Bill Raley, Head Librarian of the South Garland Branch of the Memorial Library System where the SAR meeting was held. Mr. Raley welcomed our East Fork-Trinity Chapter to return for future meetings. Compatriot Ray Burton presented the Eagle Scout medal to Essay Contest winner, Andrew Mach, who read his essay entitled, "The fate of the Signatories of the Declaration of Independence". Compatriot Col. E. Graham Martin, Jr. was given special recognition for his service to SAR by TXSSAR Past State President Richard Arnold during his remarks to the East Fork-Trinity members present. Compatriot Delora Lewis announced the winners of the Fifth Grade History Poster Contest as follows: 1st Place-Kelsey Hicks of Walnut Glen Academy; 2nd Place-Snad Abnghazalek of Toler Elementary School and 3rd Place-Justin Romlyn of Dorsey Elementary School, Student Kelsey Hicks won second place with his history poster at the TXSSAR State Convention receiving \$200 Savings Bond. East Fork-Trinity Chapter President Bill Bellomy displayed at the meeting all the Awards and Plaques won by our Chapter at the TXSSAR State Convention in March, 2001. President Bellomy pointed out the special designation given to our Chapter as, "The Best Little Chapter in Texas", with a membership of 39 members or less. Also, at the State Convention Compatriot Bill Bellomy and his wife, Martha were awarded the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal which was presented to them by 2000 TXSSAR President Dick Arnold. Refreshments were provided following the meeting by Delora and Christine Lewis.



NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday June 14, 2001

The meeting will be held at the South Garland Branch Library (4845 Broadway at Oates) starting at 7:00 p.m. Speaker: Wally Shipley will be demonstrating muzzle loading guns as used during the Revolutionary War.

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MAY 10, 2001 MINUTES:

Speaker was Compatriot Benjamin Armstrong talking about Benedict Arnold and the Battle of Quebec. Americanism talk given by Compatriot Delora Lewis about Memorial Day. **REPORTS:** A report on the perspective merger of the East Fork-Trinity and Mesquite Chapters was given by Compatriot Colonel and former TXSSAR President E. Graham Martin, Jr. Following his contact with TXSSAR President Nathan White and Chancellor Madison Wright; we are waiting for an official reply.

Compatriot LTC Claude R. Burton read a thank you note from Eagle Scout award winner. Andrew Mach. Compatriot Delora Lewis made note of approximately 30 handcrafted Revolutionary War puppets on display at the Nicholson Memorial Library made by students in teacher Kelly Smith's fifth grade class at Walnut Glen Academy. Our Chapter sponsored the placing of 57 flags on graves at the Owlet Green Cemetery near Van, Texas. Treasurer Duane Deese reported receiving a refund of \$80.61 from the Kroger Share Card Program.





NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday July 12, 2001

The meeting will be held at the Downtown Nicholson Memorial Library (625 Austin Street) starting at 7:00 p.m. The Speaker will be Clayton David Strand talking on the topic "Life and Presidency of James Madison." Americanism talk to be announced!

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The June meeting of the EAST FORK-TRINITY CHAPTER was held at the South Garland Branch Library. TXSSAR State President Nathan E. White Jr. made an official visit. Other guests present at the meeting were James G. Robertson, State Vice President Elect; Ralph L. McDowell, District 6 V/P; Robert Coker, past State President; as well as Mesquite Chapter officers President Paul J. Fisk and Secretary Billy Joe Denton. State President White spoke of the importance of strong S.A.R. Chapters being one of the best ways to protect and preserve our nation's history. He stressed the importance of building strong chapters by conducting active drop out retention programs and new member recruitment. Also, at the June meeting, President White awarded the Law Enforcement Medal to East Fork-Trinity compatriot Benjamin F. Armstrong who has performed outstanding law enforcement service with both the Dallas and the Plano Police Departments. In addition to the State President's visit, our Chapter had an additional speaker, Wally Shipley, who demonstrated actual muzzle loading guns of the type used during the Revolutionary War period. Refreshments were served following the meeting.



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