

Ellis County Chapter 70 of Texas SAR Monthly Meeting Minutes February 22, 2025

Meeting called to order at 9:30 by President David Hill

Invocation was offered by Michael Goode Texas SAR Chaplain

After ceremonial pledges to the American, Texas, and SAR Flags, the attendees recited the SAR Mission Statement.

Due to a scheduling conflict Compatriot Bill Watts was unavailable to make a presentation at today's meeting and was rescheduled for the April 26 meeting. President David Hill introduced Ronald Finch, who presented a program, "Down but not out" The story about Battle Tried, Wounded, and Disabled Revolutionary Soldiers that continued to support the cause in any way possible.

Several applicants attended today's meeting. Calvin Brown, Larry Williams, Brent Rutan, and Harlon Bounds brought his brother Mark Bounds (a first-time attendee). WELCOME, GENTLEMEN!

Reading of the January 2025 minutes was called. Secretary Jack Haughton requested the minutes be approved as published, it was seconded by Ron Finch, and approved by the membership attending.

New Treasurer Jim Cooper was called for Monthly Report. He announced that the chapter had received a donation from the Waxahachie Council in the amount of \$6,000 for the planned Wreaths Across America program. Cooper also reported there is over \$500 in the bank account, all bills were paid, and the chapter had no outstanding debts.

Chapter President David Hill paused the meeting agenda to make two special presentations to members.

First, he gave Larry Kollie a copy of the C10 Truck magazine where Larry was pictured in the 2-page center fold posing with a young lady on each arm and looking very patriotic.

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Next, President Hill recognized Jack Haughton with an SAR Chapter Past President pin and certificate, thanking him for his service in the past term of office.

The Regent of the Rebecca Boyce Chapter DAR, Patricia Hernandez, was introduced. She extended an invitation to our chapter to join with them in support of the DAR “America 250 Project”. The DAR has started the *America250 Book Collection* to gather NEW books about the American Revolution and Constitution for underserved children in K-6th grades. The members agreed to participate and bring a book or two or five to our March meeting. Attached is a list of appropriate books available for purchase on Amazon. When you place your order through Amazon, have them delivered to: Jack Haughton at 880 Garden Valley Pkwy, Apartment 1145, Waxahachie, Tx 75165

There followed a series of brief reports by new committee chairmen:

Color Guard – Larry Kollie talked about plans for 4th July Parade.

First Responder Committee – David Hill reported about plans to present Law Medal posthumously to Officer Bias of the Sheriff’s Office.

JROTC Committee – Michael Tull announced that a Red Oak JROTC Cadet is an entrant in the Texas SAR Outstanding JROTC Cadet competition sponsored by ECC.

Newsletter Editor Philip Taylor spoke about how to contribute to the newsletter, especially articles about our ancestors. Also how to collect data for Annual SAR Americanism Report.

Benediction was offered by State Chaplain Michael Goode

President Hill led the reciting of the Recessional and Adjourned the meeting.

The next Chapter Meeting will be held on **March 22, 2025**

At the Hamilton, at 9:30 am
880 Garden Valley Parkway
Waxahachie, Texas 75165

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