

## Sons of the American Revolution



### McKinney Chapter #63, TXSSAR

June 21, 2018 – Minutes of Chapter Meeting

Our meeting was a pot-luck meal held at the McKinney White House A.K.A. President & Mrs. White's residence; 414 Redhead Ct., McKinney, TX.

#### **Attendees:**

Nathan White, Wanda White, Clayton Tangen, Debbi Tangen, Chris Casey, Duane Bryner, James Johnson, Jr., (Guest Speaker) Carl Oehmann, Katherine Oehmann, Mark McCraw, Luis Juarez, Lenora Juarez, Ken Davis, Jason Fowler, Barkley Miller, Glenda Miller, David Kinsey, Rex Witcher, Weldon Copeland, Carol Milson, Tom Milson, Emily Graybeal, Gary Graybeal, Peter McLellan

#### **Invocation:**

Given by President White at 6:25 for the pot-luck meal to begin. President & Wanda White provided the main course and refreshments.

#### **Call to Order:**

After our dinner, the meeting was called to order by President Judge Nathan White at 7:30pm.

#### **Pledges:**

President Judge White led the meeting with the pledges to the American Flag, the Texas Flag, and the SAR Flag.

#### **Introductions:**

President White pointed out the Chapter and TXSSAR "Member" websites. Please check them out if you haven't already. Introductions were made of members, prospective members, and guest. During this time, President White discussed the status of prospective members' applications.

#### **Old Business and Announcements:**

On June 12<sup>th</sup>, the Chapter presented the Bronze Heroism Award to Fire Fighter Andrew Needham at the Celina City Council Meeting for his efforts on the Southwest flight over Pennsylvania.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Peter McLellan, Treasurer, gave the Treasurer's report. As of today's date, the Chapter has a cash balance of \$2,035.62.

#### **Events:**

The Chapter's next meeting is July 21<sup>st</sup> at \*AM located at Market Street Event Center, Eldorado and Ridge in McKinney, TX, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, NE Corner.

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The Chapter has a trip scheduled to the Bonham VA on June 26, 2018 to help serve a meal to our veterans. Plan to be there at 9AM to help set-up.

The NSSAR Congress will be held July 11-18, 2018 in Houston, TX. President White, Secretary Kinsey, John Greer, and Dr. Jim Johnson, Jr. are scheduled to attend.

There will be a SAR Memorial Service in Corsicana, on Saturday, August 11, 2018 at 1:30PM.

TXSSAR Districts 9 & 11 will hold a joint District meeting in Garland on Saturday, August 18, 2018. If you think you may want to be an officer, this may be a good meeting to attend.

**Guest Speaker:**

Tonight's meeting Guest Speaker was Dr. James Johnson, Jr. Dr. Johnson is a former Art and Art Education professor in Denton, TX. Dr. Johnson's topic was Hoaxes, Scams, and Charlatans. Dr. Johnson presented himself as Count Alessandro Cagliostro and told his stories from the Count's perspective. The Count's stories ranged from George Psalmanazar's Formosa hoax, Dr. Berringer Mysterious Stones, Mary Toth giving birth to rabbit babies, Polly Baker being charged with indecencies with men to bring about the exposure why women were charged and not men; 30 years later we learn the story was reported by Ben Franklin. The Count discuss his involvement with the scam of "The Affair of the Necklace", then Dr. Gall's phrenology. During the stories, Ben Franklin was connected to no less than 3; by being a reporter, sitting on a review panel, and being beaten at chess by a "machine".

After his presentation, Dr. Johnson responded to questions from the floor. President White presented Dr. Johnson with payment of dual member dues.

After our Speaker, President White discussed a property in west Texas that the TXSSAR will raffle to raise money for the Patriot Fund. This property was raffled in the past, and tickets will be sold at the NSSAR Congress in July.

President White also discussed the wide variety of speakers we have had the privilege to hear on topics covering occupations, history, and medicine.

**Benediction:**

Treasurer Peter McLellan gave the benediction.

**Recessional:**

David Kinsey led the attendees in the recessional.

**Adjournment:**

President Judge White adjourned the meeting at 8:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David Kinsey, Secretary