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Texas Society, McKinney  
Chapter*



**February 17, 2022**

**Meeting held at Spring Creek BBQ McKinney and via Zoom® teleconference**

**Attendees**

There were (36 total) 31 SAR members and guests in attendance at Spring Creek Barbeque. Attendees included: Tom Milson & wife Carol Milson, Ned Hoover, Mat Hoover, Blas Uribe, Mark McCraw, Nathan White and wife Wanda White, Peter McLellan, Ray Hargis, T.L. Holden, Tom Van Fossen, Ted Wilson, Jim Akers, Bill Taylor, Gary Townsend and wife Courtney, Donald Babbs, Mark Harrison, Bill Hurst and wife Ruthann Hurst, Weldon Copeland, Cary Barnett, New member Rich Bonaparte and wife Lynn.

There were 5 participants in attendance by Zoom® for this meeting. Attendees included: Tom Whitelock, Ralph Thompson, David Kinsey State SAR treasurer, John Greer and George Bradford through Zoom.

Guests include: guest speaker Dorcas Helms, award recipient Michelle Stein along with 3 family members, and Jim Waterman prospective member

**Call to Order**

Tom Milson, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

**Invocation**

- Don Babbs, gave the invocation.

**Pledges**

- Nathan White, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

- Tom Milson, led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

- Blas Uribe, led the Pledge of the SAR.

**Self-Introductions of Members and Guests**

Led by Tom Milson



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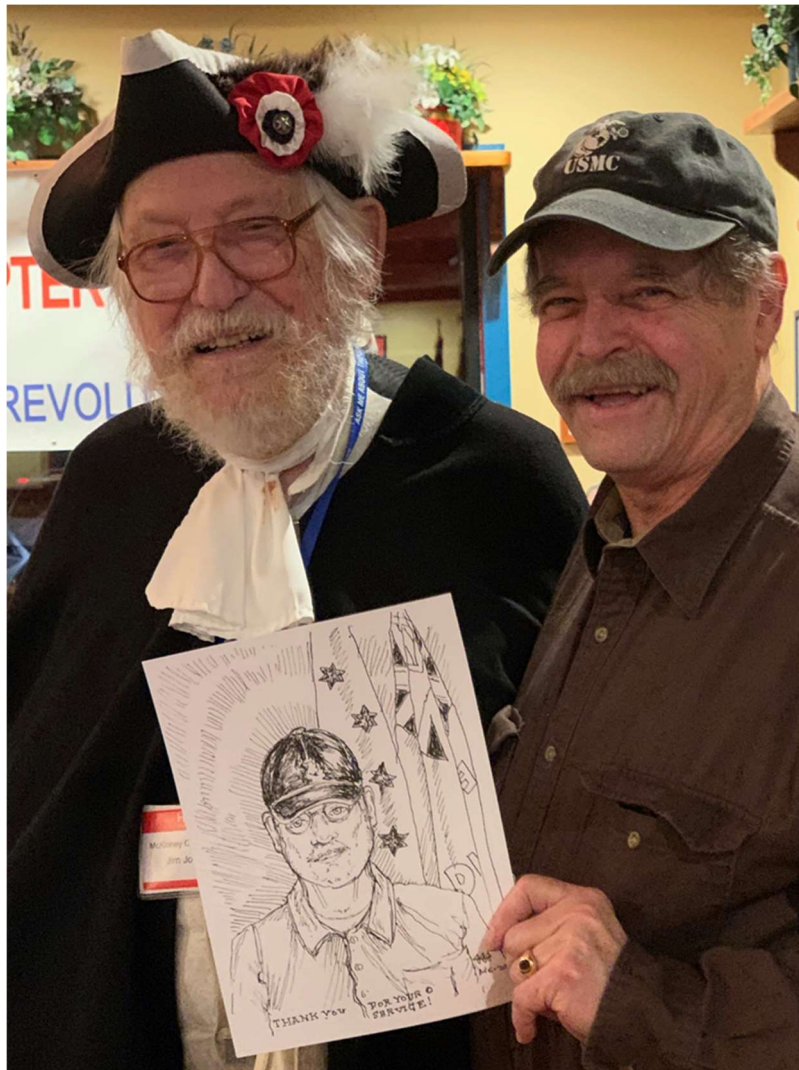


**Old Business and Announcements**

- Donald Babbs, Chapter Chaplin, as part of his earlier invocation referenced the recent passing of two McKinney SAR Chapter compatriots. James J Johnson Jr., and James Shaw.

**In Memory of James J Johnson Jr., whose passing was on  
January 19, 2022**

A picture of James Johnson on the left, taken in 2020 at a McKinney Chapter meeting as he presented our program speaker with one of his "Quick Sketches" that he was famous for.





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**In Memory of James Shaw, who passed on February 8, 2022.  
He was 93 years old.**





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Below: Color Guard at the services for James Shaw



- Future Meetings and Events

- Next Meeting March 17, 7 PM (In-person and Zoom) at Spring Creek BBQ McKinney.
- State Conference in Richardson March 31 – April 2, Hilton Hotel (approx. \$40 to register)
- March 1, Vietnam Veterans recognition service in Greenville, NT Color Guard will be there to support event, 12 PM Audie Murphy/American Cotton Museum
- Mar 2-5 Spring 2022 Leadership. Louisville, KY



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### New Member Induction Ceremony

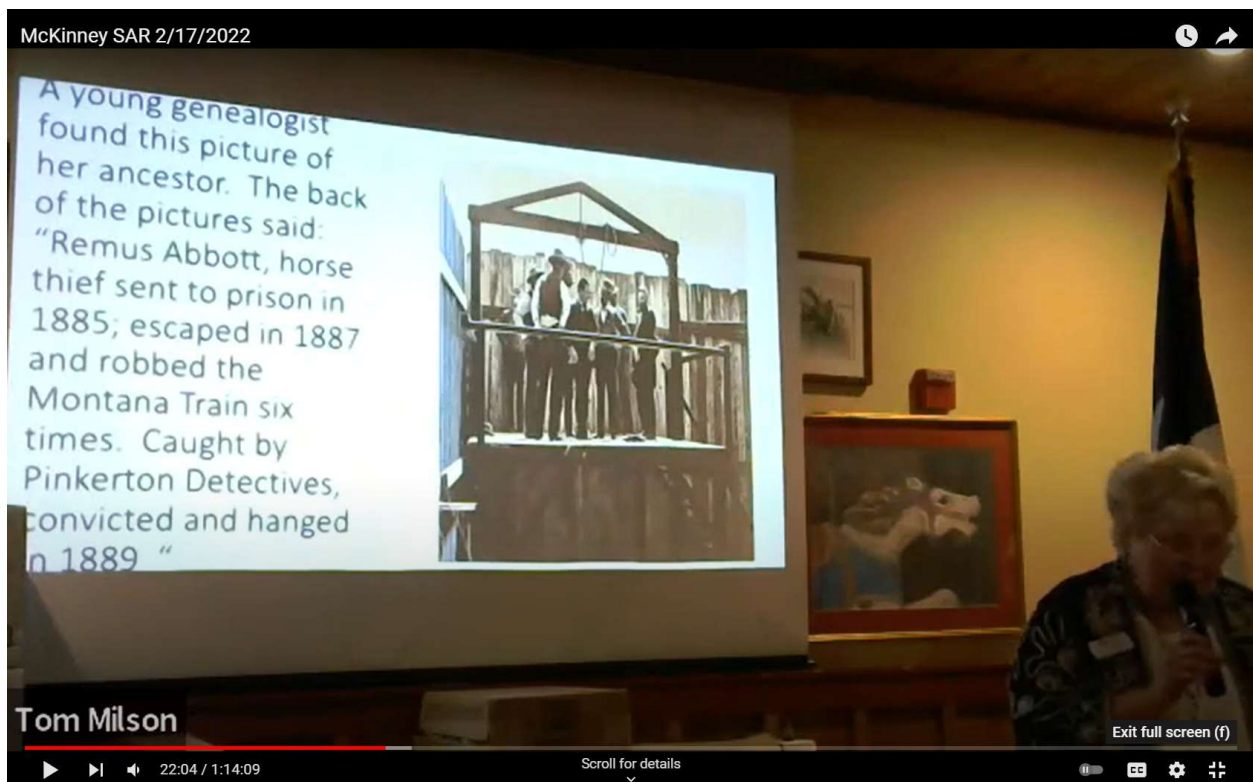
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### Program

- Dorcas Helms – DAR member.

32 minute presentation primarily about Aaron Burr and subtopic Alexander Hamilton, followed by short question and answer session.

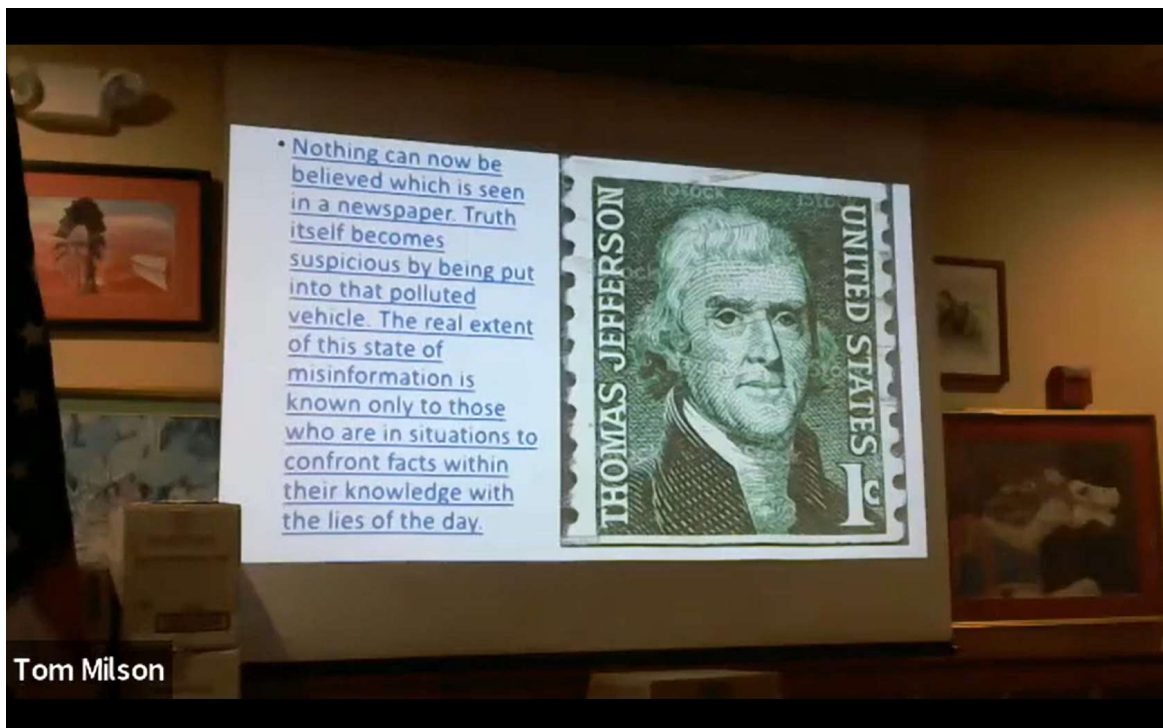
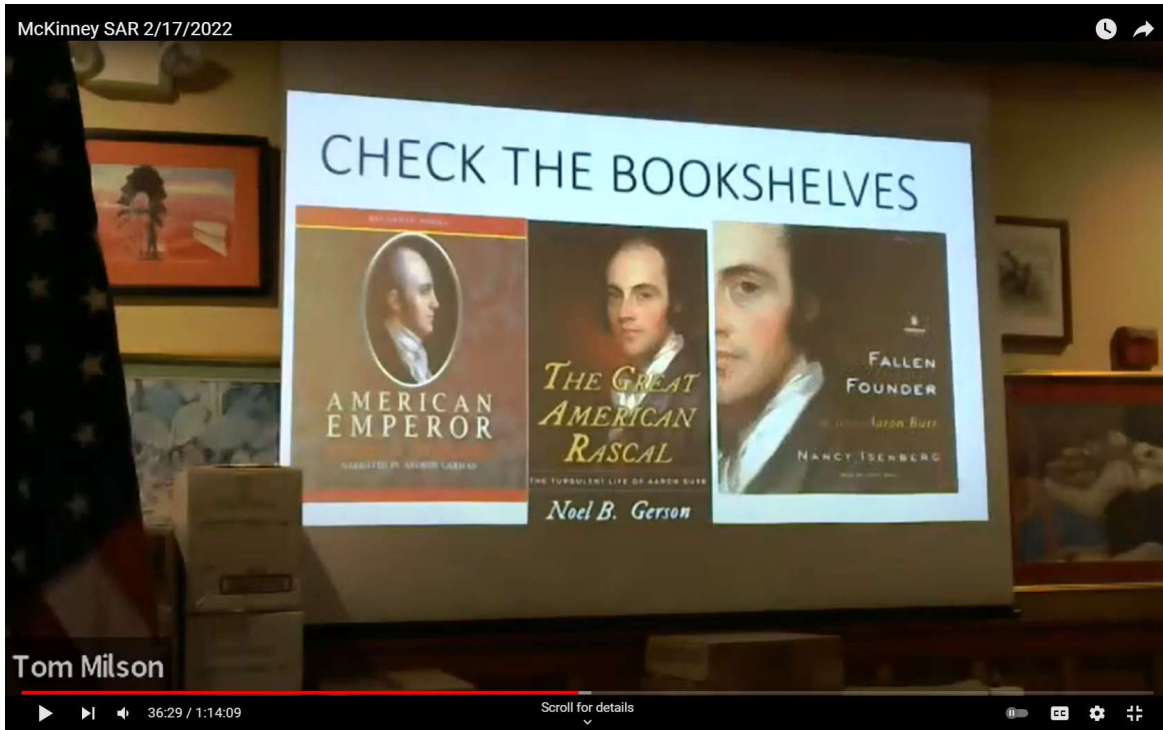
Mark McCraw, VP Programs introduced and presented Dorcas with a Certificate of Appreciation and thanked her.







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### Awards

- Tom Milson introduced Michelle Stein a McKinney ISD teacher. As part of the Youth Award Program- Teacher Essay category, her essay entitled The American Revolution, Literally and Figuratively, is the McKinney SAR Chapter level winner. Her essay has gone forward for consideration for the award at the TX State SAR level. Tom Milson presented Michelle with a certificate and a check for \$150 from the McKinney SAR chapter.





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### **New Business**

- Minutes from last meeting have been published on the website by David Kinsey. Pete McLellan made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, motion seconded by Nathan White, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.

- Treasurer's Report: Ralph Thompson, Treasurer read report, "2/17/22, The balance as of December's report was \$4805.85. The current balance in the account is \$4955.85 with an un-cleared check to Wreaths Across America of \$150.00. Two awards checks totaling \$250 will bring the check register balance is \$4555.85."

Pete McLellan made a motion to accept the Treasures report, motion seconded by Weldon Copeland, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.

### **Other Announcements**

- Ted Wilson has been reviewing the American Revolutionary patriots in Texas and has found at least 10 graves that have a stone but are not marked. The Edmund Terrell Chapter will be working on marking these graves. Ted invited the McKinney Chapter to help with the effort to research and locate these graves. Many graves are in East Texas and other SAR chapters will be asked to help mark the graves.

- Nathan White introduced a prospective SAR member Jim Waterman, a fraternity brother from SMU but from a different generation.

- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:

- Tom Van Fossen encouraged attendance at the State Convention

**Benediction:** Don Babbs gave the benediction.

**Recessional:** Lead by Tom Milson

**Adjournment:** President Tom Milson adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary