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Texas Society, McKinney  
Chapter*

**November 17, 2022**

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

**Attendees**

There were (23 total) 21 SAR members and guests in attendance at Spring Creek Barbeque. Attendees included: Tom Milson, Blas Uribe, Ted Wilson, TL Holden, Tom Van Fossen, Bill Watts, John Greer, Peter Ford, Rich Bonaparte and wife Lynn, Joe Chenoweth, Andy Milson, Ray Hargis, Mark McCraw, Cary Barnett, George Bradford and wife Joy, Bill Taylor and wife Carol, Tom Foster.

There were 2 participants in attendance by Zoom® for this meeting. Attendees included: Bill Hurst, Don Babbs, through Zoom.

Guests include: Guest speaker Joe Jaynes

**Call to Order**

Tom Milson, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

**Invocation**

- Don Babbs, gave the invocation.

**Pledges**

- Tom Milson, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

- Peter Ford, 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**

- Tom Milson – Please pay dues, Invoices have been sent out. Can easily pay online through State Website.

- Tom Milson – Wreaths across America: Tom has spoken with the representative of the Cemetery Association in Melissa who we dealt with last year, there is about 100 veterans buried there. We have about 20 – 30 wreaths that will carry over from last year. The McKinney SAR Chapter will not be taking any profit, instead the program we signed up for will provide extra wreaths, so it is 2 for \$15 plus the extra wreath, so really we are getting 3 wreaths for \$15. Tom will send directions to event to participate.

- Tom Milson – We received a Commendation from Nationals for Partners in Patriotism and Wreaths Across America

- Tom Milson – read report from Bob Johns, Plano Chapter – Bob coordinates with John Greer, Veteran Affairs of McKinney Chapter, on working with the Bonham VA. Bob is working with 5 local SAR chapters on getting gifts for the Bonham VA veterans for Christmas. Bob's report indicates he is working with a budget of about \$1100. Tom also states in the McKinney Chapter SAR Executive Committee they allocated \$250 towards this project.

- John Greer – Veteran Affairs of McKinney Chapter, advised the chapter gets credit for activities we do for the Bonham VA, such as, points for each Christmas card given, going to funerals, Wreaths across America, hours volunteered, etc. At end of years the VA associates a dollar amount to those activities.

- Future Meetings and Events

- Next Meeting – Christmas Party December 15, 6 PM at Nathan and Wanda White's house, McKinney. This will be potluck and Tom will send out an email to sign up. We will have a short meeting at the party.
- December 17, 11 AM, Wreaths Across America, placing wreaths at cemetery in Melissa



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**New Member Induction Ceremony**

None



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**Program**

- Program – "Hamilton vs. Jefferson", by Joe Jaynes: Bio: A teacher at Collin College, former County Commissioner

Mark McCraw, VP Programs introduced the Guest Speaker.

Following the presentation, Mark McCraw thanked the speaker and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation.





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**Awards**

- Tom Milson - Presented Certificates of Appreciation to people who volunteered to help at the recent Board of Managers meeting. Peter McLellan, Bob Millwee, Cary Barnett, Peter Ford, Blas Uribe, Bill Watts, TL Holden, Andy Milson, Tom Van Fossen, Ted Wilson.

- Tom Milson - Also Peter Ford was recognized for his extra efforts put in for the assistance with the BOM meeting, including administrative and coordination to put on the event, and Peter was presented with a Texas Society SAR Bronze Service Medal.







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**New Business**

- Minutes from last meeting have been published on the website. Bill Watts made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, motion seconded by Peter Ford, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.

- Treasurer's Report: submitted and read by Peter Ford, Treasurer, "Treasurer's Report for November 17, 2022, The bank balance as of the October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting was \$6664.44. Since that time, we have received \$40.00 from two dual chapter membership dues. The bank balance is currently at \$6704.44." As per the previous meeting minutes, we are no longer voting to accept the treasurer's report on a monthly basis, keeping consistent with the process of other State SAR chapters. Peter asked if there was any questions or discussion. Tom Milson, advised that he believes the McKinney Chapter SAR made around \$1500 as a result of the silent auctions at the Board of Managers meeting and we expect to receive that from the state soon. Peter also recognized Tom Milson for his hard work and efforts towards planning the BOM event.

- Tom Milson - Presented list of Proposed Slate of Officers for 2023. Tom opened the floor for nominations. No additional names were offered. Motion to accept list of Proposed Slate of Officers for 2023 was made by Tom Van Fossen, second by Joe Chenoweth. No discussion, motion approved by voice vote. We expect to vote on the candidates at the Christmas party and hope to have officer induction at the January meeting. Tom has asked the State President to possibly attend to administer the induction and oath of officers at the January meeting. List is as follows:

President	Mark McCraw
VP Membership	Nathan White
VP Programs	Tom Milson
VP Awards	Andrew Milson
Secretary	Blas Uribe
Treasurer	Peter Ford
Registrar	Richard Bonaparte
Sergeant at Arms/CAR Liason	Peter McLellan
Chaplain	Don Babbs
Webmaster	Cary Barnett



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Color Guard Commander                      Bob Millwee

Veterans Affairs                      John Greer

Genealogist                      Ned Hoover

**Other Announcements**

- Andy Milson, VP Awards, gave a briefing of his recent efforts. He contacted multiple school districts and home school organizations, some private schools and has had limited response, but did receive a reply from the Frisco School district with some teacher nominations and Andy has sent emails with awards entry information to the appropriate parties.

- Bill Watts, stated there is another Patriot grave marking tentatively planned for March 25, 2023 in Lebanon Texas. This process has taken 6 years.

- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:

- None

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

**Recessional:** Lead by Tom Milson

**Adjournment:** President Tom Milson adjourned the meeting at 8:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary