



*Sons of The American
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Texas Society, McKinney
Chapter*

August 15, 2024

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

Attendees

There were (34 total) 32 SAR members and guests in attendance at Spring Creek Barbeque. Attendees included: Tom Milson, Blas Uribe, Mark McCraw, Bill Taylor and wife Carol, George Bradford and Joy Bradford, Paul Andreasen, Peter Ford, Nathan White and wife Wanda, Ted Wilson, Tom Van Fossen, Kevin Ennis, John Greer, Joe Chenoweth, Jim Akers and Sandee Akers, Rich Bonaparte and wife Lynn, Larry Moore, Bill Hurst and wife Ruth Ann, Jerry Lucas, Justin Day, Matt Hoover, Ned Hoover, Cary Barnett, Peter McLellan.

There were 2 participants in attendance by Zoom® for this meeting. Attendees included: Al Lisi, and Tom Foster.

Guests include: Guest Speaker John Anderson Texas SAR Historian, of the Arlington SAR Chapter and wife Meg,



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Call to Order

Mark McCraw, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Invocation

- Paul Andreasen, Chapter Chaplain, gave the invocation.

Pledges

- Mark McCraw, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.



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- Peter Ford, led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.
- Blas Uribe, led the Pledge of the SAR.
- Bill Taylor, led the Mission Statement of the SAR. "The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, educating and inspiring future generations, about the founding principles of our Country."

Self-Introductions of Members and Guests

Led by Mark McCraw

Old Business and Announcements

- John Anderson, Texas SAR Historian and Guest speaker – showed a video of the recent 134th National Congress in Lancaster, PA
- Nathan White – discussed several things about the recent SAR annual National Congress. Texas has but in a bid for several years in a row to host the National SAR Congress in San Antonio. Texas was well represented at Congress, Two Texans received the Minuteman Award which is the highest award given by the National SAR for National Service. Only 6 awards are given annually.
- Future Meetings and Events
 - Next Meeting – September 19, 2024 7 PM (In person and by Zoom).
 - September 12 – October 20, Recruitment for SAR membership at Jane Douglas House, Tx State Fair of Texas, contact [Bill Watts@att.net](mailto:Bill.Watts@att.net) for more details.
 - October 12, 10 AM – Meeting with John Abston DAR, 1st Methodist Church, 315 Church St McKinney TX
 - November 1-3 – Fall Board of Managers (BOM) Meeting, Holiday Inn downtown Austin
 - November 9 - Color Guard National Event – Field of Honor Event at Red Tail Pavilion at Oak Point Park, Plano Tx, 2800 E Spring Creek Pkwy. Contact [Bill Watts@att.net](mailto:Bill.Watts@att.net) for more details.
 - November 16 Color Guard National Event – Veterans Day Event at Red Tail Pavilion at Oak Point Park, Plano Tx, 2800 E Spring Creek Pkwy. Contact [Bill Watts@att.net](mailto:Bill.Watts@att.net) for more details.



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New Member Induction Ceremony

- None

Program

- Program – John Anderson, Texas SAR Historian, discussion: The current “Archives/History/Yearbook Committee Activities”.

Takeaways: U of North Texas will no longer be able to manage the archives of future SAR documents. Cost for staffing and resources were given by UNT as a factor in discontinuing the program. The Texas SAR spends \$5000 a year to UNT for these services. Two SAR individuals with archive experience have come forward to develop an internal archives system in a digital format which will not cost anything.

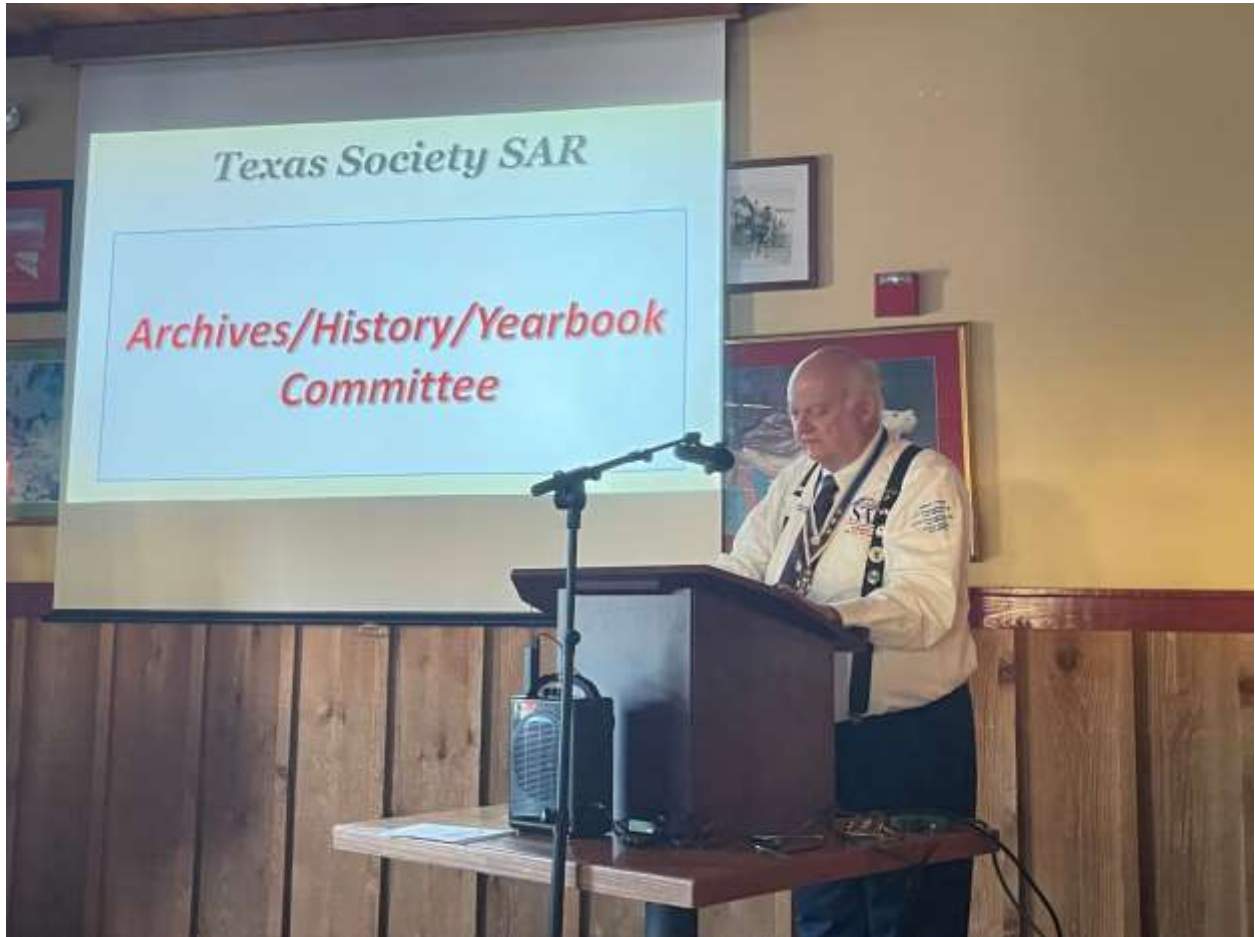
As Texas SAR historian, John Anderson has been granted authority to recognize individuals who have made contributions to the preservation of the Texas SAR. John has created the Texas Society SAR Historian Honor Award and would like to recognize several people at this meeting to present them with the award.

John presented the Texas Society SAR Historian Honor Award to: Tom Milson, Blas Uribe, Cary Barnett, and Ted Wilson.

Tom Milson introduced the Guest Speaker. The program was a 30 minute presentation, followed by a short question and answer session. Tom Milson presented him with a certificate of appreciation.



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Texas Society SAR Historian Honor Award recipients

Awards

- None, other than presented during the Program listed above

New Business



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- Minutes from the last meeting have been published on the website. Tom Milson made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, motion seconded by Tom Van Fossen, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.

- Treasurer's Report: submitted and by Peter Ford, Treasurer. "Treasurer's Report for August 15, 2024. The Chapter's funds at our July meeting were \$955.35.

This month's expenses:

- \$117.84 for Registrar memberships to ancestry.com and newspapers.com

This month's income:

- \$46.5 from the Texas State SAR for membership dues to the Chapter

Our Chapter's funds are: \$884.01

Our certificate of deposit contains: \$5117.81. This will mature on September 26th. It is currently earning 4% interest." No further questions or comments.

Other Announcements

- Tom Milson – Mentioned about compiling and submitting information by individuals regarding their patriot ancestor and submitting it to Nationals to be documented in some manner. Contact Tom Milson for details.

- John Greer – John mentioned about volunteering at the State Fair at the DAR House for new member recruiting for the SAR. Also he stated Vietnam War lapel pins will be given out to individuals who served in the war at the State Fair.

- Peter McLellan, Chapter CAR liaison – Peter will attending the CAR Matthew Bolton chapter meeting this Saturday, celebrating the 2th anniversary of the CAR Chapter. Also next month the CAR chapter will be involved with a service project to assist with under privileged individuals.

- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:

- None

Benediction: Paul Andreason gave the benediction



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Recessional: Lead by Mark McCraw

Adjournment: President Mark McCraw adjourned the meeting at 8:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary

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