



December 5, 2024

Meeting and Christmas Party held at the

Heard-Craig Center Carriage House

Attendees

There were (19 total) 11 SAR members and guests in attendance at the Heard-Craig Center Carriage House in downtown McKinney.

Attendees included: Tom Milson and wife Carol, Mark McCraw, Peter McLellan and wife Dagni, Bill Taylor, Cary Barnett and wife Renae, Peter Ford and wife Maria, Paul Andreasen and wife Marcella, Mat Hoover and wife Suzette, Ned Hoover and wife Nina, Bill Graham and wife Johana, Tracy Pounders.

We did not Zoom® for this meeting.

Prior to the meeting we all enjoyed a Pot Luck Dinner with the ham donated by George and Joy Bradford.









Prior to the start of the meeting, all signed Christmas Cards for veterans at the Bonham VA facility.



Call to Order

Mark McCraw, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm.





Invocation

- Prior to the meal, Paul Andreasen, Chaplin, gave the invocation.

Pledges

- Mark McCraw led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- Peter Ford led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.
- Paul Andreasen 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

Program

- Program – Our program as on the Heard-Craig Center for the Arts, presented by Dr. Karen Zupanic, Director.

The program was a 15-minute presentation, followed by a short question and answer session. Tom Milson presented her with a certificate of appreciation.







New Member Induction Ceremony

- None

Awards

- None

Old Business and Announcements

- Future Meetings and Events
 - December 14th, Wreaths Across America at Stony Point Cemetery in Anna, Texas.
 - January 16th Chapter Meeting at Spring Creek BBQ.
 - March 27-29th 130th State Convention at Richardson Hilton, Richardson, Texas
- Peter McLellan presented the 2025 Slate of Officers:





President Paul Andreasen

VP Membership Bill Taylor **VP Programs** Tom Milson **VP** Awards Mark McCraw Secretary Blas Uribe Treasurer Peter Ford

Registrar Richard Bonaparte

Sergeant at Arms/CAR Liaison Peter McLellan Chaplain Paul Andreasen Webmaster/Newsletter Cary Barnett

Color Guard Commander Bob Millwee Al Lisi

Veterans Affairs Chairman

The Slate of Officers was approved by a unanimous vote of the members.

New Business

- Minutes from the last meeting have been published on the website. Peter McLellan made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, motion seconded by Bill Taylor, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.
- Treasurer's Report: submitted by Peter Ford, Treasurer. Treasurer's Report for December 5th, 2024. The Chapter's funds at our November meeting were: \$919.49.

Our expenses for the month were:

- \$250 donation to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation.
- \$27.05 payment for the monthly ancestry.com subscription for our Chapter Registrar..

The Chapter's available funds are: \$642.44

Our CD has a balance of \$5,236.95. This matures on April 26th, 2025, unless funds are required sooner.

No further questions or comments.

Additional Discussion

- Mark McCraw presented a summary of the "McKinney Chapter 2024 Year in Review" report compiled by Tom Milson.
- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:





None

Benediction: Paul Andreasen gave the benediction

Recessional: Lead by Mark McCraw

Adjournment: President Mark McCraw adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Milson for Blas Uribe, Secretary

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