



*Sons of The American
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Texas Society, McKinney
Chapter*

February 20, 2025

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

Attendees

There were (21 total) 19 SAR members and guests in attendance at Spring Creek Barbeque. Attendees included: Tom Milson and wife Carol, Blas Uribe, Mark McCraw, Paul Andreasen, Nathan White and wife Wanda, Peter McLellan, Richard Bonaparte and wife Lynn, Bill Taylor and wife Carol, Jerry Lucas, prospective applicant Stewart Younger and sons Zack and Will, William Graham, California SAR transfer Gary Bohannon, and Bill Watts.

There were 2 participants in attendance by Zoom® for this meeting. Attendees included: Al Lisi and David Kinsey.

Guests include: Guests as stated above



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Call to Order

- Paul Andreason, Chapter President/Chaplain, called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Invocation

- Paul Andreasen, Chapter Chaplain/President, gave the invocation.

Pledges

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

- Paul Andreasen, led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.



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- Paul Andreason, 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 Paul Andreason

Old Business and Announcements

- Future Meetings and Events

- Next Meeting – March 20, 2025 7 PM (In person and by Zoom).
- March 27-30 – 130th State Convention, Hilton Richardson, Texas
- February 22, 2025 – George Washington Parade, Laredo Tx – 8:30 AM

New Member Induction Ceremony

- None

Program

- Program – This month our program is: "Young People at War" by Bill Watts, McKinney Chapter SAR"

Tom Milson, VP Programs, introduced the Guest Speaker. The program was a 24 minute presentation, followed by a short question and answer session. Tom Milson thanked Bill Watts.



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Awards

- Mark McCraw, VP Awards – Mark gave an overview of some of the youth awards recently awarded. Tom Milson and Bill Watts recently attended Cornerstone Christian Academy in McKinney relating to the SAR Youth Poster Contest. 23 posters from a 5th grade class were submitted to the McKinney Chapter SAR for the contest. Approximately 10 – 12 McKinney SAR members met on a Saturday to judge the posters. The judges selected two posters on behalf of the McKinney SAR Chapter for an award. First place poster theme was John Paul Jones and the recipient was awarded \$100 and the poster will be submitted by the McKinney SAR to the State level SAR poster contest. Second place theme was on Deborah Sampson and the recipient was awarded \$75. 3 other posters were selected and adopted by 2 local North Texas area SAR chapters to be submitted for their local chapter entry to the State level SAR poster contest. Some anonymous SAR member done/s also are awarding each child who's poster was not selected, a \$5 award and certificate of a participation.





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1st Place - Juliette Carroll (\$100 Award)
Sent to the State Contest in March





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2nd Place - Bethany Reed (\$75 Award)

DEBORAH SAMPSON
1760 1827

Bethany Reed

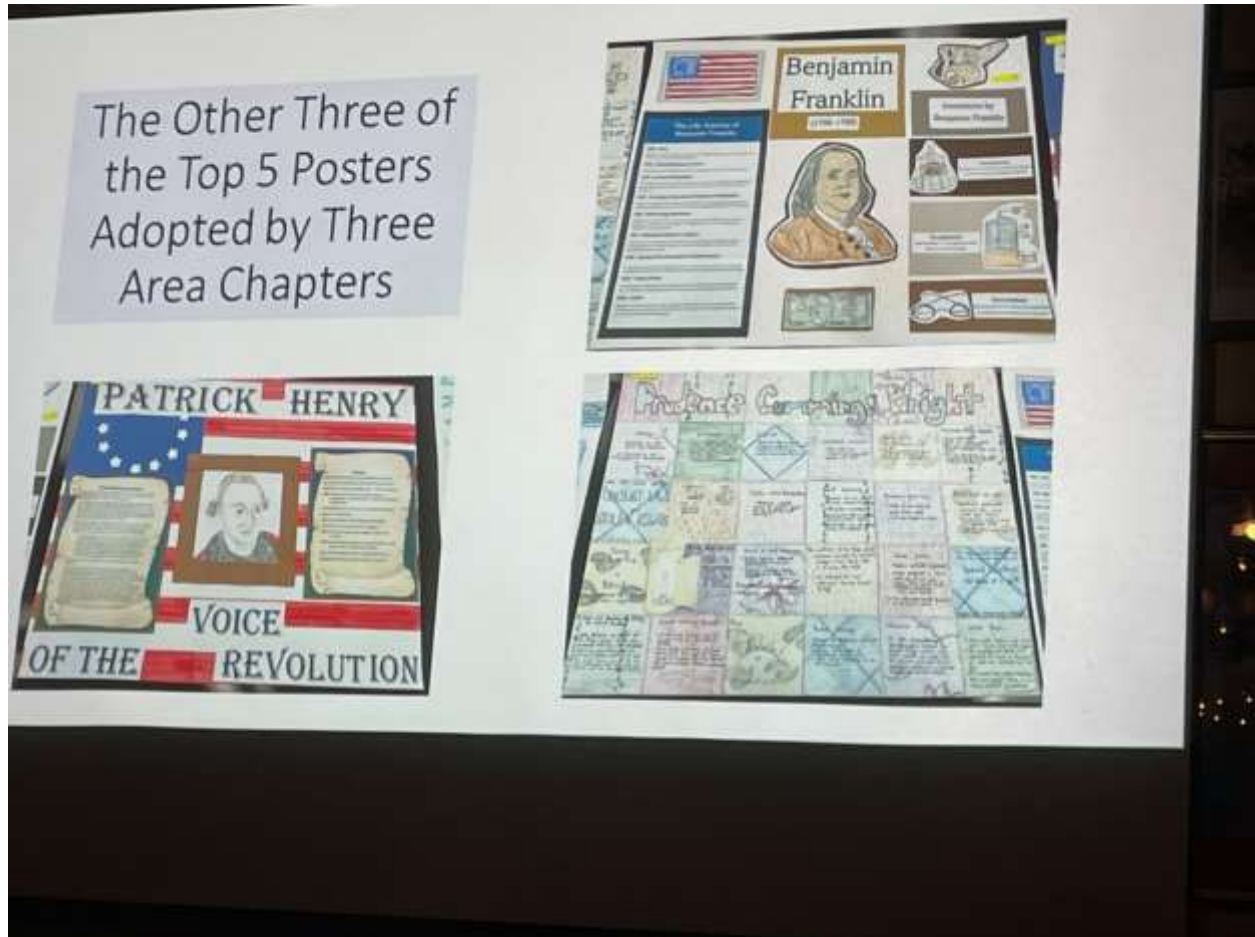
She was an older woman and his father was one of the best farmers in the area. She was not educated along with the farmers' boys.

She was a teacher, and a soldier.

In 1782, Robert Shufeldt invited her to the 11th regiment but being known that she was a girl and that she was known to be a girl, she was not allowed to join. At 5'7" tall and strong and possessed for a woman, she could do a man's job. She did join in 1782 and served in the 11th regiment. Deborah Sampson ended with 2 months of service, which she treated well.



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Mark also stated the Arthur M. & Berdena King, Eagle Scout Contest essay winner was selected with the assistance of the Dallas SAR Chapter in identifying an entrant. Sophia Bergsli Chavez of Lewisville was awarded \$200. Essay titled "Literary effect on the American Revolution by Philip Freneau, poet of the American Revolution", which will be submitted to the State level SAR contest.

Mark in addition stated the Jr. ROTC award was awarded to Marine JROTC - Kylie Martinez in the amount of \$250. Her essay is titled "Becoming a Better Citizen Through JROTC", will be submitted to the State level SAR contest.

- Paul Andreason Chapter President – Presented Distinguished Service Award Past President, Past President Pin, Texas SAR 250th Anniversary pin, 20 years pin, USA/SAR pin.



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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. And read by Paul Andreason, Chapter President "Treasurer's Report for February 20, 2025. The Chapter's funds at our January meeting were \$566.92

The expense for the month was:



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- \$123.31 Registrar costs (web services, postage, stationery)

The income for the month was:

- \$1485.00 donations directly to the Project 2026 set-aside

The Chapter's available funds are: \$443.61, not counting the Project 2026 money.

The Chapter's CD balance is \$5236.95. This account will be closed on April 26th, when that amount will be made available for use." Tom Milson further commented that a financial audit for the year would be forthcoming which was confirmed by Pete McLellan. No further questions or comments.

Other Announcements

- Tom Milson – Pay your 2025 dues

- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:

- - None

Benediction: Paul Andreason Chaplain/President, gave the benediction

Recessional: Lead by Paul Andreason President/Chaplain

Adjournment: President Paul Andreason President/Chaplain adjourned the meeting at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary

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