

**TXSSAR Arlington Chapter No. 7
Southern Recipes Grill, Arlington, TX
Meeting Minutes for November 11, 2017**

Location: Southern Recipes Grill, 2715 North Collins St., Arlington, TX 76006

- I. Call to Order and Posting of Colors** – Following fellowship and breakfast, President John Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 9:10 a.m.
- II. Invocation – By Chaplain Bob Wehr.** Compatriot Wehr read a very moving poem titled “In Flanders Fields” as a tribute to veterans.
- III. Pledges** – Sergeant-at-Arms Bill Covington was absent for a speaking engagement. Compatriot Wally Penny led the pledge of allegiance to the U.S. flag, the pledge to the Texas flag, and the SAR pledge.
- IV. Introductions of Past Chapter Presidents by President Anderson:** Ron Carter – 2011 and David Friels – 2014.
- V. Introduction of Guests by President Anderson:** Linda Mynar (DAR and Compatriot Lee’s daughter), Tim Lockhart (former SAR member San Antonio), Will Graham (application at National), Marvin Bumgardner, and Carl Oehler.
- VI. Comment of the Day – Compatriot Dick Lee** read a light hearted poem honoring the enlisted soldier. All Compatriot Veterans where gathered up front, received an Honored Veteran pin, prayer bookmark “Remembering Our Veterans,” and a “Prayer for Veterans.”
- VII. TX SAR District 5 Vice President Ron Carter Remarks:**
 - The TXSSAR annual BOM (Board of Managers Meeting) was held in Galveston on October 13-15. Compatriots Carter and Anderson attended.
 - The TXSSAR State Conference will be held in Richardson in April 2018.
 - TXSSAR needs a Registrar. Past President Larry Stevens is filling in temporarily.
 - Texas will host the National SAR Congress in Houston at the Weston Hotel in July 2018. Volunteer assistance is needed and there NOT will be a discount to the room rate for members assisting.
 - It is time to commence work on the TXSSAR Annual Report and compatriots with activities outside of Chapter meetings should look up the form on the State Web Site and review the tabs to see if their activities are reportable. Reportable information should be given to the Secretary for entry.
 - Youth Poster Contest topic for this year is Bernardo de Galvez.
 - Members should look for opportunities to award Flag Certificates.
 - Hillsdale College is a valuable resource for free patriotic literature and training.
- VIII. New Member Inductions:** Inductions of Compatriots Brad Herring and Robert Pope are planned for December. Junior Member Jeffrey D. Meller was inducted on October 22, which was during the October meeting of the Three Forks CAR Chapter. President Anderson was assisted by Compatriots Jerry Cope, Ron Carter, Roger Wehr, David Friels, and Junior Members Daniel and Joshua Wehr.

IX. Chapter President's Message

- Compatriot Richard Coffee was awarded a 5-Year membership pin.
- Compatriots Anderson, R. Coffee, M. Hutchins, and Friels were recognized with a District Six Certificate of Merit for supporting SAR during the State Fair by manning an information table.
- Donations will be accepted next month for support of the Bernardo de Galvez Memorial Project. Donations may be given directly to "Galvez Statue."
- Going forward CAR members will be given a special category in all SAR youth contests.
- The Youth Oration contest has been shifted from October to spring and the deadline for entry is January 15 starting in 2019.
- ROTC Metals have been picked up and a new Arlington Grand Prairie Private High School with a Navy JROTC has been added.
- Compatriots should go on line to subscribe or update their information for the TXSSAR DADA list for email contacts. Likewise Compatriots not wishing to receive emails should unsubscribe their names to indicate they wish not to be contacted.
- President Anderson has a binder available that contains most relevant SAR forms.

X. Chapter Business – President John Anderson Presiding:

- **Approval of last meeting's minutes:** There was no October meeting because of the conflict with the TXSSAR BOM. The September minutes as posted on the website were approved.
- **Officer and Committee Reports:**
 - **Vice President Roger Wehr** – We will have at least two Eagle Scout Awards within the next 90 days.
 - **Secretary David Friels** – Work will commence on the Annual Report this month and Compatriots with any activities should email the activity with the date to him. We received checks from the Kroger and Tom Thumb/Albertsons Good Neighbor Programs totaling approximately \$65.
 - **Treasurer** – Compatriot Walton could not attend, but President Anderson conveyed his report that the total bottom line balance as of today is \$2,560.09. Any members with invoices for payment should send them to either Compatriots Walton or Anderson.
 - **Registrar Kevin Jorrey** – Due to high registrar commitments President Anderson will assist Compatriot Jorrey with his Registrar duties. Kevin will continue supporting applicants that currently have applications in process, and Compatriot Anderson will assist with transfers and new applications up to a point where Compatriot Jorrey takes over. Our Chapter Roll shows 67 members, including 10 juniors.

Applications for Roger Cobb and Rodney Ashford are at State, and William Graham's application is at National. We have 5 Supplemental Applications at National, and 3 new applications in preparation.

- **Web-Administration** – Google Docs has changed to Google Backup and Sync. We should contact Compatriots Anderson or Jorrey if we have questions or need assistance.
- **Youth Awards** – Compatriot Wehr suggested we consider a procedure for including our Youth Award information in packets provided to students by the PTA. Perhaps the AISD Council of PTAs can assist.

- **Old Business**

- The recognition award to one or more members of the Mansfield Public Safety Department has been tabled until the first quarter of next year. The person that was selected by Mansfield PSD to receive the award has resigned, and there will be a new selection next year.
- President Anderson has prepared a display which will be in December at the Lake Arlington branch of the Arlington Public Libraries. It has a display cases to accommodate the exhibit.

- **New Business**

- New Officer Nominations – President Anderson ask for a volunteer to chair the nominating committee. Subsequent to adjournment Compatriot Robert Pope volunteered and was appointed. Roger Wehr (current Vice President) is probable as the next chapter President, but all other offices will have to be filled. The role of the Nominations Committee chairman is to assist the next chapter president align the next slate of officers. The slate should be presented in Jan., voted upon in Feb. after seeking nominations from the floor. The resulting officers elect should be inducted in Mar.
- President Anderson also proposed a new committee position for Newsletter Editor.

XI. October/November Birthdays – Compatriots with birthdays during the months of October and November were recognized by President Anderson.

XII. Speakers Bureau, Bill Covington Chair – September and October Presentations:

- September 19, Westlake Historical Preservation Society, Westlake, “Constitution Day”
- September 23, Granbury, Brazos River Valley Chapter, NSSAR, “Uniforms of the American Revolution”
- October 9, Philanthropic Education Organization, Temple, “Slang Expressions from the 18th Century”
- October 14, Writers in the Field, Venus, “The Continental Soldier of the American Revolution”
- October 20, West Waco Library and Genealogical Center - Genealogy Lock-In, “The Role of the Sergeant in the Continental Army”
- October 21, Heart of Texas Storytellers Guild – Walking Tales – Oakwood Cemetery, Waco, “The Life of Neil McLennan”
- October 28, Jane Douglas Chapter, NSDAR, Dallas, “The Scots-Irish in the Continental Army”
- October 28, Texas Genealogical College, Dallas, “ The Frigate South Carolina in the American Revolution”

XIII. North Texas Color Guard Activities - Color Guard Adjutant, Lieutenant Jerry Cope reporting. Other Chapter Members – William Covington and Marshall Cope.

- October 22, Arlington, Three Forks CAR Meeting, Post and Retire Colors and participate in the SAR induction of Jeffery Meller (in Uniform). Also attending to support activities were Compatriots Ron Carter, John Anderson, Roger Wehr, David Friels, and Junior Members Daniel and Joshua Wehr.

XIV. Announcements

- DFW Metroplex TX SAR-DAR-C.A.R. Fall Gala was held Sunday Nov. 5th. Compatriot Pope and his wife attended along with Compatriot Sogan and his wife. The Gala was a Black Tie fund raising event for Veterans and C.A.R., especially Wounded Warriors. The event was held at the Cavanaugh Flight Museum Addison Airport in a hanger occupied by WW I, WW II, and Viet Nam aircraft.
- Compatriot Faletti announced that the University of Scouting will be held Saturday, November 18 at the Trinity River Campus of Tarrant County College. A table available for SAR to provide information on scout awards. All members are asked to assist manning the table. Compatriots Anderson and Friels will man the table during the morning shift.
- Saturday November 18 there will be a special tribute to Compatriot Morgan Woodward. The event will be at the UTA Rosebud Theater at 6 pm and is entitled “Morgan Woodward, From Arlington to Hollywood.”
- Various other announcements and information on upcoming events were provided on reverse side of the agenda.

XV. Motion to Adjourn – approved

XVI. SAR Recessional/ Closing Admonition led by Compatriot Wally Penny.

XVII. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:40 am.

XVIII. Attendance Summary:

14 members and 5 guests were present for the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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