



On January 2, 2007 members from the McKinney and Plano chapters performed color guard duties for the opening ceremony of the Denton, TX 150 Anniversary celebration.

Left to Right: Robert Hall (Plano/McKinney), Dan Reed (McKinney), Willie Walker (McKinney/Plano) and Mike Radcliff (Plano/McKinney). *Photo from Willie Walker*



(left photo) Compatriots Vic Smith (Brazos Valley Chapter) and Willie Walker (McKinney/Plano) told the assembled 5th graders about the Revolutionary War. (right photo) Wosar Marilyn Walker talked about women in the Revolution.



The 5th graders at the Cornerstone Christian Academy listened and asked questions. *Photos from Willie Walker*



(left photo) The Children's Choir sang the National Anthem along with the Color Guard. (right photo) Compatriot Mike Radcliff led the color guard posting the Colors.



Members of the McKinney and Plano SAR chapters performed color guard duties for a new citizen Naturalization Ceremony at the Arlington Convention Center, where 595 new citizens were naturalized on January 9, 2007.

(photo left to right) Compatriots Dan Reed (Plano/McKinney), Willie Walker (Plano/McKinney), DAR Regent, Mike Radcliff (Plano/McKinney), Regent's son, Robert Hall (Plano/McKinney) and Dick Arnold (Dallas/Plano). *Photos from Willie Walker*



The chapter officers for 2007 were installed by President General Nathan White.

(left to right) Vice President Milton Lentz, Historian Marshall Battle, Chaplain Tommy Slay, PG Nathan White, Secretary/Treasurer/Webmaster Cecil Coale, Sergeant at Arms Billie Lee Thompson, Registrar Willie Walker.



(left photo) Compatriot Cecil Coale received a supplemental certificate for his ancestor James Finnie, who was a soldier in the Virginia army. (right photo) PG Nathan White received the SAR War Service Medal. Wosar Mae Shaw received SAR War Service medals for her Alverson relatives.





(left photo) PG Nathan White told the group about the SAR museum building project in Louisville, Kentucky. (right) Compatriots Jim Johnson, Mike Radcliff and Willie Walker presented PG White with a custom tricorn hat to compliment his revolutionary uniform. *Photos from Willie Walker*

The McKinney SAR Chapter held its monthly meeting on January 11, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Steak Kountry Restaurant in McKinney.

Those attending the meeting were: Marshall and Sylvia Battle, Cecil and Marcia Coale, Nick Harper, Jim Johnson (Denton), Milton Lentz, David and Bill Noe, Mike Radcliff (Plano), Peter Rowley (Plano), Don and Ann Sielert, James and Mae Shaw, Tommy Slay, Billie and Kathleen Thompson, Willie and Marilyn Walker, Nathan and Wanda White.

Treasurer Cecil Coale reported \$1015 in the bank.

Officers for the 2007 year were installed by President General Nathan White: President Peter McLellan, Vice President Milton Lentz, Secretary/Treasurer/ Webmaster Cecil Coale, Historian Marshall Battle, Chaplain Tommy Slay, Registrar Willie Walker, Sergeant at Arms Billie Lee Thompson.

President General Nathan White spoke to the group about his experiences at the National level this year and about the national headquarters museum project in Louisville, Kentucky.

President Walker advised that a joint Board of Managers meeting will be sponsored by the the McKinney and Plano Chapters in November, 2007.

Compatriots Jim Johnson, Mike Radcliff and Peter Rowley presented President General White with a custom SAR color guard tricorn hat.

Compatriot Cecil Coale received a supplemental for his ancestor James Finnie.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm by President Walker.



(photo left to right) Compatriots Willie Walker, Mike Radcliff and Dan Reed presented the colors at the February 1, 2007 naturalization ceremony for new citizens at the Plano Centre.



Mike Radcliff led the new citizens in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States.

*Photos from Willie Walker*





McKinney chapter oration contestant Matthew Schroeder and his mother Casey. Matthew is a senior at McKinney Christian Academy.



(right photo) Willie Walker presented Eugene Trimble the SAR War Service Medal. (left photo) Outgoing Chapter President Willie Walker installed the 2007 Chapter President Peter McLellan.



McKinney Police Chief Kowlski introduced the evening's speaker Ms. Jill Muncy. Chief Kowalski and Jill Muncy were Deputy Chiefs in the Dallas PD at the same time.

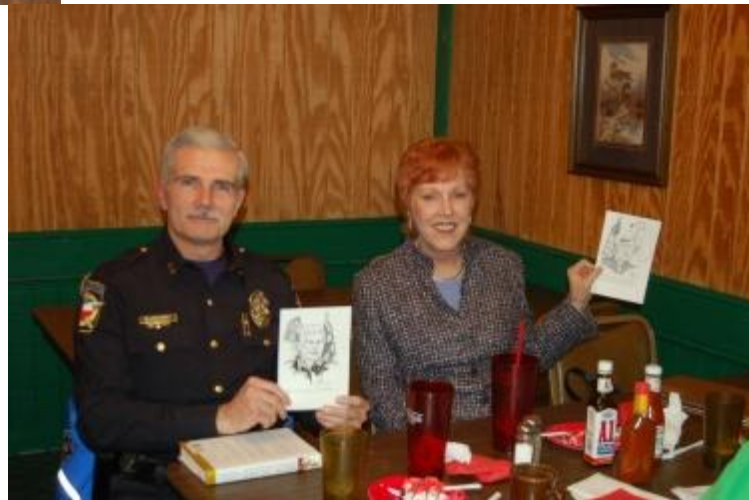
Ms. Muncy spent four years in Kosovo as the deputy chief of police for the UN Commission. She was most recently president of Police International.







(left) President Peter McLellan presented Chief Kowalski the book "Iron Tears" about the American Revolution. (right) Jill Muncy accepted the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal from president Peter McLellan



(left) Ms. Muncy, Jim Johnson, Chief Kowalski and Marilyn Walker. (right) Compatriot Jim Johnson made these sketches of Ms. Muncy and Chief Kowalski during the evening's meeting. *Photos from Compatriot Willie Walker*

The McKinney SAR Chapter held its monthly meeting on February 8, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Steak Kountry Restaurant in McKinney.

There was a beautiful cake celebrating the birthday of the McKinney Chapter.

McKinney chapter oration contestant Matthew Schroeder presented his speech. Matthew is a senior at McKinney Christian Academy.

Willie Walker presented Eugene Trimble the SAR War Service Medal.

Treasurer Cecil Coale reported \$1015 in the bank.

2006 president Willie Walker installed 2007 president Peter McLellan.

Guest speaker was Ms. Jill Muncy who spoke about her security work in Kosovo. She was introduced by McKinney Police Chief Kowalski.

Compatriot Jim Johnson of Denton presented very nice sketches of Ms. Muncy and chief Kowalski to them.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm by President McLellan.



On Thursday night, February 15, 2007, John Greer presented his Timothy Murphy story for the Red River Valley chapter. Murphy was said to be the best shot in the revolutionary army.



Mike Everheart presented John with a Certificate of Appreciation for his delightful talk. *Photos from Compatriot Willie Walker*



The Ambassador Fletcher Warren SAR chapter and Willaim Croxall DAR chapter held a joint meeting at the First Baptist Church in Fairlie, TX on Saturday, February 17, 2007. (left to right) Jim Johnson, Willie Walker and John Greer served as color guard.



The program "The First Presidents and Their Wives" was presented by Jim and Mary Lynn Johnson.



The DAR ladies prepared a great spread.

Jim Johnson presented the Ambassador Fletcher Warren SAR chapter a copy of the Declaration of Independence.



Jim Johnson sketched George and Martha Washington.

*Photos from Compatriot Willie Walker*

McKinney Assistant Fire Chief Frank Roma gave a very interesting talk on the origin of the EMS service in the US and McKinney in general. He told how the first EMS services were funeral homes using hearses and how the competing services would race to a call.



(left) President McLellan presented Chief Roma with a Certificate of Appreciation. (right) President McLellan presented Captain Russell Griffin with the very first EMT award presented by the McKinney chapter. *Photos from Willie Walker*

The McKinney SAR Chapter held its monthly meeting on March 8, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Steak Kountry Restaurant in McKinney.

Addendees were: Billy & Kathleen Thompson, Don & Ann Sielert, Rpbert Hall, Nick & Ann Harper, Marshall & Sylvia Battle, Nathan & Wanda White, Eugene Trimble, Larry Jones, Ron Smith, Pete McLellan, Willie Walker, Asst Fire Chief Frank Roma, Capt. Russell Griffin and wife Crystal.

Treasurer Cecil Coale reported later that there were \$733 in available funds in the chapter bank account.

Assistant Fire Chief Frank Roma gave a very interesting talk on the origin of the EMS service in the US and McKinney in general. The first EMS service were funeral homes using hearses. The competing services would race to the call.

Captain Russell Griffin was presented the first EMT award presented by the McKinney chapter and Chief Roma was presented a Certificate of Appreciation.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm by President McLellan.



Judge Ed Kinkeade requested the Plano Chapter of Collin County, Sons of the American Revolution to participate in uniform on March 21, 2007 for the U.S. Citizen Naturalization Ceremony in Dallas for the New Citizens of the United States.

(Photo left to right) Mike Radcliff (Plano/McKinney), Robert Hall (Plano), a New Citizen, and Richard Arnold (Plano/Dallas). *Photo from Compatriot Steve Seachord*



The annual TXSSAR Conference was held in San Antonio March 23-25, 2007. McKinney members attending were: Nathan and Wanda White, Pete and Dagny McLellan, Mike and Carol Radcliff, Peter Rowley and Sandi Craig, Jim and Mary Lynn Johnson and Willie and Marilyn Walker.



(left) FSP Dick Robinett, George Washington (a.k.a. Mark Collins) and Jim Johnson (right) Pete McLellan and Tom Lawrence at the luncheon.



(left) Mike Radcliff received the Silver Good Citizenship Medal.

(right) Marilyn Walker with George Washington (a.k.a. Mark Collins).



Nathan White was proclaimed an Admiral of the Texas Navy and Wanda White was proclaimed a Yellow Rose of Texas. (Photo left to right) Jim Johnson, Nathan White, Bill Marrs, Tom Green and Wanda White. *Photos from Willie Walker.*



Captain John B. "Jay" Bradley III



Captain John B "Jay" Bradley III, a member of the Plano Chapter of Collin County, of the Sons of the American Revolution, is serving in Iraq. The

SAR wanted to send Jay and his fellow solders a "Care-Package" to make his unit a little more comfortable. When contacted, Jay ask for nothing but School Supplies and Soccer Balls for the children they come in contact with daily. The Plano Chapter shipped 5 boxes weighing 142 pounds of school supplies, notebooks, notebook paper, pencils, crayons, marking pens, Soccer Balls, & Beanie Babies. Coordinating the effort was Dan Reed and Robert Hall. Captain Bradley is the son of Mr.and Mrs. John B. Bradley Jr. who is a Pharmacist at CVS in Wylie. *Photos from Compatriot Steve Seachord.*



On April 4, 2007 members of the McKinney and Plano chapters participated in a USCIS Naturalization Ceremony held at the Garland ISD Special Events Center. 2750 people from 124 countries were naturalized. Texas Senator John Cornyn was the guest speaker. The Marine Corp provided the color guard and the SAR members were on the stage. Mike Radcliff presented Senator Cornyn with a Certificate from the TXSSAR. Mike also presented a Certificate of Appreciation to James Henson, Deputy Director of the USCIS Dallas office.

(left) Mike Radcliff, Willie Walker, Dan Reed, Dick Arnold and the Marine Corp color guard

Willie Walker, Mike Radcliff, Dick Arnold, New Citizen and Dan Reed



(left) SAR members with Mayor Don Day. (right) Deputy Director of the USCIS Dallas office James Henson was presented a Certificate of Appreciation from Mike Radcliff.



(left) Texas Senator John Cornyn presented Citizenship Certificate to Navy service man. (right) SAR members with Senator Cornyn. *Above photos from Willie Walker*



(left) Senator John Cornyn, District Director Kristi Barrows and Garland Mayor Bob Day. In uniform are compatriots Mike Radcliff, William Walker, Dan Reed and Richard Arnold. (right) U.S. military soldiers taking the Oath of Allegiance as new citizens. *These two photos from Steve Seachord*



The McKinney Chapter held its regular monthly meeting at the Steak Kountry restaurant in McKinney on Thursday, April 12, 2007.

USO Volunteers are at the departure gate every day for the flight going back to the Middle East. Each service member receives an Operation USO Care Package when



The guest speaker was Ms. Linda Robinson who presented a delightful program about the USO DFW "Meet and Greet program." *These photos were taken Willie Walker.*



boarding along with farewell wishes from USO volunteers.





The McKinney SAR Chapter held its monthly meeting on April 12, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Steak Kountry Restaurant in McKinney.

Attendees were: Billy & Kathleen Thompson, Don & Ann Sielert, Robert Hall, Marshall & Sylvia Battle, Cecil and Marcia Coale, Milton Lentz, Eugene Trimble, Larry Jones, Ron Smith, Pete McLellan, Willie and Marilyn Walker, and guest Ms. Linda Robinson. There was a total of 18 members, Wosars and two guests.

Treasurer Cecil Coale reported that there were \$679 in available funds in the chapter bank account. The dues check from TXSSAR has not been received by the chapter yet.

Ms. Linda Robinson presented a delightful program about the USO DFW Meet and Greet project at the DFW airport each day. She also volunteered for USO duty in Iraq and will depart soon. President Pete McLellan presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation.

President McLellan invited everyone to the DAR John Abston grave marking ceremony at 3 pm this Saturday.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm by President McLellan.



(left) Dick Arnold, Michael Ratcliff, Curtis Ratcliff, David Ratcliff, Charles Sprague, Mike Everheart (right) Bugler Owen Jones (background), John Abston descendants Wynona Lee, Curtis Ratcliff, Michael Ratcliff, David Radcliff, Dan Reed & Willie Walker



(left) Owen Jones played taps. (right) Wynona Lee and Mike Everheart





(left) Owen Jones, Dan Reed, Wynona Lee, Charles Sprague, Mike Everheart, Dick Arnold, Willie Walker, Peter Rowley, Mike Radcliff, Early Erwin, Robert Hall, Jim Johnson (right) Mike Everheart, Robert Hall, Jim Johnson, Dick Arnold, Peter Rowley, Willie Walker, Mike Radcliff, Charles Sprague & Dan Reed in the bluebonnets

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**John Abston Re-Dedication Ceremony**  
April 14, 2007

**D.A.R. Members present :**

Early Irvin, Regent John Abston Chapter McKinney  
Wynona Lee, Descendant of John Abston John Abston Chapter (McKinney)  
Early Cook, John Abston Chapter (McKinney)  
Sandi Craig, Wife of Peter Rowley

**S.A.R. Members Present:**

Mike Everheart, DVP 10/Red River Valley Chapter(Pres) / Captain William Barron Chapters  
Mike Radcliff, Inland Registrar/Plano/McKinney Chapters  
Peter Rowley, Plano/McKinney Chapters  
Richard Arnold, FSP /Dallas/Plano  
Dan Reed, Plano Chapter  
William Walker, DVP11/McKinney/Plano Chapter  
Jim Johnson, TXSSAR Color Guard Commander Denton/McKinney Chapters  
Ned and Sally LaRowe, Plano Chapter(Sec)  
Curtis Ratcliff, Descendant of John Abston/Plano Chapter  
Micheal Ratcliff, Descendant of John Abston  
David Ratcliff, Descendant of John Abston  
Owen Jones, Edmond Terrell Chapter Sherman /Played Taps



(left) Rev. Wes Geary, Colonel, U. S. Army retired, was the evening guest speaker. Col. Geary spoke on the meaning of Memorial Day.

(right) NSSAR President General Nathan White *Photos by Willie Walker*



Willie Walker presented him with the revolutionary war book "Iron Tears," which was signed by all SAR members in attendance. *Photo by Marshall Battle*

David Appleby, NSSAR Treasurer General attended the meeting. *Photo by Willie Walker*



Members and guests that attended the meeting. *Photos by Marshall Battle*

The McKinney SAR Chapter held its monthly meeting on May 10, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Steak Kountry Restaurant in McKinney.

Attendees were: Billy & Kathleen Thompson, Don & Ann Sielert, Robert Hall, Marshall, Lee & Sylvia Battle, Cecil and Marcia Coale, Milton Lentz, Don and Ann Sielert Eugene Trimble, Larry Jones, Ron Smith, Pete and Dagne McLellan, Willie and Marilyn Walker, Nathan and Wanda White.

Guests were SAR Treasurer General Treasurer General David N. Appleby and wosar Rayleen of Missouri. Guest speaker was Wes Geary, Colonel U. S. Army retired chaplain.

Treasurer Cecil Coale reported that there were \$1206 in available funds in the chapter bank account. The dues check from TXSSAR have been received by the chapter.

Col. Geary spoke on the meaning of Memorial Day. President McLellan presented him with the revolutionary war book "Iron Tears," which was signed by all SAR members in attendance.

President McLellan invited everyone to participate in the Iraq soldier greetings at the DFW airport.

President McLellan presented Nathan White with the SAR military service medal.

President McLellan presented Willie Walker with his second past president pin.

Don Sielert was elected Chaplain to replace Tommy Slay who moved recently to Nacogdoches, Texas.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm by President McLellan.

On May 22, 2007 the Honorable Richard A. Schell, United States District Judge, gave the Oath of Allegiance to over 700 new Citizens for the Naturalization Ceremony at the Plano Convention Center in Plano. Judge Schell requested the Plano and McKinney Chapters of Collin County, Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) to participate by the presentation and retrieval of Colors during the Ceremony. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by SAR member, Michael Radcliff.

The TXSSAR Color Guard presented and retired the Colors for 750 new citizens from 88 different countries with a total attendance of 1550. Compatriots Richard Arnold, Robert Hall, Howard Roach, Dan Reed, Mike Radcliff and William Walker were present.

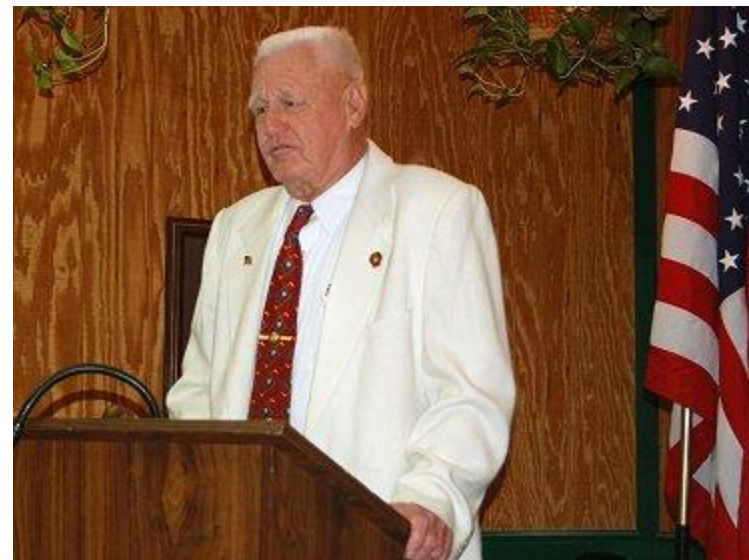


Federal Judge, the Honorable Richard Schell between two new citizens in the front row.

L-R in photo: Dan Reed, Mike Radcliff, Robert Hall, Federal Judge The Honorable Richard Schell, Willie Walker and Dick Arnold. *Photos from Steve Seachord and Willie Walker*







(left) Milton Lentz introduced Milton Kizer who was our speaker for the evening. (right) Speaker Master Gunnery Sergeant Milton Kizer, USMC retired, told us about his 27 years of service in the Air Wing of the USMC during World War 2, Korea and Viet Nam. He enlisted in the Marine Corps at age 17 in 1943.

Chapter President Pete McLellan presented Milton Kizer the SAR War Service Medal.





Pete presented a SAR Flag Certificate and the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to Kirk Stephans. His daughter Casie and wife Lana look on. Kirk Stephans led the successful fund raising to buy flag poles and flags for the several recent newly constructed fire stations in McKinney. *Photos by Willie Walker*

The McKinney SAR Chapter held its monthly meeting on June 14, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Steak Kountry Restaurant in McKinney.

Attendees were: Billy & Kathleen Thompson, Don & Ann Sielert, Robert Hall, Cecil and Marcia Coale, Dick and Ann Harper Milton Lentz, Eugene Trimble, Larry Jones, Ron Smith, Pete and Dagne McLellan, Willie and Marylin Walker, Nathan and Wanda White.

Guests were Kirk, Cassie and Lana Stephans and Sgt. Milton Kizer, USMC ret. and Mrs. Kizer.

Today was Flag Day.

Treasurer Cecil Coale reported that there were \$1116 in available funds in the chapter bank account.

Sgt. Kizer talked about his 27 year service in the air wing of the USMC during World War 2, Korea and Viet Nam. He enlisted in the Marine Corps at age 17 in 1943. President McLellan presented Sgt. Kizer with a Certificate of Appreciation and the SAR War Service medal.

President McLellan invited everyone to participate in the Iraq soldier greetings at the DFW airport.

President McLellan presented a Flag certificate and Bronze Good Citizen medal to Kirk Stephans. Mr. Stephans originated and led a successful fund raising effort which bought flags and flag poles for the newly constructed fire stations in McKinney.

There will be no meetings in July and August.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm by President McLellan.



On July 13, 2007 Dick Arnold (Plano), Howard Roach (Plano), and Willie Walker traveled to Wichita Falls, Texas to act as color guard for a new citizen naturalization ceremony in the Federal Court of Judge Roach.



(left photo) Willie Walker, Judge Roach, Howard Roach and Dick Arnold. (right photo) Dick Arnold and Judge Roach. *Photos from Willie Walker.*



On July 26, 2007 Mike Radciff, Peter Rowley, Richard Arnold and Willie Walker served as color guard for the inauguration of the Ron Jones, the new mayor of Garland.



(Photo left to right) Peter Rowley, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Jones and Mike Radcliff. Photos from Willie Walker. They were published in the "The Garland News" also.

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In Saturday's McKinney neighborsgo: McKinney couples waltz their way to a better marriage. [dallasnews.com/neighborsgo](http://dallasnews.com/neighborsgo)

## Saluting past suits him

**McKinney:** Retired judge spends year as leader of the Sons of American Revolution

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Now that his year as president general of the Sons of the American Revolution has come to a close, retired state district Judge Nathan White Jr. can't help thinking back to those 12 months he held the reins of the 26,000-member group whose members trace their ancestries to the revolution.

"We're going to miss the many opportunities we had," said Judge White. "My wife, Wanda, and I met a lot of interesting people along the way."

Highlights included meeting with President Bush in the Oval Office on May 8.

"He's a member of the SAR, and we presented him with a medallion of the 400th anniversary of the settlement at Jamestown," Judge White said.

Judge White, a McKinney resident, also met the governors of Idaho and Utah, as well as mayors of cities he visited as president general.

His year was not without its challenges.

"Our executive director resigned, and we had to hire some new personnel," he said. "Also, we raised money to build a center for advancing America's heritage. It's a \$6 million project."

He began his year as president general at the SAR's 116th congress in Dallas on July 11, 2006. It ended at this year's convention in Williamsburg, Va. Judge White traveled to 26 states and 50 events.

This was not the first time Judge White has been in charge of an organization.

"I have been president or chairman or presiding officer or in charge of some 33 organizations since I was president of the Plano Senior High School Class of 1960," he said. "I was 18 then, and I am 65 years old now. The leadership skills are somewhat the same. Did he always plan to lead the way? "I didn't have aspirations," he said. "Everything just fell into place. It's where preparation meets opportunity."

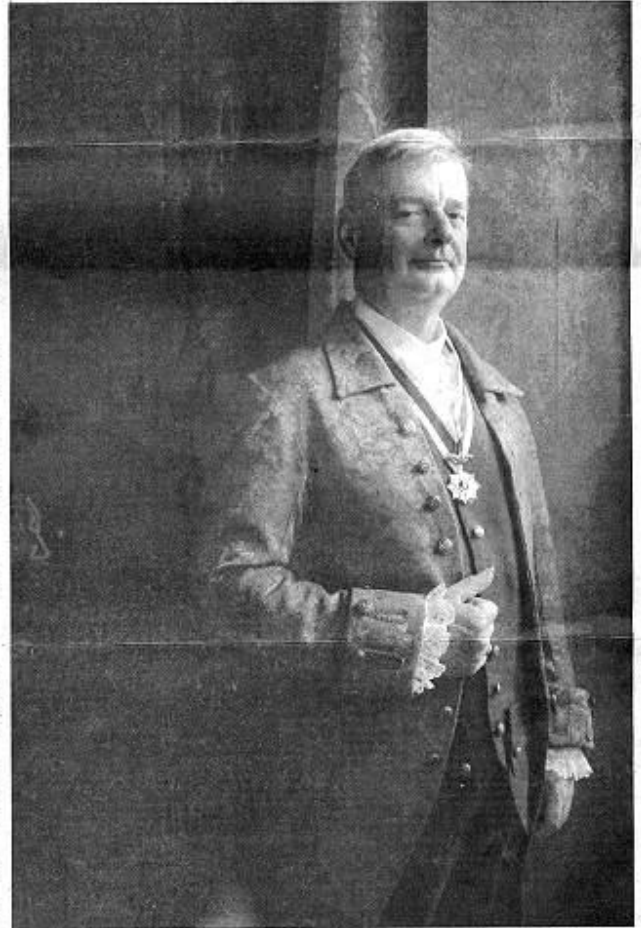
Those who know him best are not surprised he has taken the lead so many times.

"He's not a shrinking violet," said Judge White's friend, Collin County Probate Court Judge Weldon Copeland. "He doesn't just belong to an organization. He gets in and works with it."

William Walker has known Judge White since the two founded the McKinney SAR chapter together more than a decade ago. He agreed with Judge Copeland that Judge White is a go-getter.

"I am not surprised that Nathan became president general," said Mr. Walker. "He's very dynamic and always in motion."

Now that his year as president general has come to a close, Judge White said his



BRANDON THIBODEAUX/Special Contributor

Retired Judge Nathan White Jr., who was president general of the Sons of the American Revolution for the past year, is dressed for the part in a replica of an 18th-century gentleman's frock coat.

### NATHAN WHITE JR.

Age: 65

Hometown: Plano

Family: Wife, Wanda, sons and daughters-in-law Brad and Sharon and Steve and Toy, grandchildren, Averi, Ashley and Aden

I told my kids: the most important subjects are speech and English

Best trait: being resourceful

I like to read: biographies and books on history

Hobbies: golf and genealogy

If I could, I would: visit every country in the world

What I did that other SAR presidents don't usually do: At last year's SAR convention in Dallas, we invited 127 SAR members to our home in McKinney for dinner. We wanted people to come out to our home to get a home hospitality feeling.

I also served as: Rotary district governor, vice president and director of the Plano Chamber of Commerce, director of the McKinney Chamber of Commerce and was vice chairman of the Boys Scouts of America Bois d'Arc District

I am presently serving as: president of the Plano Mutual Cemetery Association.

role in the SAR has taken another turn.

"I have the duties of a past president and permanent member of the National Board of Trustees and have roles of

awards and nominating committees, so I am not going away," said Judge White. "And I may join a few more lineage societies."

The Texas Society held a BOM on August 4 & 5, 2007 at the Tapatio Springs Resort at Boerne, Texas.

*Photos by Willie Walker*



(left) Jim Johnson addressed the group. (right) Color guard members Richard Arnold, Fifer, Jim Johnson, Mike Radcliff



(left) FPG Nathan White and Wosar Wanda

(right) FPG Nathan White addressed the group.



(left) Wosar Marilyn Walker addressed the group.

(right) Gary Sisson reenacted Patrick Henry's famous speech.



Primary members of the McKinney chapter present were FPG Nathan White and Wanda, chapter president Peter McLellan and Dagny, chapter registrar and DVP 11 Willie Walker and Marilyn. Dual members present were Mike Radcliff, Jim Johnson and wife Mary Lynn, Gary Sisson and wife Debbie and Peter Rowley. Mike Radcliff and Peter Rowley served with the color guard.





(left) Willie Walker, New Citizen, Jim Johnson and Mike Radcliff were the color guard at the new citizen naturalization ceremonies at the Plano Centre on August 8, 2007. *Photos from Willie Walker*



(left) President McLellan presented supplemental certificates to Ernest Martin, Marshall Battle and Willie Walker.

(right) Peter Rowley discussed the new label pens now available.



Mike Radcliff told about a War of 1812 grave marking ceremony to be held in Collin County.



(left) Sheriff Terry Box introduced guest speaker Sgt. Diane Stubbs.

(right) Sgt. Diane Stubbs told the meeting about the Sheriff's Law Enforcement Explorer program for young people.



(right) President McLellan presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Sgt. Stubbs for her work with the Police Explorer program.



(left) President McLellan presented the Chapter Service Medal to Sheriff Box.

Sgt. Stubbs, President McLellan and Sheriff Box.



The McKinney SAR Chapter held its monthly meeting on September 13, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Steak Kountry Restaurant in McKinney.

Attendees were Mike Radcliff, Wanda White (No Nathan) Pete McLellan, Peter Rowley, Marshall and Sylvia Battle, Lee Battle, Larry Jones, Don and Ann Sielert, Willie and Marilyn Walker, Milton and Jerry Lentz, Ernest Martin, Don Babbs (Transferring from Las Vegas chapter), Terry Box, Collin County Sheriff, Diane Stubbs, Sgt Collin County Sheriff's Department.

President Pete McLellan opened meeting about 7:00 PM.

Chaplain Don Sielert led the invocation.

The Pledges were led by various members.

Treasurer Cecil Coale emailed his report which was read by President McLellan.

Peter Rowley discussed the TXSSAR pins which are on sale for \$5.

Mike Radcliff discussed the 1812 soldier grave marking coming up.

Ernest Martin, Marshall Battle and Willie Walker were presented with SAR Supplemental certificates.

President McLellan and Willie Walker discussed the BOM and requested volunteers.

Sheriff Terry Box introduced Sgt. Diane Stubbs.

Sgt. Stubbs told about the Explorer Scout program sponsored by the Sheriff's Department.

Sgt. Stubbs was presented the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal.

Sheriff Box was presented the Chapter Service Medal for the support he has given our chapter.

Chaplain Sielert led the Benediction.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted by Compatriot Willie Walker, Secretary ProTem.



On Saturday, October 13, 2007 the McKinney chapter held a joint meeting with John Abston DAR chapter at the Heard-Craig Hall in McKinney. Past NSSAR President General Nathan White and his wife Wanda were the speakers at the meeting. The subject of their talk was "A Year of Travel for SAR".

*Photos from Willie Walker*



(left) Color guard members Howard Roach (Plano) & Robert Hall (Plano/McKinney).

(right) Wanda & Nathan accepting a gift to the Center for Advancing American's Heritage in their name from the John Abston DAR chapter.



(left) Harold Dean "Thump" Witcher was inducted by PPG Nathan White. Pete McLellan, Thump Witcher, Rex Witcher, Nathan White.

(right) Will Bush (left) was inducted into the McKinney chapter by PPG Nathan White. Bill Bush pinning on the Rosette, Nathan, Pete McLellan.



**Views of the Board of Managers meeting at the Southfork Hotel October 28-29, 2007**

*These photos were done by Compatriot Willie Walker.*



(left) Compatriots Robert Hall and Thurston Blakley at the registration table. (right) FPG Nathan White spoke at the banquet along with George West and Harry Fife.





(left) McKinney Chapter President Pete McLellan and wife Dagne at the Saturday evening banquet. (right) Peter Rowley, Scott O'Grady and George West. United States Air Force Captain Scott O'Grady's F-16 was shot down over Bosnia while patrolling the NATO no-fly zone on June 2, 1995. O'Grady survived on bugs and grass until he was rescued six days later.



(left) Color guard members Mike Radcliff, Tricia Gilbert (Southfork Hotel) and Jim Johnson. (right) Rosemary Rumbley was the banquet speaker. Afterwards, Mike Radcliff presented her a Liberty Bell. Wosar Marilyn Walker presented Ms. Rumbley with a Ladies Auxillary pin.

*These fine photos were taken by Compatriot Willie Walker.*

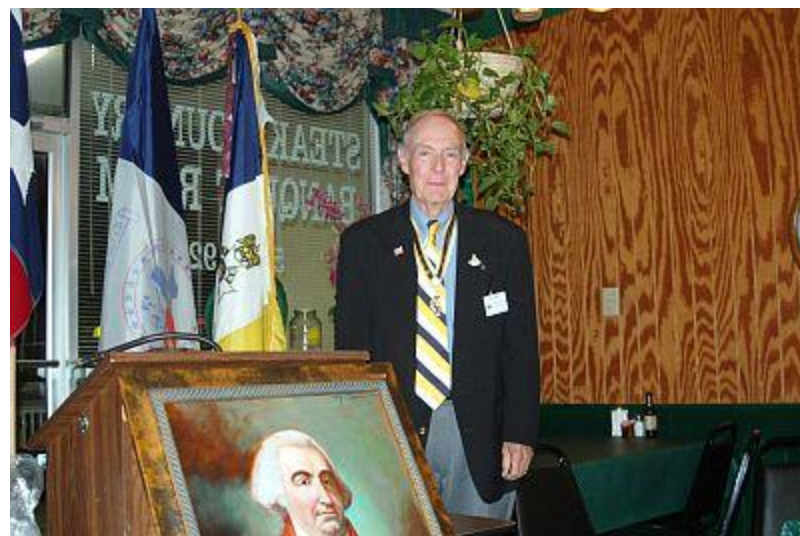


President Peter McLellan opened the meeting at 7 pm at the Steak Kountry restaurant in McKinney.



Compatriot Tom Smith of the Dallas SAR chapter spoke to our group about the Yorktown, Virginia siege that ended the ground part of the Revolutionary War.

President McLellan presented Tom with a Certificate of Appreciation.





On Monday, November 19, 2007 Compatriots Willie Walker, Dan Reed (Plano/McKinney) & Ned LaRowe (Plano) held a program for 5th students at Hedgecoxe elementary school in Plano.



(left to right) Compatriots Ned LaRowe and Willie Walker

*Photos by Sally LaRowe*



(left) President McLellan opened the meeting at 7 pm. (right) Judge Mike Yarbrough introduced our speaker Randy Bilyeu who is a history teacher at Boyd High School in McKinney.



(left) Guest speaker Randy Bilyeu did a excellent job reading Patrick Henry's speech and discussed his philosophy. (right) We presented him with a certificate as the McKinney History Teacher of the Year and the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal.



Wosar Marilyn Walker discussed the TXSSAR Ladies Auxillary. *Photos by Willie Walker*

**McKinney Chapter of the TXSSAR**

**12/13/2007**

**Call to order** ..... President Pete McLellan

**Invocation** .....Chaplain Don Sielert

**Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag:** \_\_\_\_\_

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

**Pledge to the Texas Flag:**..... \_\_\_\_\_

"Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God and indivisible."

**Pledge to SAR Flag:** ..... \_\_\_\_\_

"We the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe"

**Minutes:** The minutes from the last meeting have been published on the chapter web site. I'll entertain questions and comments at this time, if there are none I'll accept a motion to accept them as written on the web site.

**Treasurer's report:** .....Cecil Coale

**Introduction of Compatriots and guests:**

**Current business:** ..... Open

- Vote on slate of officers for 2008
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The following were in attendance;

Dan Babbs

Pete McLellan

Jim Johnson

Graham Martin (New dual member)

Ernest Martin

Billy and Kathleen Thompson

Milton & Jerry Lentz

Mike & Nancy Yarbrough

James & Mae Shaw

Don & Ann Sielert

Willie & Marilyn Walker

Randy & Theresa Bilyeu

Judge Mike Yarbrough introduced our speaker Randy Bilyeu who is a history teacher at Boyd High School in McKinney. He did a excellent job reading Patrick Henry's speech and discussed his philosophy. We presented him with a certificate as the McKinney History Teacher of the Year and the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal.

Wosar Marilyn Walker discussed the TXSSAR Ladies Auxilary.



**McKinney Chapter of the TXSSAR**

**12/13/2007**

**Call to order** ..... President Pete McLellan

**Invocation** .....Chaplain Don Sielert

**Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag:** \_\_\_\_\_

“I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.”

**Pledge to the Texas Flag:**..... \_\_\_\_\_

“Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God and indivisible.”

**Pledge to SAR Flag:** .....\_\_\_\_\_

“We the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe”

**Minutes:** The minutes from the last meeting have been published on the chapter web site. I’ll entertain questions and comments at this time, if there are none I’ll accept a motion to accept them as written on the web site.

**Treasurer’s report:** .....Cecil Coale

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Respectively Submitted by Compatriot Willie Walker, Secretary ProTem.