



**TEXAS SOCIETY  
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
OFFICER REPORTS TO THE  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING**

**OCTOBER 5 – 6, 2019**

**ARLINGTON, TEXAS**

**Officer reports cover the period from the state convention in April  
2019 to the posting date.**

## ***President - David J. Temple***

Since the State Convention in Austin I have:

Attended the April 13, 2019 meeting of the Dallas Chapter where I spoke to the membership about Recruiting, retaining and reinstating members in 2019-2020

Visited the Plano Chapter at their meetings on June 4 and August 6, 2019

Visited and addressed the Edmund Terrell Chapter at their May 15, 2019 meeting in Sherman

Participated with members of the North Texas Color Guard in the Audie Murphy Parade on June 22, 2019 in Farmersville, TX

Marched in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parades in Lake Highlands and University Park with the Dallas Chapter Color Guard.

Attended the South-Central District Meeting in Oklahoma City, OK on August 23 – 24, 2019. Nominated PSP Larry Stevens for Vice President General of the district and he was duly elected. He should be sworn into office during the 2020 Congress in Richmond, VA.

Visited the William Hightower Chapter at their September 12, 2019 meeting. Spoke to the chapter about the business of the Texas Society and items going on at National as well as on the financial stress leading to Yorktown. Received the Texas CAR project pin from a young member of the CAR.

Attended the SAR Fall Leadership Meeting on September 20 and 21, 2019 in Louisville, KY where I represented the Texas Society on the Membership and Genealogy Committees. A new application form was voted on in the Genealogy Committee to present to the Trustees. The Texas Society 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Medal was presented to the Medals and Awards Committee and was approved to present to the Executive Committee.

## ***President- Elect - Drake M. Peddie***

Attended Oklahoma State Convention to represent Texas SAR and bring greetings in late April in Norman, OK.

- Made several updates and enhancements to the membership database.
- Worked on training and transition for the new State Secretary.
- Worked on training and transition for the new State Treasurer.
- Worked on training and transition of new State Meetings chairman.
- Attended DAR Open House at Colonial House in Fair Park (Dallas, TX) in August.
- Attended Texas SAR District 11 Meeting in August in McKinney, TX.
- Attended South Central District SAR Meeting in Oklahoma City, OK as the SCD VPG's appointed Parliamentarian.
- Attended Texas SAR District 6 Meeting in September in Plano, TX.

- Attended the Dallas Area Regents Council (DARC) to represent Texas SAR and bring greetings on Constitution Day in Dallas, TX.

**Report on work with District Vice Presidents**

- Encouraged all District VPs to host a District meeting
- Attended Texas SAR District 11 Meeting in August in McKinney, TX.
- Attended Texas SAR District 6 Meeting in September in Plano, TX.
- Provided Chapter Summaries by District as of September 1 to all District VPs.

***Immediate Past-President - Thomas I. Jackson***

I want to thank the Texas SAR Chapters who extended invitations to Liz and I during my term 2018-2019 as your State President. It was nice to meet compatriots from around the state as I travelled over 19,000 miles and made 82 stops.

Starting as the Immediate Past President my pace slowed considerably. With Liz’s passing on July 4<sup>th</sup>, I cancelled my flight on July 5<sup>th</sup> to attend National Congress in California. I did forward to the Council of State Presidents Certificates of Appreciation for those who earned medals during my tenure and President General Alter assisted in the recognition. This was a first for the COSP. I also submitted my article for the COSP newsletter and loaded two power point presentations into share file that were requested by the COSP.

I attended South Central District in Oklahoma City where I was sworn in as Trustee for Texas and Larry Stevens was nominated by the SCD delegates to be the next SCD VPG.

I did not attend Fall Leadership in Louisville as tropical storm Imelda closed the Houston airport on Thursday (09.19.2019) and caused cancellation of flights on Friday (09.20.2019). My luggage was returned to me on Monday (09.23.2019). I did prepare a presentation on the Youth Protection Training prototype that is being considered.

In preparation for Fall Leadership I have prepared a list of officers who wish to be considered for reelection, those who wish to serve in a new capacity, and those who wish to resign.

Thinking outside the box and in cooperation with the local Chamber of Commerce I assist in the recognition of First Responders at each monthly meeting on behalf of the Chamber and separately on behalf of the SAR.

It has been my great pleasure and honor to serve you this past year and I look forward to continued service.

Detail of visits follow.

National Level		
August 23-24	Oklahoma City	South Central District mtg.
State Level		
12-Apr	Houston	Bernardo de Galvez book reading/signing
13-Apr	Houston	Paul Carrington Chapter mtg.

7-May	Plano	Plano Chapter mtg.
28-May	Sugarland	Alexander Hodge Chapter mtg.
14-Sep	Houston	Paul Carrington Chapter mtg.
24-Sep	Sugarland	Alexander Hodge Chapter mtg.
23-May	Cypress	DAR Elisha Roberts
27-May	Memorial Day - Austin Cemetery	
13-Jul	Tomball	DAR: Lori King's Father
Chapter Level		
8-May	Katy	Monthly mtg.
11-Sept	Katy	Monthly mtg.
13-Apr	Cypress	Cy Fair HS awards
18-Apr	Cypress	Cy Springs JROTC banquet/awards
24-Apr	Cypress	Langham Creek & Cypress Lakes awards
1-May	Houston	Cy Falls JROTC awards
2-May	Houston	Cy Ridge HS awards
22-May	Houston	Kahla MS including Betsy Ross & Ben
Franklin		
18-Apr	Bellaire	Pin Oak MS
Other		
21-May	Houston	First Responders
July	Houston	First Responders
August	Houston	First Responders
September	Houston	First Responders
17-May	Waller ISD	Enhance JROTC Scholarship 1st Place
20-May	Houston	Enhance JROTC Scholarship 2nd Place

### **Secretary - James R Clements, Jr.**

- Received and processed all new member packets from National – created new membership cards, etc. and forwarded to appropriate chapter within a week of receipt from National.
- Received and processed all supplemental packets from National and forwarded to appropriate chapter within a week of receipt from National.
- Received and processed all Reinstatements, Transfers (In/Out of Texas) and Reinstatement-Transfers (both), forwarding to National and Texas SAR as required.
- Update and publish online membership rosters on a regular basis several times each month.
- Worked with President Elect Drake Peddie to date and publish online Chapter Officers lists on a regular basis each month.
- Worked with President Elect Drake Peddie to complete reconciliation process with NSSAR in September.

- Worked with President Elect Drake Peddie to update and publish Chapter Membership summaries available for Texas SAR officers and District VPs that provided useful summary information on all Texas SAR Chapters.
- Established delegate credentials for all Texas SAR Compatriots attending the NSSAR Congress 08 June 2019. Then provided Voting Cards to the Delegates attending the 2019 Congress in Costa Mesa, CA.
- Created and printed certificates for upcoming Texas SAR BOM for medals and awards presented by State President David Temple – ordered additional medals and certificates from NSSAR Store as required.
- Provided list of deceased members for 2019 to State Chaplain and Convention host chapter.
- Continued to work on administrative and database process descriptions for State Secretary's Operations Guide for future state secretaries.
- **Current Membership Data (as of 1 September 2019)**
- Total Membership – 3,176
- New Members regular members) – 254 (31 more than last year)
- Active / Reinstated (Current Year & over one year) – 193
- Junior Members 29
- Emeritus Members – 14
- Deceased (Calendar year 2019 to date) 34 as of September 1, 2019
- Dropped (2019 non-renewals to date) – 335

### ***Communications Secretary - Sam Massey***

#### **Greater Houston Area Presidents Council**

The new group of chapter presidents and past chapter presidents came together for the DARs Houston Area Regency Council Flag Luncheon Saturday June 8th.

We reviewed a draft charter covering the purposes of awareness of information, sharing best practices, encouragement of all chapters/members, and of course the foundational objectives of SAR. Reinforcing that this group does not replace the functions or responsibilities of the Vice Presidents of division seven and eight. Governance will be the current presidents of the chapters with the group secretary and group chairman to be elected by the chapter presidents. Possible activities to include for this group are: common public events for the whole group with CAR, DAR, Scouts, ROTC, schools, universities, civic groups, churches, and government. Private events for SAR to promote best practices, future state and national events, leadership training and opportunities at the state and national level, increased chapter attendance between chapter events, and of course the general common fulfillment of all SAR members.

Upcoming plans: to include a conference call, chapter presidents meeting with meal, and a group event for all chapter members

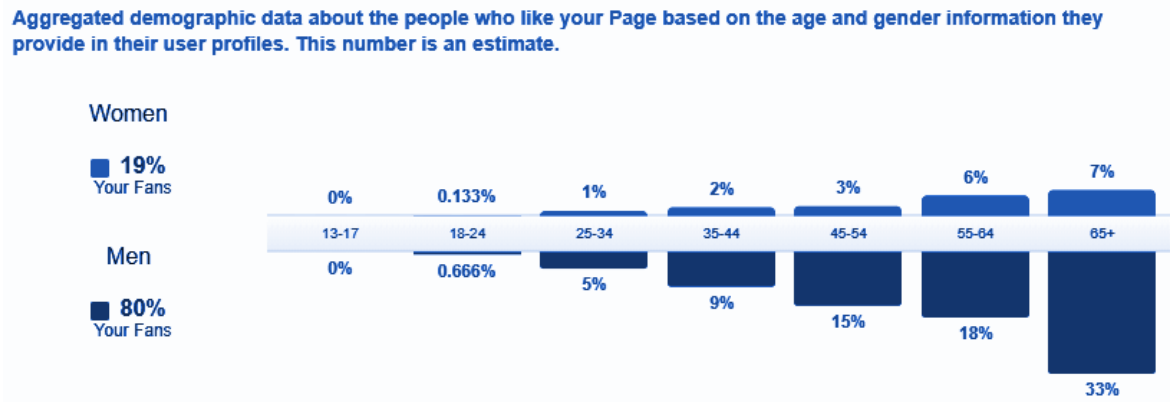
## Facebook - sharing Texas SAR

### Page stats

- **22Mar-to-16Sept:** 68 Likes, 8 Followers, 11 Posts, 2 Events, 5 Visitor posts
- **01Jun2014-to-16Sept2019 (Lifetime):** 751 Likes, 760 Followers, 8 Events

### Facebook fan analysis:

- **By Gender/Age**



- **By City**

City	Your Fans
Houston, TX	75
San Antonio, TX	28
Fort Worth, TX	25
Dallas, TX	23
Austin, TX	21
Arlington, TX	12
McKinney, TX	9
The Woodlands, TX	9
Lake Jackson, TX	8
Plano, TX	8
College Station, TX	8
Frisco, TX	8
Corpus Christi, TX	7
Amarillo, TX	7
Conroe, TX	7
Waco, TX	7
Tyler, TX	6
Lubbock, TX	5
Beaumont, TX	5
Carthage, TX	5
New Braunfels, TX	5
Sugar Land, TX	5
Bryan, TX	5
Spring, TX	4
Richardson, TX	4
Georgetown, TX	4
Mesquite, TX	4

Humble, TX	4
Magnolia, TX	4
Granbury, TX	4
Brazoria, TX	4
Flower Mound, TX	4
Bedford, TX	4
League City, TX	3
Pasadena, TX	3
Burnet, TX	3
Angleton, TX	3
Stephenville, TX	3
Melissa, TX	3
Katy, TX	3
Mineola, TX	3
Kerrville, TX	3
Lampasas, TX	3
Killeen, TX	3
Temple, TX	3

## Facebook Event stats:



**OCT 4** 2019 Fall Board of Managers Meeting  
Public · Hosted by Sons of the American Revolution Texas Society and Texas Society Arlington Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution

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🕒 Oct 4 at 12 PM – Oct 6 at 3 PM

📍 Hilton Arlington, Texas (Entertainment District)  
2401 E Lamar Blvd, Arlington, Texas 76006 [Show Map](#)

🗨 Hosted by Sons of the American Revolution Texas Society [Message Host](#)


🎫 Tickets [bssar.org](#) [Find Tickets](#)


**About** Discussion


**OCT 4** 2019 Fall Board of Managers Meeting  
Friday, October 4, 2019 at 12:00 PM

### Event Performance

Since Jun 13, 2019

  
**133**  
People Reached  
+0 last 7 days

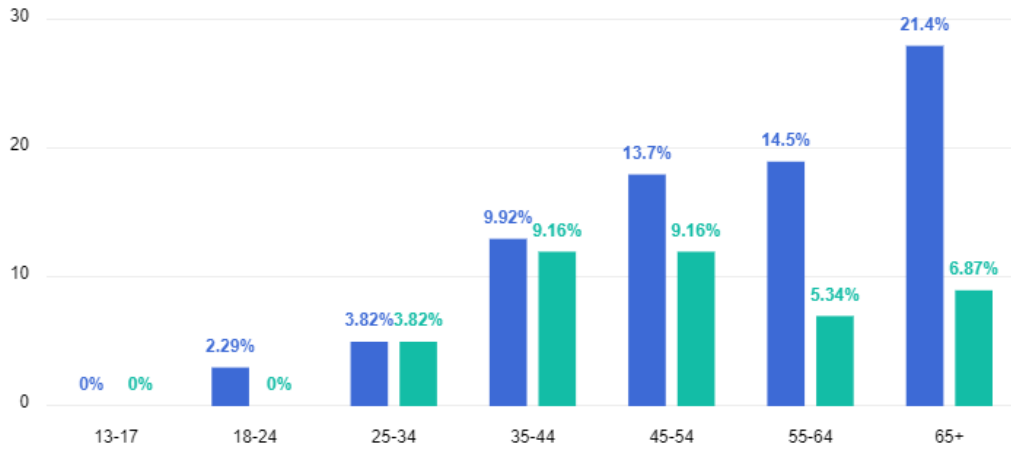
  
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Responses  
+0 last 7 days

  
**Track Ticket Sales**  
Let people easily get tickets or sign up for your event by including a link to tickets.  
[Add Ticket Link](#)

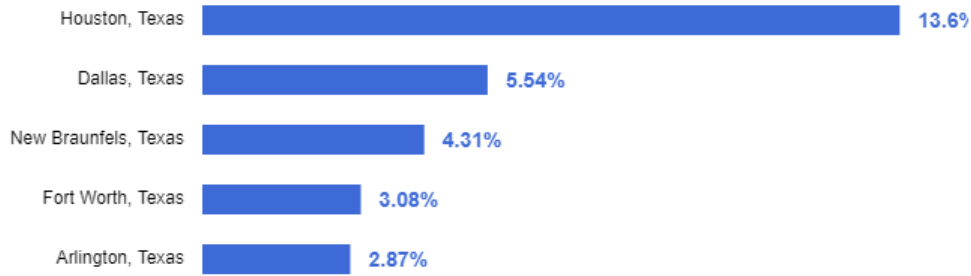


People reached ▾

66% Men 34% Women



People reached ▾



**Prospective new members**

**Connecting prospective members to chapters: 329 or 1.84 requests/day**

**6 via Texas SAR** from: forms@txssar.org RE: TXSSAR Joining Request Information

**323 via National SAR** from: no-reply@sar.org RE: Potential New Member Lead

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**Email messages from Texas SAR**

**Sent out DADA message emails on behalf of Texas SAR**

04 to Members with 2956 email addresses

03 to Color Guard list with 166 email addresses  
12 to Chapter Presidents with 184 email addresses  
04 to Board of Managers with 57 email addresses  
02 to Chapter Registrars and Genealogists with 77 email addresses  
# to State Committee Chairmen with # email addresses  
00 to Ladies Auxillary with 126 email addresses  
# to State Officers with # email addresses  
# to only District VPs with # email addresses  
00 to only Executive Committee with # email addresses  
# to only Past Texas State Presidents with # email addresses

### **DADA guideline**

DADA email lists are maintained by the Communications Secretary. Permission for inclusion on DADA private email lists is implied by your acceptance of office and is therefore automatic for the Executive Committee, State Officers, District VP's, Chapter Presidents, BOM, Chapter Registrars, and State Committee Chairs, Past Texas Presidents. Inclusion is voluntary for Members, Ladies Auxiliary, Color Guard lists.

These are the DADA lists and those who can approve messages to be sent:

1. Executive Committee - President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
2. Members\* - President
3. State Officers - President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
4. District VPs - President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
5. Chapter Presidents - President, Council of Chapter Presidents Chairman
6. BOM - President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
7. Chapter Registrars – President, Secretary, Staff Secretary, Coastal and Inland Registrars
8. State Committee Chairs - President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
9. Ladies Auxiliary\* – Ladies Auxiliary President
10. Color Guard\* – Color Guard Commander
11. Past Texas Presidents - President

DADA email messages are sent out by the Communications Secretary only.

Replies to DADA email messages only go to the Communications Secretary, so do not reply to DADA messages.

Message authors should prepare their messages with all Draft message requirements, links and attachments, and submit them to the correct approvers, copying the Communications Secretary. Approvers need to check the message for policy alignment with Texas SAR.

The Communications Secretary has editorial license to clarify and correct messages.

Draft message requirements:

1. Subject line

2. Draft message
3. Authors name
4. Authors SAR title
5. Authors email address and/or phone number

***Staff Secretary - Jim Kuykendall***

- Minutes are posted on web site from Annual Meeting in April, 2019
- Call was made via DaDa email system for Officer Reports in August and September 2019.
- Officer Reports received before the posting date were posted to the TXSSAR website.
- Call was made via DaDa email system for Committee Reports in August and September 2019.
- Committee Reports received before posting date were posted to TXSSAR website.
- Call was made via DaDa email system for Officer and Committee Chairmen to report their room needs for the Board of Managers Meeting in October 2019.
- Room assignments have been made for 2019 BOM.
- Scripts and agendas prepared for BOM.

***Treasurer - Nicholas B. Gilliam***

**No report**

***Registrar (Coastal Group) - Jack A. Muggli***

<b>Registrar (Coastal Group)</b>				
<b>Jack A. Muggli</b>				
MAR 30, 2019 THRU SEP 18, 2019				
Chapter	Chapter #	New Applications	Supplementals	DAR Finder Forms
Bernardo de Galvez	1	4	0	3
Dallas	2	1	0	1
San Antonio	4	14	11	6
Paul Carrington	5	24	3	5
Col. Turner Sharp	9	0	0	0
Patrick Henry	11	11	0	6
Corpus Christi	14	1	0	1

Big Country	16	0	0	0
Major White	17	0	0	0
Paul Revere	19	0	0	0
Heart of Texas	26	0	0	0
Lt. Nathan Gann	28	2	0	2
Hill Country	31	6	2	0
Waco	32	0	0	0
Cradle of Texas	33	7	0	6
Freedom	34	1	1	1
William Hightower	35	2	1	0
Freedom	38	3	1	1
Independence (1 expedited)	40	9	0	9
Bluebonnet	41	0	0	0
Liberty	42	2	0	1
Brazos Valley	45	0	0	0
Alexander Hodge	49	10	0	7
Victoria	50	0	0	0
Piney Woods (1 memorial)	51	3	1	4
Athens	54	3	0	0
Live Oak	55	0	0	0
Laredo	61	0	0	0
Robert Rankin	62	2	5	2
Boerne	64	0	0	0
Alexander Hamilton	66	9	1	9
Total received:		114	26	64
Transmitted to National:		104	24	
Awaiting Chapter Response		8	2	
Coastal Registrar Review		2	0	
Transmitted Approved:		65	0	
Pended to Date:		5	0	

**Registrar (Inland Group) - Jerry Brown**  
No report

***Chancellor - Tracy A. Pounders***

No report

***Chaplain - Rev. Frank Pounders***

No report

***Historian - John Anderson***

As the new Society Historian and following up on the “Prominent Members” discussion held last April in Austin, a pilot program was initiated to better learn and record who our members are. The purpose is to capture and record data related to our membership and retain the data for historical purposes and make it available for a future Texas SAR History Book, Volume III. The Texas SAR Dist. 5, 6, 10, 11 V.P.s and chapters agreed and are striving to include a member questionnaire in new member packets along with their chapter president’s welcome letter. The questionnaire has been drafted and distributed to those chapter registrars and Dist.

V.P.s. Current members will be encouraged to participate. The older members data may already be available in the History volume II, but updates are sought.

As Historian, I’m attempting to visit local area chapters and present a program titled The Importance of Capturing Chapter Data. It has three parts; Member Questionnaire, Importance of Chapter Historians, and Easy UNT Archive Process.

A lively discussion is anticipated at the next BOM Historian Committee meeting. Attempts will be made to:

- Finalize the questionnaire version and offer motions to roll it out state wide.
- Develop a public/private policy for the UNT online archives. Specifically, documents containing member addresses, email URLs, and phone numbers require a discussion to identify a simple redact policy.

I’m excited to report the UNT Library Archives Special Collections Director, Morgan Gieringer, will present a program at the next BOM. She will give an overview of the onsite and online archives and give a demonstration of the online search and document retrieval process.

***Vice President, CM&A - John M. Hamlin***

Vice President Americanism, Contests, Medals, & Awards

CONTEST – The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. There were six entries in this contest from around the state. The winner was Jose Romero of the Capt. William Bryant #25 Chapter in Tyler, Texas. The Knight Essay Contest had a total of twelve entries from different chapters. The winner was Katherine Hill from the Piney Woods Chapter. Her essay was titled “Determination Established A Nation”. The Poster contest was won by Nicholas Runte the Sponsoring Chapter was the Athens Chapter #54. The Middle School Brochure Contest Award 1<sup>st</sup> Place winner was Lakayia Stalling, Sponsoring Chapter was the Freedom Chapter #38 in Conroe.

In the Eagle Scout Essay Contest. The winner was Trevor Darryl Burke of the Dallas Chapter. The Tom Lawrence History Teacher Award went to Ms. Shareefah Mason from New Tech High School in Dallas. The JROTC winner was Cadet William Capt from Waller High School. Cadet Behrend is sponsored by the Robert Rankin Chapter. There were only two entries from the state In the JROTC Contest. Finally, the C.A.R. Essay winner was Charles Jacob Hudson Sponsoring Chapter was the Heart of Texas Chapter.

Final total of participation for the state SAR is improving with more chapters getting involved. All state chapters should be pushing all of our contests at every opportunity. Texas SAR is looking for new Committee Chairman for Oration committee.

The attached letter and attachment were sent out to over 50 schools and school districts showing what the TexasSAR had to offer in contests and Scholarships. (see attachment)

**MEDALS:** At the October BOM the membership voted to approve a committee to design a 125th Anniversary medal. Members on the committee are John Hamlin, Chairman Tom Whitelock, former state Presidents David Peterson, Mike Radcliff, Dr. Robert Cohen, Former PG Tom Lawrence, PG Nathan White and Bill Marrs. This committee will meet at the BOM in Arlington in October 2019 to present the design of the medal.

**AWARDS:** The Americanism Committee will be studying a proposal to have a Chapter Website Contest added to our Contests to go along with the Shipman Newsletter and the Chapter Yearbook Contests. This will be discussed at the BOM in Arlington in October.

Since the State meeting in April I have visited with the following chapters: Cradle of Texas Chapter

Freedom Chapter and the Bernardo de Galvez Chapter.

### ***Vice President, District 1 - Larry D. Spradlin***

No report

### ***Vice President, District 2 - Ben Pollard***

District 2 Chapters:

Chapter 10 Panhandle Plains Amarillo

Chapter 15 Texas Tech Lubbock

The Panhandle Plains Chapter presented Bronze ROTC Awards to Hereford High School in Hereford, TX, and to Tascosa, and Caprock High Schools in Amarillo, TX. Ben Pollard, George West and Chuck Hartline provided a Cannon Volley at Llano Cemetery's Memorial Day Ceremony on May 28th along with the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

The Panhandle Plains Chapter Held a Joint Luncheon with the local DAR Chapters for Constitution week on September 21rd.

The Texas Tech Chapter presented 2 Silver ROTC and 3 Bronze ROTC Medals.  
The Texas Tech Chapter held a joint meeting with the DAR on Sep 18th in Lubbock, TX

### ***Vice President, District 3 - Al Gibson***

There are 4 Chapters in TXSSAR District 3

San Antonio #4

Hill Country #31 (Kerrville)

William High Tower #35 (New Braunfels)

Boerne #64

The Chapters do not hold Chapter Meetings during the summer months, but do re-convene their monthly meetings in the fall beginning in September through May or June with some off for December.

All Chapters are active and provide various programs at their meetings for their members.

Chapter Activities: I did not get to visit San Antonio or Boerne as yet but plan to before the spring report and 2020 State Conference.

I attended the Hill Country Luncheon on Sept. 10 as well as the Executive meeting on Sept. 12 and the William Hightower evening meeting on Sept 12 .

• **Wm. Hightower Chapter:** President Steve Polk is providing good leadership to the Chapter. They meet at a local barbeque restaurant and members begin showing up at 6:00 PM on the 2nd Thursday of the month. From 6-7 they eat and socialize. Each person attending orders their own meal at the counter. The restaurant has a private room in the back that they use. Their President and others set up the room for the meeting which begins at 7:00. The US, Texas & SAR flags are set up flanking both sides behind the podium. There were some members in uniform. They conduct the US, Texas and SAR pledges and the invocation prayer. At this meeting they also performed the "Broken Arrow" Ceremony for Everett Delashmutt, (one of their members who had recently passed). It is quite an impressive ceremony with the reading of the persons full life story in detail.

Also at this meeting was a brief review of the revolutionary Battle of Eutaw Springs in the Carolinas and its somewhat humorous ending by the Chapter Historian, and the short talk on an ancestor's biography by one of the members. There was a brief business meeting to inform all attendees on the chapter status and upcoming events. SAR President David Temple gave a talk on the various currencies issued and used during the war of independence and the struggle of Robert Morris to provide funds and supplies for the continental forces. By the end of the war Robert Morris had used all of his personal fortune in this endeavor and was completely without any money of his own.

The Chapter actively participates in the following SAR Programs: Color Guard Events; Veteran Programs, Genealogy, Support for Our Active Duty Military Programs, J.R.O.T.C. Awards,

Veterans Projects, Recognition of Good Citizenship & Acts of Heroism, and Awards for Outstanding Police and Firemen with emphasis on recruiting new members.

- Hill Country Chapter: President Robert Smith is providing good leadership through his Executive Committee. As I am a member and past President of this chapter I attend monthly meetings and Executive Board meetings that are held on each Thursday following the Tuesday Luncheons. The Chapter holds meetings eight months of the year and are off during the months of June, July, August and December.

They meet at a local restaurant, The Rails Annex at 11:30-1:30 on the second Tuesday of the month. They have speakers at each monthly meeting usually from outside the organization to speak on topics that may be related to the History, Education and Patriotism related to the Revolutionary War, our Founding Documents and their relevance today's culture and events. They also hold a "Summer Social" in late June or July where no SAR business is conducted. This is so the members can bring their families for a social gathering separate from SAR formal meetings. The Chapter is actively participating in the following SAR Programs: Color Guard Events, Americanism Poster Contest; BSA Eagle Scout; Scholarship Contest; Essay Contest; Oration Contest; ROTC/JROTC; Veteran Programs; and Genealogy. The Chapter is routinely involved with the local DAR Chapters and provides Color Guards at some of their meetings.

***Vice President, District 4 - Ronald J. (Ron) Walcik***

***Vice President, District 5 - Bob Mearns***

No report

***Vice President, District 6 - Gary W. Lovell***

Chapter#	Name	Location	Current President
2	Dallas	Dallas	Thomas Van Fossen
37	Plano	Plano	Nick Gilliam
47	East Fork-Trinity	Garland/Rockwall	Robert Vickers

**Dallas Chapter #2**

The Dallas Chapter meets at the Presbyterian Village North Retirement Community, 8600 Skyline Dr. on the second Saturday at 8:30 AM. They have just celebrated their 90th anniversary.

The Dallas tradition continues with community and youth awards: First Responders (Law-EMS-Fire), Essay Contest, Poster Contest; Oration Contest; and Veterans Affairs. The Chapter also contributes financially to several community events, including the Jane Douglas Chapter, DAR.



Dallas Chapter Historian, Joseph A. Slonaker, now publishes chapter meetings in total on YouTube...in addition to the editing the Yearbook.

Texas SAR (2018) - Membership Roster by Chapter, dated February 2019, shows Dallas with 201 active/current members. Active /New Members for this year are 15. Membership Roster by Chapter, dated September 1, 2019, shows an active/current membership total of 204.

#### Plano Chapter #37

The Plano Chapter meets at the Outback Steak House in Plano on the first Tuesday at 7:00 PM. Meetings are well attended by members and spouses. Plano also is very active in Youth Award Programs, and Veteran support programs.

Plans are being made for the 2021 State Convention. Plano and East Fork-Trinity will be co-sponsors. Location is the Hyatt Regency 701 East Campbell Road, Richardson Texas, 75081.

Texas SAR (2018) - Membership Roster by Chapter, dated February 2019, shows Plano with 113 active/current members. Active /New Members for this year are 16. Membership Roster by Chapter, dated September 1, 2019, shows an active/current membership total of 118.

#### East Fork-Trinity Chapter #47

The East Fork-Trinity Chapter meets the Second Thursday at 7:00 PM at Siciliano's 2210 W Buckingham, Garland.

EFT Registrar, David Powell, maintains a complete listing and status of chapter applications. These are published in the EFT Monthly Newsletter.

Texas SAR (2018) - Membership Roster by Chapter, dated February 2019, shows East Fork-Trinity with 47 active/current members. Active /New Members for this year are 7. Membership Roster by Chapter, dated September 1, 2019, shows an active/current membership total of 57.

Annual support of DAR, Jane Douglas Chapter, continues with SAR Compatriots lining up to volunteer for duty at the DAR Continental House during the 2019 Texas State Fair. This joint effort has in past years generated hundreds of perspective members for the SAR and DAR.

The Jane Douglas Chapter has invited the SAR during State Fair to their Continental House for the purpose of public relations and recruitment since the 1980s. We have always gratefully accepted the invitation.

The Continental House constantly needs maintenance. At the 2019 State Convention DAR Liaison Tom Green brought from Committee a motion to contribute \$1000.00 for building maintenance to the Jane Douglas Chapter. The motion was approved on the Convention Floor and the donation has been made. (See photo taken at the Continental House)

It is my hope that this level of support can increase in the future, or at a minimum be continued. While this event is located in North Texas, the entire Texas Society benefits from this public exposure. The State Fair of Texas is attended by Texans from all over the State...even some non-Texans from out of state attend.

I must again report that all three District 6 Chapters share the member retention problem. We get a good number of prospects each year. We have excellent Chapter Registrars, there is a constant stream of applications approved. Since January Dallas has received 18, Plano has received 23, and East Fork-Trinity has received 14 referrals via DADA alone. When we compare year ending numbers we find our membership has always increased by a smaller number than the number of inductions.



President Van Fossen and the Dallas Chapter are constructing a mentoring program designed to encourage new members to become active participants. When the mentoring program is ready for prime time, they have agreed to share it with the District.

This hopefully will help with our member retention issues.

After examination of the Public Service and Heroism Commendations booklet, published at the 129th Congress last July in Costa Mesa, California, I am forced to admit that many District 6 Commendations were not credited to the Chapters.

This is due to the difficulty and misunderstanding of reporting requirements. Efforts are being made to improve our reporting skills.

The form needed is found on the NSSAR web site.

Getting these commendations correctly reported is an area where District 6 can and will show improvement.

## Summary

I am able to attend most of the District 6 Chapter meetings. Meetings are well attended, well organized and efficiently run with interesting speakers. Committee reports on past and upcoming events maintain interest and activity.

The three District 6 Chapters maintain updated websites. Dallas and East Fork-Trinity publish monthly newsletters and Plano has a Facebook page. Dallas, Plano and East Fork-Trinity have active Color Guards. Many chapter level events occur monthly with standing invitations for all SAR to attend. There is great Color Guard cooperation between all Chapters and Districts. The interest and activity levels in District 6 are great. Hopefully our future reporting will be improved.

The fifth annual District 6 meeting was held September 14, in Plano. We had six State Officers, three Chapter Presidents and numerous Compatriots in attendance. The meeting lasted about 3 hours and many issues were discussed. Chapter Presidents Van Fossen, Gilliam, and Vickers each discussed the "State of their Chapters". The spirit of cooperation is alive and well!

District 6 has some issues, but we have competent Compatriots working on these issues. District 6 is solid.

### ***Vice President, District 7 - Ronald W. Brown, P. E.***

No report

### ***Vice President, District 8 - H. Allen Green II***

No report

### ***Vice President, District 9 - Art Munford***

No report

### ***Vice President, District 10 - William Sekel***

April 4, 2019 attended the East Texas Chapter meeting in Longview.

April 5 – 7, 2019 attended the TX SAR Conference in Austin.

May 9, 2019 attended the Fredonia Chapter Meeting in Nacogdoches.

May 16, 2019 attended the Lieutenant Nathan Gann Chapter meeting in Lufkin.

May 18, 2019 represented the SAR in Corsicana Armed Forces Day Parade.

May 20, 2019 attended the Athens Chapter 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary meeting in Athens.

May 23, 2019 represented the SAR at Tyler Pounds Regional Airport for an Honor Flight of WWII and Korean Veterans.

May 28, 2019 attended the Captain William Barron Chapter meeting in Tyler.

July 23, 2019 attended the Captain William Barron Chapter meeting in Tyler.

Aug 1, 2019 attended the East Texas Chapter meeting in Longview.

September 12, 2019 attended the Athens Chapter meeting in Athens.

September 26, 2019 attended the Lieutenant Nathan Gann Chapter meeting in Lufkin.

District 10 is comprised of the following Chapters:

Captain William Barron in Tyler #25, Lieutenant Nathan Gann Chapter in Lufkin #28, Athens Chapter in Athens #54, East Texas Chapter in Longview #57 and the Fredonia Chapter in Nacogdoches #58.

1. Captain William Barron Chapter #25 in Tyler.

The Captain William Barron Chapter continues to grow and inducts new members at almost every meeting, it is the largest Chapter in the District. Their Youth programs have been a huge success with many students participating in oration, poster and essay contests. This year's oration contestant won at the State Level and competed at the National Congress. The Chapter meets the fourth Tuesday of every odd month at Tradition's Restaurant on South Broadway.

2. Lt. Nathan Gann Chapter #28 in Lufkin.

The Lt. Nathan Gann Chapter is maintaining their membership. However, their Chapter is being run by two of its officers and there seems to be a lack of interest to hold meetings due to lack of participation. I have assisted with several of their administrative functions to reduce the burden.

3. The Athens Chapter #54 in Athens.

The Athens Chapter is a very important part of the Athens community. For many years the chapter has awarded and recognized students and public officials throughout the Athens area. Their poster contest candidate won at the State level and competed at the National Congress. The Chapter meets on the second Thursday in January, March, September and November.

4. East Texas Chapter #57 in Longview.

The East Texas Chapter continues their program to actively recruit new members and to retain current members. The Chapter works closely with the local DAR

Chapter to recognize local public officials for their service to the community. The Chapter meets on the first Thursday of every even month.

5. Fredonia Chapter #58 in Nacogdoches.

The Fredonia Chapter has taken an aggressive approach to increase their membership and to retain current members. Following my advice they have started to think outside the box and to reconnect with programs that should bring them some publicity while fulfilling the goals of the Society. They meet on the second Thursday of March, May, September and November.

***Vice President, District 11 - Ted Wilson***

District 11 is comprised of the following chapters: Denton #23 in Denton, Edmund Terrill #34 in Sherman, Ambassador Warren Fletcher #43 in Greenville, McKinney #63 in McKinney and Red River Valley #65 in Paris. Recruiting and retention of members is a major concern for each of the chapters. So the growth of membership has been an ongoing issue with all the chapters. Retention is an issue facing many chapters and with a help from other chapters we hope to make a dent in the losses.

The Denton Chapter #23 has not meet in 2019 at this time. They have 17 active members on roll with the last one becoming a member in 2019. There are three applications in review at National. New tri-folds have been placed in the library in the community. We are attempting to contact the members for a time and place to meet and go over officers duties. The chapter continues to be active in presenting 7 ROTC Metals and Flag Certificates. However, with the chapter not having scheduled meetings retention of membership is difficult.

Edmund Terrill #34 lost members due to their transfer to the new Quanah Parker Chapter in Vernon, TX. The chapter has continued to increase its numbers in membership. It is active in the community providing Color Guard and working with the DAR. That number has now been increased by two. New tri-folds were created for the chapter and placed in the libraries. The chapter has lost three of its members due to death so far this year; two of which were long time members.

John J. Cole, Jr. National#208424, TX#13663 on May 5, 2019

Judge Lloyd W. Perkins National#124122, TX#5213 on May 5, 2019 (Long time member).

William J. Woods National#112774, TX#4261 on August 1, 2019 (Charter member and Secretary/Treasurer).

Ambassador Warren Fletcher #43 has not held a meeting in 2019. We are working with those listed as officers to get this accomplished. John Greer and myself have

meet with the local Lion Club in Greenville, where some are members. We presented Vietnam Metals to those who served and spoke about getting the chapter active again. We have reached out to the DAR chapter and set a date to speak and request their help. Through a grave marking with the War of 1812 Society in Sulpher Springs, I was able to make contact with the Sulpher Springs genealogy group. In both libraries new tri-folds have been placed.

McKinney #63 has continued to grow and holds monthly meetings. It has a good mentor in its membership. It works well with the local DAR chapter and joined them in their gatherings the last being the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade there. There is a need to increase their Color Guard numbers.

Red River valley #65 meets on even number months. Their current President has had some health problems but is slowly improving. Their membership has grown.

***Trustee - Thomas Jackson***

No report

***Alternate Trustee - John C. Beard***

No report

***Editor, Compatriot - Jim Dougherty***

No report

***Webmaster - Ray Cox / John Anderson***

Ray Cox, Web Admin, has continuously performed normal Texas SAR website maintenance on both the public and private websites. He says the only web issue that is current to his knowledge is he is seeking a new search engine that will better work with secure sites (https). The current does not play well with secure sites. His search was interrupted with the events of the past few weeks but will resume shortly.