TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MCKINNEY CHAPTER #63 MCKINNEY, TEXAS JANUARY 08, 2009 MEETING MINUTES

President Milton Lentz opened the meeting at 7:15 PM

Don Sielert gave the invocation.

The pledge of the American Flag was given by Marshall Battle.

The pledge of the Texas Flag was given by **Jim Edenburn**.

The pledge to the SAR Flag was given by **Robert Hall.**

Reading of the minutes from the previous meeting was waived by acclamation.

Secretary-Treasury gave the treasurer report, reporting that the bank balance was **\$1,472.42.**

The program was originally scheduled to be given by TXSSAR President Harry Fife, but due to scheduling conflicts he was not able to be at this meeting. Our own Nathan White took over and gave us an update on the status of SAR. At the present time SAR has 27,000 members (National) and 2,500 within the state of Texas. There are 50 chapters in Texas. We were briefed on the upcoming board meeting of the SAR concerning Life Memberships, Dues, and the direction that SAR is going take concerning the build out of the building that has been purchased for the SAR home offices.

Next on the program was the installation of the 2009 officers. The following members will be serving for the year 2009. **President: Donald Babbs**, **Vice-President: Willie Walker, Vice-President: Pete McLellan**, **Secretary-Treasurer: Billy Thompson, Chaplain: Don Sielert**, **Registrar/Historian: Willie Walker, Sergeant At Arms: Ernest Martin**, **Webmaster: Cecil Coale.** A discussion was conducted concerning a future meeting place. A survey memo is going to be e-mailed by Pete McLellan asking for each member's suggestions concerning the Country Club & Rick Chop House. A board meeting will be held as soon as the surveys are received back so that a decision may be made concerning the location of the February meeting.

President-Elect Donald Babbs made a presentation of the Good Citizenship Award to **Dr. Pam Egner of Van Alystne.** This recommendation was made by **Past President Milton Lentz**. Dr. Egner did her Internship at the VA Hospital and then worked there for a number of years before going into private practice. She had performed dental work for a veteran upon the recommendation of **Past-President Lentz.**

President-Elect Donald Babbs presented **Past President Milton Lentz** with his Past-President's Pin. The Lentz's will be leaving the first of February for a one (1) year tour of the United States. Upon returning in 2010, they will be re-locating to the Temple, Texas area. All of the members are going to miss this great couple. They have done an excellent job of providing the chapter with the proper leadership during 2008.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Don Sielert.

The Recessional was given by **President Donald Babbs.**

The following members and guests were present: Don & Donna Babbs, Marshall & Sylvia Battle, Marshall & Robin Battle, Jr., Jim Edenburn, Jr., Robert Hall, Milton & Jerri Lentz, Carroll Maxwell, Pete & Dagny McLellan, Don & Ann Sielert, Ron & Diana Smith, Tyson Thill, Billy & Kathleen Thompson, Willie & Marilyn Walker, Nathan & Wanda White, Ron & Diana Egner.