

**TXSSAR Arlington Chapter No. 7
Southern Recipes Grill, Arlington, TX
Meeting Minutes for June 10, 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 9:20 a.m.
- II. Invocation** – By Chaplain Bob Wehr
- III. Pledges** – Compatriot Gary Faletti 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 was acknowledged although he was absent on CAR business and David Friels – 2014.
- V. Guest Introductions by President Anderson** – Jerry and Marshall Cope’s family: Gloria, Emily, & Brady Cope; Applicants: Dan Jones & Robert Pope; Compatriot William Watts, Commander North Texas Color Guard and his wife Laura.
- VI. Comment of the Day** – **Compatriot Dick Lee** called our attention to a handout he provided regarding WWII Veterans and the National WWII Museum in New Orleans. He then closed with a light hearted story.
- VII. This Month During the American Revolution** – **Historian Mike Hutchins** called our attention to three very important events that occurred in different years during the month of June during the Revolutionary War Period.
- VIII. TX SAR District 5 Vice President Ron Carter Remarks:** Compatriot Carter was absent due to his participating in a CAR event at Waco.
- IX. New Member Induction:** President Anderson inducted **Junior Member Brady Marshall Cope II** (Marshall). His parents Emily and Brady Cope, and grandparents Compatriot Jerry Cope and Gloria were present to assist and honor Marshall. Marshall informed us that his Patriot is John McKinney Jr. who, at age 14, joined the Camden Dist. Regiment of the South Carolina Militia and at age 15 took part in the Battle of Fort Moultrie. After Marshall’s induction, N. TX Color Guard Commander William Watts made the following Color Guard presentations:
 - **Adjutant Jerry Cope** – Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in the North Texas Command
 - **Brady Marshall Cope II** – Bernado de Galvez Bronze Color Guard Medal and Certificate for Outstanding Participation and Service to the N. Texas Color Guard. Marshall was also awarded the rank of Fifer in the Color Guard and given his fife.
- X. Special Recognitions by Chapter President John Anderson:**
 - **Compatriot Wally Penny** was awarded the Military Service Medal.
 - **Compatriots Richard Coffey, Roger Wehr, and David Friels** were each presented a Certificate of Appreciation for out standing chapter support for ideas and efforts to enroll our chapter in three different community awards programs. Our chapter has received over \$200 so far this year from the various programs.
- XI. Chapter Business – President John Anderson Presiding:**
 - The SAR Magazine (page 38) notes NSAR membership is 33,340 and Texas has a total of 101 new members since the previous magazine issue.

- **Approval of last meeting's minutes:** The minutes as posted on the website and passed out during the meeting for review were approved.
- **Officer and Committee Reports:**
 - **Vice President Roger Wehr** – ROTC/JROTC Award presentations are complete and presentations were successful (as they have been in previous years). Also, Roger noted that we have averaged one new member per month.
 - **Treasurer Dennis Walton** – Compatriot Walton was absent due to family commitments, but his report indicated a total bottom line balance was \$2,873.93. Our chapter is slightly below projected income, but is also below projected expenses.
 - **Registrar Kevin Jorrey** – Compatriot Jorrey was absent due to family health issues. Status of Applications: Compatriots John Pinkerton and Robert Browning applications have been approved. Frank Dawson and Jeff Meller have applications are at State or in progress to National. Compatriot Jerry Cope's supplemental application has been approved. Applications for Robert Pope, Dan Jones, David Lafuze, Wade Tolman, John Miller, James (Ray) Wood, Stephen Lushbaugh, and Johnathan Husch are in progress.
 - **Historian Mike Hutchins** – No report
 - **Chaplain Bob Wehr** – No report
 - **Eagle Scout – Compatriot Faletti** reported that he is making a strong effort to have our brochures made available to eagle scouts within the district.
 - **Youth Awards Programs**
President Anderson commented that we will make a strong effort to generate more youth participation for next fall.
 - **Web Administrator John Anderson** – Members were thanked for signing forms and returning them to John. Google Drive is up and running and has replaced drop box.
 - **Speakers Bureau, Bill Covington Chair** – Bill was not at the meeting since he was making a presentation to the “Dames and Barons of the Magna Charta,” but reported the following presentations for May:
May 6 – Bosque River Valley Chapter of the NSDAR, Meridian, TX. “Bad Girls of the American Revolution.”
May 20 – Major K.M. Van Zandt Chapter of the NSSAR, Fort Worth, TX. “British & Continental Troops: Similarities and Differences.”
 - **Compatriot James Gibson: March 11**, Heart of Texas NSSAR Chapter, Temple, TX. “Early American Militia.”
- **Old Business**
 - Plans for Arlington Firefighter of the Year have not been completed since Arlington supervisory staff does not respond.
 - There appears to be no interest within the Mansfield Public Safety Department for SAR to recognize Police, Fireman, or EMT Serviceman.
 - Youth Protection Training (YPT) – Will be conducted by Compatriot Faletti after the meeting is closed and will commence about 10:45 AM. Several Compatriots from Fort Worth will also attend.

- **New Business**

- Educational Outreach Goals – Chapters with 41 to 80 members are challenged to have 4 new programs. Arlington presently has more than 4 programs so we should concentrate on making the current programs as effective as practicable.
- Name Tags will be provided for new Compatriots Allan Husch and John Pinkerton.
- June Birthdays – Compatriots Wally Penny, Don Billings, Bob Wehr, and Gary Faletti.

XII. North Texas Color Guard Activities - Color Guard Adjutant, Lieutenant Jerry Cope

- May 5 – Presented medal and certificate to the JROTC Outstanding Cadet for Mansfield Legacy High School.
- May 7 - Posted the Colors for a ceremony “Honoring our past with DAR” at Middleton Tate Johnson Plantation Cemetery, Arlington, TX. Event was sponsored by the Lucretia Council Cochran Chapter NSDAR.
- May 11 - Presented a medal and certificate to the JROTC Outstanding Cadet for Arlington ISD High School, Arlington, TX. Accompanied by John Anderson (not in uniform).
- May 17 – Presented a medal and certificate to the JROTC Outstanding Cadet for Mansfield Lake Ridge High School, Mansfield, TX. Accompanied by David Friels (not in uniform).
- May 29 – Marched in the Memorial Day Parade at Roundrock Rd., Dallas, TX. Accompanied by Marshall Cope also in uniform.

XIII. Announcements

- Various announcements and upcoming events were provided on reverse side of the agenda.

XIV. Motion to Adjourn

XV. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the benediction.

XVI. SAR Recessional/ Closing Admonition

XVII. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:35 am.

XVIII. Attendance Summary:

15 members and 7 guests were present for the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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