

Texas SAR Arlington Chapter Meeting Minutes March 11, 2023

The March 11, 2023, meeting was held at Southern Recipes Grill, 2715 N. Collins Street, Arlington, Texas. Members and guests gathered at 08:30 am for fellowship and breakfast.

- I. President Dan Hamilton welcomed attendees and open the meeting for Chapter business at 9:00 am.
- II. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the invocation.
- III. Sergeant-at-arms Richard Martin led the pledges to the U.S. Flag, the Texas Flag, and the Sons of the American Revolution Flag.
- IV. President Dan Hamilton recognized Past Chapter Presidents and greeted our applicants and guest, Brenda Ashford.
- V. Officer and Committee Reports
 - A. Treasurer Richard Coffey provided and update on the Chapter bank account bottom line balance (BLB). The Beginning Balance as of March 10, 2023, was \$3689.51.
 - B. Secretary Bill Goodman reminded the Chapter that the minutes from the February meeting have been posted on the Chapter website. The floor was opened for comments on the minutes. There being no comments, Compatriot John Anderson moved that the minutes be accepted as posted, the motion was seconded by Compatriot James Gibson, and approved by the Chapter.
 - C. Compatriot Joe Kohn announced that he is working on 6 new member applications.
 - D. Compatriot John Anderson reminded all present of the Texas State Conference for March 31 through April 2, 2023, in Woodlands, Texas. Reservations are closing soon.
 - . The next Texas SAR Archives/History/Yearbook committee will be March 15, 2023, at 6.30 pm.
 - . There are several interesting projects, including the grave marking for James Lemmon on March 19, 2023, at 3.00 pm.
 - . James Lemmon was an American Revolution Patriot at the age of 12! Toward the end of the war, James enlisted in the Continental Army as a private and served until the end of the war. He also served in the War of 1812. As a Citizen of the Republic of Texas, he again served his country. James died on July 4, 1858, and is buried in Edgewood cemetery in Lancaster, Texas.
 - . The Chapter ended 2022 with 80 members, including 6 Juniors. At present, we have 62 paid active members; one deceased, Rod Ashford; 6 Juniors; 12 Not renewed members; 3 new members to induct today, Chuck Andrews, Brandon Andrews, and Evan Morgan.
 - . Newly approved member, Allen Vaughn is awaiting his papers.
 - . J. Damon Fehler, resides in Midlothian transferred from the Heart of Texas Chapter.
 - . Arlington Police and EMT Servicemen of the Year will be presented Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at the Ott Cribbs Public Safety Center.
 - . The Medal of Honor Parade is April 22, 2023. See Color Guard Commander Dan Hamilton for details.
 - E. David Friels reported on the ROTC and JROTC. David requested our members volunteer to attend the individual school's Award presentations.

VI. New Business

- A. President Dan Hamilton presented the Service award to: Roger Cobb 5 years; Frank Dawson 5 years; Kevin Jorrey 10 years; Bill Covington 10 years.
- B. President Dan Hamilton requested that Bill Covington be nominated for the Patriot Award Medal. Compatriot John Anderson motioned, and Compatriot Richard Coffey seconded the motion. The Chapter Members approved.

- C. The 2023 Officers were installed by Texas SAR Dist. 5 V.P. Ron Turner:
 - A. Dan Hamilton President
 - B. Joe Kohn Vice President
 - C. Bill Goodman Secretary
 - D. Richard Coffey Treasurer
 - E. Joe Kohn Registrar
 - F. John Anderson Historian
 - G. Bob Wehr Chaplain
 - H. Richard Martin Sergeant-At-Arms
- VII. President Dan Hamilton motion for adjournment. Seconded by several members.
- VIII. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the closing benediction.
- IX. Sergeant at Arms Richard Martin led the Chapter members in the SAR Closing Admonition.

The next Chapter Meeting will be held on April 8, 2023, at Southern Recipes Grill, 2715 N. Collins Street, Arlington, Texas. Meet for breakfast from the menu at 8:30 a.m. with the Chapter meeting commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Attendance: 19 Chapter Members and 11 guests.

Respectfully Submitted, Bill Goodman, Secretary