

# Texas SAR Arlington Chapter Meeting Minutes June 10, 2023

The June 10, 2023 meeting was held at Skillet & Grill, 1801 W Division Street, Arlington, Texas. Members and guests gathered at 09:30 am for fellowship and breakfast.

- I. President Dan Hamilton welcomed attendees and opened the meeting for Chapter business at approximately 10:00 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 other guests.
- V. Comment of the Day: Since Compatriot Lee cannot attend President Dan Hamilton gave a humorous cowboy story.
- VI. Compatriot Mike Fairchild discussed the details of the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade and asked for volunteers to assist.
- VII. Compatriot Kevin Jorrey and John Anderson discussed the details of the Chapter banner. Compatriot Joe Kohn moved to purchase the banner as shown for approximately \$100. Compatriot Brian Ehrler seconded the motion. All members in attendance voted approval.
- VIII. Officer and Committee Reports
  - A. Treasurer Richard Coffey provided an update on the Chapter bank account.
  - B. Secretary Bill Goodman reminded the Chapter that the minutes from the May meeting have been posted on the Chapter website. Compatriot John Anderson passed out copies of the minutes from the May meeting for members to peruse. The floor was opened for comments on the minutes. There being no comments, President Dan Hamilton moved that the minutes be accepted as posted, the motion was seconded Compatriot Bob Wehr, and approved by the Chapter.
  - C. Compatriot John Anderson provided the following reports:

## **TXSSAR State Announcements**

- Texas State 2023 Summer Conference will be via zoom on Sat. July 29; details will be released as we get closer to the date.
- Texas State 2023 Fall Conference will be in-person on Fri. Sun, Oct. 20-22 in College Station; details will be released as we get closer to the date.
- Texas State 2024 Spring Conference will be in-person in San Antonio; details will be released as we get closer to the date.

## **TXSSAR Historian Report**

- As Historian, on Memorial Day Compatriot Anderson attended the Lake Charles, LA Ave Flag
  presentation at the Orange Grove Cemetery and the honoring of Patriot Martin Camersac at the
  Sallier Cemetery. Compatriot Chuck Andrews also attended along with our new Arlington Chapter
  Dual State member Russ Godwin (Chuck Andrews cousin) and Lake Charles Chapter President.
- The next Texas SAR Archives/History/Yearbook committee will be Thurs. July 6 @ 6:30 pm. There are several active interesting projects, including Tx SAR History Vol. 3.

#### **Arlington Chapter Membership Chair**

- The Arlington Chapter New Member Manual is now available on our chapter website and printed here today. Thanks to those who reviewed and provided feedback. It will be included with New Member Inductions.
- Membership
  - 80 members including 6 Juniors at end of 2022,
  - 8 members were dropped for not paying 2022 dues,
  - 1 member deceased,

- 4 members reinstated (late payment),
- 1 dual member added, Russ Godwin from Lake Charles La.,
- Bryan Ehrler is ready for induction today,
- Damon Fehler is a transfer to us from Heart of Texas Chapter,
- Damon Feher's sons Andrew & John Felher are new (Jr.) members. We have received their packets, but their Induction will probably be in August,
- Kyle & Alex Stephenson are new (Jr.) members. We have received their packets, but their Induction will probably be in August,
- Richard Vaughn and Wendell Black are new members; We have received their packets, but their Induction will probably be in August,
- Grayson Freeman, Jr., Joe Kohn's grandson, is approved, and his induction will be in Sept. at their DAR meeting as Joe has daughter and granddaughters being inducted there.
- Current Arlington Chapter membership is 85, including 15 Juniors.
- Joe Kohn has done a great job as Registrar & should be congratulated. Application status is:
  - 1 new app at SAR
  - 3 new app at Tx SAR
  - 2 supp at Tx SAR
  - 2 new apps in progress
  - 1 supp in progress
  - 16 approved (apps and supps) YTD

## DAR/C.A.R. Liaison

- The Lucretia Council Cochran DAR chapter is off for the summer, but plans to join up for the Independence Day parade.
- Currently there is no contact with the Quanah Parker DAR chapter.

### Web Admin

- Normal website maintenance; minutes, photos, new members, etc.
- The University of North Texas University is declining to store our Chapter Archives. It will be necessary for us to find a new storage location.
- D. Compatriot Joe Kohn recognized Compatriot David Hubler for his 49 years of SAR membership.
- E. Chaplain Bob Wehr had no report.
- F. Sergeant-at-Arms Richard Martin stated he hoped the restaurant is providing a storage location for our Chapter equipment. But no they don't have a private closet.
- G. Compatriot Bill Goodwin had no report of the Veteran Committee.
- H. Color Guard: Compatriots Hamilton and Mike Fairchild participated in a Memorial Day Celebration in Keller.
- I. Speakers Bureau: Compatriot Bill Covington could not attend since he was giving a presentation at Dallas SAR Chapter meeting. He also had a scheduled presentation for the Duncan, OK DAR Chapter on June 13. He has tentatively scheduled 20 presentations over the next 10 months.
- J. President Dan Hamilton led a discussion of support for the Arlington C.A.R. Chapter including the State CAR President and his project, Liberty Lives in the Lone Star State. Compatriot John Anderson stated that the C.A.R. President should be invited tod attend one of our meetings to provide detailed project plans, and a subsequent meeting report on accomplishments. After hearing the proposed plan and progress, our Chapter could make an appropriate donation, and Compatriots could also make donations.

#### IX. New Business

- A. President Dan Hamilton reported that he is requesting that each of our members sponsor one wreath for the Wreaths Across America Project using the form in our newsletter.
- B. New Chapter Newsletter Chairman, Compatriot Chuck Andrews requested that each member suggest a name for the newsletter, and submit articles, events and photos.
- C. President Dan Hamilton led a discussion of the Chapter meeting location. Compatriot John Anderson moved that we continue to meet at this location, the Skillet & Grill and Compatriot Kevin Jorrey seconded the motion. Members present voted by show of hands, and the motion to continue meeting at this new location passed unanimously.
- D. President Dan Hamilton conducted the installation of Compatriot Brian Ehrler as a member of our Chapter.
- X. President Dan Hamilton moved for adjournment. The motion was seconded and passed.
- XI. Chaplain Bob Wehr gave the closing benediction.
- XII. Sergeant-at-Arms Richard Martin led the Chapter members in the closing admonition.

The next Chapter Meeting will be held on July 8, 2023, at Skillet & Grill, 1801 West Division Street, Arlington, Texas. Members can meet for breakfast starting at 9:30 a.m. with the Chapter meeting commencing at 10:00 a.m.

Attendance: 17 Chapter Members and 1 guest.

Respectfully Submitted, Bill Goodman, Secretary