

OCTOBER 8, 2016

**Minutes of the Dallas Chapter
Sons of the American Revolution**

The monthly meeting was called to order by President **George Ramphrey** at 8:30 am in the dining room of Presbyterian North Village.



Various Compatriots led the membership in pledges to the United States Flag & Texas Flag. The President led all in the Affirmation to SAR. Tracy Pounders got everyone feeling good about singing the first stanza of *America*. Chaplain Frank Pounders gave the sick call and Invocation.

Head Greeter and FCP Ralph McDowell introduced his sidekick for the day – FCP Frank Pounders and they did a great job in welcoming the twenty-four members and six guests who attended the morning meeting. Ralph also reminded members to renew their KROGER card account so that the Chapter can continue receiving rebates on our purchases. This quarter's amount was \$38.33.



^ Mark Robbins



Matthew Gelman ^



Kelley ^ & ^ Jeremy Garland



Bradley Sue Howe & Barbara Baker

During the introductions of guests, FCP **Charles > Baker** referred to his spouse, by her Indian name "*My Long Standing Wife-who doesn't stand very long*", after which he pushed his way through the joke for the day about a rain-soaked drunk on a backyard swing.



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Prior to his aka presentation as Ben Franklin, < **Bill Watts** awarded a replica of George Washington's *Andre's Capture Medal* to his so called mentor in appreciation of services rendered.



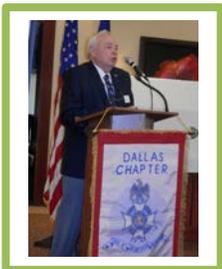
Compatriot Watts' presentation topic was about "Franklin's Turning Points" as it related to his patriotic attitude toward America's cause for freedom. Although his initial concern was to persuade England to allow the colonies to become a part of the "*Common Wealth*"; in 1765 he changed his mind

after finding out that the British appointed Governor of Massachusetts, was planning on betraying the colonists. Old Ben obtained and published a letter from Governor Hutchins (to the British) and thus earned the ire of powers to be in the motherland – hence, a true turning point for the Founding Father.

President Ramphrey reminded members that the 2017 dues notice is in the mail. Compatriot James Fairbairn stated that Veterans are in need of XLarge and XXLarge winter coats, and hopes that our members will consider donating also socks, gloves, and underwear to the cause.

Guest Speaker Dr. Montie Monzingo

Started by saying that a "funny thing happen on the way to the forum"- the loaned projector was not compatible with his machine, therefore he would still talk about *American Cemeteries on Foreign Soil*, only without slides shown. He related how he was invited to join other couples in a trip to the Netherlands (where his father is buried) one of many European cemeteries he has visited.



< **Jerry Pinkerton** commented that, he too had made a pilgrimage to Manila in the Philippines where his father was buried. In fact, he had been buried five times in various staging locations while a permanent cemetery was being constructed. In 2012, Jerry revisited the island and also took a special side tour over a path with a man that was there with his father in 1945.

Barbara Baker >



spoke about her brother who was killed by friendly fire as he flew a spotter mission in Italy.



....and here is the extra hair you asked for Montie !!!!

Reports of Officers & Committee Chairman

Secretary – September minutes as distributed and posted on the website were approved by voice vote. The Texas State Fair recruitment table volunteer list was circulated one more time. We currently have twenty SAR members (from five different chapters) signed up to work two shifts each day Sept.30-Oct.23. A new form listing all offices and committee programs is now posted on the website and will also be given to new members to consider areas that you are interested in serving on. **Registrar**- Will be sending in the application of Tom Van Fossen. **Treasurer** – Richie Fund has a current balance of \$29,457.22 and the Minuteman Fund balance is \$10,232.64. **Membership**- Currently 268 active members on the roster. **VA**-Compatriot Whitelock volunteered to collect this month's donations to get them to John Morton. **CAR**- Harper, Kittrell & Whitelock participated in the Viet Nam Memorial service at Fair Park – plenty of TV coverage of ceremony. **BSA**- Two program folders have been turned in for the August and September Eagle Scout Certificates that were presented along special SAR items. **Oration**-Three students will compete at the BOM in Austin on October 15. **Essay**- Notices have been sent out to schools and home schooled associations. **Historian**- Pictures and articles are needed for our scrapbook.



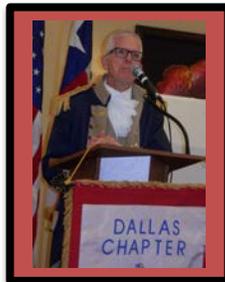
William Richardson



Hank Voegtle



David Temple



Robert Kittrell



Frank & Tracy Pounders Ralph McDowell

Drawings for door prizes were conducted after Tracy Pounders got everyone to sing Happy Birthday to his Dad and Ralph McDowell.

The Chaplain gave the Benediction and after the SAR Recessional, President Ramphrey adjourned the meeting at 9:31am.

Respectfully submitted by
Tom M Whitelock, Secretary

****** We are saddened to report the passing of our Treasurer- KENNETH LAMB and the wife (HENRIETTA) of former Chapter President Cliff Slagle this past month.***

