

# The MINUTEMAN Dallas Chapter

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Texas Society - Sons of the American Revolution



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Good health is what you do as well as what you eat and drink.

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Brent Harshman

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Jerry Pinkerton David Temple

### COLOR GUARD COMMANDER

Bill Watts









# **AGENDA**

### **Call to Order** – President Harrison

### **Rules of Engagement –**

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**Invocation** – Larry Luby

**Pledges** – American Flag – Paul Ridenour

Texas Flag – Bob Clark SAR – Mark Hanson

**Welcome** – President Harrison

A very warm welcome to all of you today. This is a record attendance; we've never had to bring in extra chairs. It's a very nice problem to have.



I'd like to recognize our guests, I'm sure I'll miss a few and I apologize; Past State Presidents; Bob Clark and David Temple - Inland Registrar Jerry Pinkerton - past chapter presidents; McKinney - Tom Milson, Plano - Nick Gilliam, East Fork Trinity - Michael Goode; Dist. 6 VP Tom Van Fossen, Region 4 Oration Chairman Jason Gray; State Color Guard Commander Bob Kubin; John Greer Veterans Committee; DAR Chapters; Kingsport Cynthia Goode, Michael Stoner Martha Cedar, Margaret Terry and Dian Tiga and Jane Douglas Linda Martin.

Today is a little different today we are having our Chapter sponsored oration candidate give his oration today. John Morton has passed out slips of paper for you to vote on the posters for the Poster

Contest. So please don't forget to vote.







Larry Luby began by telling us that we will have Elizabeth Roe, a history teacher from Mesquite ISD is our State Teacher of the year at our May meeting and will read her essay. Ella Kelley a senior from Mesquite High School will be with us as well. I'd like to introduce Jason Gray.

Jason Gray introduced our Chapter sponsored oration candidate Terry Kim from Tyler and his mother Mary Kim.

Judges; Bob Kubin, Walt Thomas, Jim Battles, and David Scott. Tom Van Fossen was the prompter and Tom Whitelock was the time keeper.

A video was made of Terry's presentation and he received a check from the chapter for being our representative.



## **Introduction of our morning Speaker** – Tom Van Fossen



Carl Flowers – A fisherman who saved George Washington's Army three times!

The Boston Tea Party is the next 250<sup>th</sup> event on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Everyone knows the big guys Tomas Jefferson, Ben Franklin and George Washington – but what about the middle managers? They are just like you and me. That's what I'm going to focus on for the next five years. The untold stories of the American Revolution, - the people that no one talks about.

Today I'm going to talk about the time that Washington was trapped. The story takes place over a period of six months.

John Glover a fisherman saves George Washington three times.





Tom Van Fossen and Mark Harrison present Carl Flowers with a book and a coffee cup as a thank you for the presentation.

Carl has a facebook page and a YouTube Channel that can be accessed by any one that is interested in American History.

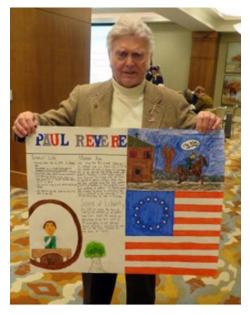




## **Committee Updates**

No update for Veterans Committee, but if you brought donations for veterans there is a place on the table at the back of the room. There is a list of suggested items for veterans attached to this email.

John Morton brought posters and the vote was tallied.



Chapter Poster Winner

DALLAS CHAPTER

Oration Contest Winner Terry Kim

Last month Jerry Pinkerton was out. So this month David Temple former State President conducted the swearing in ceremony for Jerry as the Assistant Registrar for the Dallas Chapter.



In Australia, what animal is a jumbuck? Find the answer after Color Guard Report.

### **OFFICERS REPORTS**

### **Secretary** – Watts

Jerry Pinkerton made the motion to accept and was seconded by Tom Van Fossen. The minutes were approved by a vote.

Bill Watts told the Chapter that TL Holden's wife Carolyn passed away and a card to sign at the back table. TL Holden is a long time member of the Texas Society, a member of the Color Guard and a strong supporter of the SAR.

**Treasurer** – Treasurer Harper



# Financials

As of 31 Jan 2023

	Annual Budget	Actual YTD
Revenue	\$8,960	\$940
Expenses	\$8,704	\$480
Net Gain	\$256	\$460

# **Prosperity Bank Account**

# North Dallas Bank & Trust Account

Opening Balance (31 Dec 2022)	\$9,294
Net Gain	\$460
Closing Balance (31 Jan 2023)	\$9,754

Ritchie Fund	\$29,885	
Minuteman Fund	\$9,367	



# 2023 Registrar Activity



In Progress at Chapter — 25
At National for Review — 9
(3 Regular, 4 Supplemental, 2 Memorial)
Approved — 3
Closed — 18

New Members Approved — 1 Memorial Applications Approved — 1 Supplemental Applications Approved — 1



New Member Inductions YTD — 0 New Members Inducted Today — 0 New Members to be Inducted — 5

Tom Whitelock has been recruiting members for a long time and today we award him a Texas State recruiting pin for all his efforts.

Historian - Harshman

# History Projects

Send pictures of events for future yearbooks to: Brent Harshman brentharshman@protonmail.com

**Color Guard** – Commander Watts



Jerry Pinkerton and Brent Harshman received certificates for participating in the Wreaths Across American ceremony in December.



Former Texas Society State Color Guard Commander Major General Bill Watts presented Current State Commander Bob Kubin the rank of Brigadier General of the Texas State Color Guard.

Bob Kubin presented Brent Harshman his Silver Galvez Medal and Michael Goode his Silver National Color Guard Medal.

## 2023 January Events



January 26, 2023 – Malvern Elementary School Colonial Fair McKinney



Declaration of Independence for Children to sign.

### **2023 Scheduled Events**

February 13, 14, 15, 16 2023 Plano Children's Symphony @ Christ United Methodist Church

Contact Bob Johns if you would like to help in March.





George Washington Birthday Parade Parking - 2016



George Washington Birthday Parade Crowd - 2016



Laredo George Washington's Birthday Celebration.

February 19, 2023 Sunday – Jane Douglas DAR & David Pendleton CAR present certificates to WAA participants.

March 2023 – Plano Children's Symphony @ Christ United Methodist Church 3101 Coit Rd. Plano, TX Need Color Guard to participate contact Bob Johns.

March 19, 2023 Saturday – Patriot Grave Marking for James Lemmon at Edgewood Cemetery 624 Nokomis Road Lancaster, at 3pm muster at 2pm



# **Texas SAR Annual Conference**

Save the Date 30 March – 2 April 2023



Marriott City Place

1200 Lake Plaza Drive, Spring Texas Tel: 281-350-4000

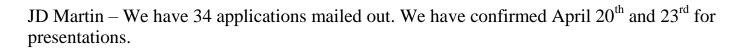
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March 31, 2023 - TXSSAR Annual Conference March 30 - April 2 Spring, Texas

Bill Watts presents two new SAR members with a Challenge Coin. As he presents the coins he tells the two what the coins stand for and gives them their responsibility as a member of our Society.

Next month we will have our First Responders at our March Meeting – Tom Van Fossen

# JROTC



The answer to; "In Australia, what animal is a jumbuck?" Sheep!

### **OLD BUSINESS -**

Merchandise Table – Tom Whitelock

We have Metal and Wood Challenge Coins, 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Medal Set, and a Patriot House Banner to aid our Chapter in the efforts raise money for our youth programs.

Remember; "If your brakes don't work, try using an anchor!"

### **NEW BUSINESS** –

None

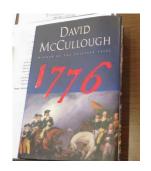
## DOOR PRIZE -

Jason Gray -



John Morton -







### TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

"Adam's Ale" Where can I find Adam's Ale? I have some fresh from the well. It means "water". "You're driving me crazy with all your circumbendibus, get to the point!" Check right here next month! I hope you are enjoying this little word play.

**BENEDICTION** – Larry Luby

### **SAR RECESSIONAL** – All

# **NEXT MEETING IS SATURDAY March 11<sup>th</sup>** @ 9:00AM

Join us at our next Chapter meeting: First Responders

08:00 am - Breakfast buffet for \$10 including raffle ticket for door prize

09:00 am - Meeting program

# Committee Opportunities Available at the Dallas Chapter

- ► Public Relations & Publicity
- ► Community Service Awards
- ► Member Retention
- ► CAR Liaison
- ► DAR Liaison
- Annual Audit
- ► American History Teacher

- ► Brochure Contest (MS)
- ► CAR Essay Contest
- ► Eagle Scout Essay Contest
- ► Knight Essay Contest (HS)
- ➤ Oration Contest (HS)
- ► Poster Contest (Elem)
- ► Speaker's Bureau

For more information concerning volunteer opportunities please contact;

Mark Harrison

Tom Van Fossen

Respectfully submitted, William B. Watts, Secretary

# Fall 2022 Dallas Needs Listing



We appreciate your interest in wanting to serve Veterans and below is the Fall 2022 needs listing. All items must be new and in original packaging.

### Snacks (Supports Mental Health programs and Outpatient Programs):

- Dum Dum Suckers
- Hard Candy (Sugar Free)
- Pretzels
- · Peanut Butter and Cheese Crackers
- Veggie Chips
- Protein/Granola/Breakfast Bars (assorted kinds)
- Sun Chips
- Fruit Snacks
- Cheez it
- Chex Mix
- Trail mix
- Soft cookies
- Skinny Popcorn
- Apple Sauce (In squeeze-able pouch/ no spoon needed)
- Bottled water (small bottles)
- Gatorade (small bottles /assorted flavors)

### **Personal Care:**

- Body wash no bar soap or hotel/motel toiletries
- Deodorant
- Shampoo
- Shaving Cream
- Razors (double or triple blade)
- Lotion
- Denture Cleaner
- Denture Adhesive
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Hairbrushes
- Hair clips/ties

### Men's Clothing: New Items Only (various sizes, must still be in original packaging):

- Men's white packaged t-shirts (Med 2XL)
- Men's boxers and briefs (Med 2XL)
- Men's t-shirts in assorted colors/ no design (Med 3XL)
- Men's Sweat Tops (Med 3XL)
- Men's Sweatpants (Med 3XL)
- Men's collared polo shirts (Medium 3XL)
- Men's khakis (Assorted waist/length sizes)
- Men's belts (Assorted sizes)

- Men's tennis shoes/including half sizes (9- 13 sizes)
- Men's house slippers (9-13 sizes)
- Men's Socks (White and black colors)

### Women's Clothing: New Items Only (various sizes, must still be in original packaging):

- Women's Sports Bra (Small- 2XL)
- Women's underwear (Assorted sizes)
- Women's t-shirts in assorted colors/no design (Medium 2XL)
- Women's Sweat Tops (Medium 2XL)
- Women's Sweatpants (Medium 2XL)
- Women's tennis shoes/including half sizes (6- 11 sizes)
- Women's socks

### Community Living Center Residents / Snack Food:

- Cheese and Peanut Butter crackers
- Whole wheat crackers
- Pretzels
- Popcorn (low sodium)
- Veggie Chips
- Muffins
- Applesauce
- Tapioca and banana pudding
- Cheese sticks
- V8 Juice

### Non-Food Items and CDCE Programs:

- Coffee Cart (Coffee / individual liquid creamers/individual coffee filters)
- 12 cup coffee pots (Patient Care Areas)
- Microwaves (Patient Care Areas)
- Laundry detergent
- Headphones
- Earplugs
- Eye masks
- Reading glasses (assorted strengths)
- Magnifying glass
- Adult coloring books
- Pencil/Colored pencils
- Stamps
- Envelopes
- Journals
- Blankets
- · Halloween swag, décor, and fun items for residents in CLC and SCI areas (please ask for a
- Thanksgiving/Holiday swag, décor, and fun items for residents in CLC and SCI areas (please ask for a detailed list)

All donations must be coordinated with Center for Development and Civic Engagement (CDCE) for acceptance and delivery drop off. Should you have questions regarding donations please call 214-857-0428 or email ntxvoluntaryadmin@va.gov.

# DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION MEETING LOCATION (A) PARKING AREA (B)

