

THE

OCTOBER 13, 2018 News & Minutes of Dallas Chapter Sons of the American Revolution TEXAS SOCIETY



MINUTEMAN



<FCP Tom Smith</pre>

again returned to the lectern to gavel the monthly meeting to order at 8:40 am. He asked Chaplain **Frank Pounders** to give the sick call for (**Charles Baker & Bill Watts**) as well as render the *Invocation*. **Robert Kittrell & Jerry Pinkerton** led the membership in pledges to <u>U.S. and Texas Flags</u> respectively. **John Morton** then led attendees with the SAR *Affirmation* followed by all singing the first stanza of *America*.

In addition **Robert McDowell** announced that he wished everyone would remain standing to join him in singing a robust version of *Happy Birthday* to his father, 90 year old

Revolution Trivia Fact #1 It is often said that Sam Adams was a brewer & various beers have carried his name because of this; Samuel Adams Lager, produced in Boston, sports his image on its labels. However Adams neither brewed beer nor drank it. (left to right)≻ Charles Meachum Patti Meachum **Ralph**

Robert McDowell



All Former Chapter > Presidents Ralph McDowell v



Frank Pounders * Tom Smith * Ralph McDowell

Compatriot **Chalmers Omberg** stepped up to serve as "greeter" for the day in order that Ralph would enjoy the first CUPCAKE with his family. Twenty-five members and these additional guests got to sample the goodies. *Bradley Sue Howell, Barbara Baker, J.D. Martin, Jeffrey Mann, Janna Kaelin & Todd Martin* **Prospects**

AMERICANISM

FCP Smith next introduced Compatriot **Marshall Scantlin** to present another of our original colony flag programs. Before starting on his main topic of New York, he mentioned that his Patriot, *John Waldo*, was born in Connecticut in 1728, but moved to NY and enlisted in the 14th regiment Albany County Militia as a Private. Son *John J. Waldo* also joined the unit. During Marshall's linage research, he discovered that he was "kin" to *Ralph Waldo Emerson*. Getting back on subject,



the General gave a very detailed description on the flag's design – keying on the two females representing *Liberty & Justice*, and that his study educated him by learning, that the study exercise is called **Vexillology**.

Next up to bat, was long time Dallas Chapter Compatriot **William Richardson**, whose Patriot *George Knox* was born in Scotland (1768). He migrated to Virginia, and in 1776 enlisted with *Danial Morgan's Riflemen*. Bill was in good humor as he interspersed the description and symbolism of his flag with a fair amount of

jocular quips. He even hinted that at least his female was more "Virtuous" than any previously presented.

Bill concluded his very informative presentation by alerting us to the little known fact that the State celebrated last year -410 years of existence – dating back to the establishment of *Jamestown*.



The Second Amendment, which grants Americans the "right to bear arms", was included to ensure the viability of a civilian militia, should Americans ever be invaded, threatened or need to engage in a second revolution.



Newest Member

Chapter Registrar **Jerry Pinkerton** came forward to introduce **Trace C. Kaelin** and induct him. His Patriot was *Joseph Crane* who was a 2^{nd} Lieutenant in Captain Amos Dodd's Company in the New Jersey Militia. It was noted that before he was killed in action, he fathered twelve children. (Shown at left are: Jerry, Trace,

Recent Approved Applications Mark Hampton Harrison Gary Hampton Harrison William Lilbum Fulton wife Janna. Also pictured is a current prospective member, *Todd Martin.* >



Officers & Committee Chairmen Reports

President – Chapter Officers, Van Fossen & Whitelock are currently attending the Fall BOM along with other Dallas members. **Treasurer** – The monthly financial statement had been handed out to members as they arrived for this morning's meeting. He also reminded everyone that they should pick up the additional sheet with the 2019 budget projections. **Membership** – Current count is 255. **Veterans Affairs** – Appreciation was extended to Compatriots for their continuous donations to Vets at the Hospital. **Color Guard** – Will muster at 9:00 am on Monday Nov. 12 at the old Reunion Area parking lot for the Veterans Day Parade. Later in the Month on Nov. 17th we will help Jeanette Prasifka & Plano Chapter at 11:00 am "Flag Retirement" ceremony held at the Fire Station #12 located just West of Coit & Parker in Plano.

Texas State Fair recruitment results for signing up prospective SAR members have totaled nearly fifty to date, of which seventeen were in Dallas Chapter's area.

No new or old business was discussed – so drawings for door prizes commenced just prior to the Chaplain's Benediction and then the SAR closing recessional. Meeting adjournment was 9:30am.

Next Month's Speaker General Marshall Scantlin Respectfully submitted by Tom M. Whitelock



My thanks to TS, NH, JP, JS & RM for helping me with information to construct the minutes.



The Founding Fathers make sure that the "Kid" spells his name right.

Tom Van Fossen helps a father and > son fill out SAR prospect membership application forms at the State Fair recruitment table.

Remember: Set your clocks back one hour at 2:00am 11/04

Revolution Trivia Fact #3

Only about 25 original Dunlap prints of the Declaration of Independence are known to exist. One copy was found in 1989, concealed in a painting bought at a flea market for just \$US4. This same Dunlap print later sold for \$2.4million.

Other monthly events

District 11 V.P. Terry L. Holden enchants youngsters and oldsters alike, with *Colonial Tales* ^

Remember : Our Chapter website is www.txssar.org/dallas





Our Color Guard members attended the Funeral of Compatriot Davidson at DFW National Cemetery as well as at the TxSSAR Fall BOM Convention in New Braunfels, Texas in October.



TxSSAR President, **Thomas Jackson** will honor us with a visit at our Chapter meeting on December 8^{th,} so please mark your calendar to attend.