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Sons of the American Revolution

September 2019



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Public Announcements:

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday September 12 at Siciliano's, A Taste of Italy 2210 W. Buckingham Rd, Garland, TX 75042 at 7 pm; dinner ordering starts at 6pm



Tom Whitelock shows the exact spot where he signed the Declaration of Independence! At the Meet and Greet at the Continental DAR House on August 18th.

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From President Bob Vickers:

Several of the members enjoyed the "Meet and Greet" at the DAR House Sunday, August 18th. Our Chapter was well represented. It was a good opportunity to meet Compatriots from other area chapters as well as the DAR hostesses. Another good opportunity to meet folks from other area chapters is at the District 6 meeting which is being held at the Outback Steakhouse in Plano on Saturday, September 14, 2019. The steakhouse is located on 15th Street just west of U.S. 75. Also, be sure and mark your calendars for the Board of Managers meeting at the Arlington Hilton. Hopefully we will have a good turnout at both events. The State Fair is just around the corner and there are several open slots fair. If you work

three of the slots you can get a free parking pass and park near the DAR House.

Your Executive Committee is looking for volunteers to serve the Chapter in 2020. A committee will be formed at the September meeting for selection of a slate of officers and other necessary positions for the running of our Chapter. Please give this some thought.



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Patriotic ★ Historical ★ Educational



Our August program was presented by Compatriot David Routh. It was a detailed and informative presentation about the battle for Texas independence.



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Above: Area 6 vice president Gary Lovell presents an East Fork Trinity chapter challenge coin to Vice Regent Donna Broder and Regent Linda Martin of the Jane Douglas chapter of the DAR at a meet and greet on August 18 sponsored by the Jane Douglas Chapter of the DAR as Margaret Anderson of the Rock Wall chapter looks on.

Right: Mindy Lovell and Nancy Nurmesviita

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Compatriots,

Please sign up for our annual State Fair of Texas SAR membership event held in the Dallas Continental DAR House at Fair Park. The State Fair is open from 9/27/2019 to 10/20/2019. The time choices are 1030am to 200pm or 200pm to 530pm. DAR allows us a table to recruit new members as well as it is great PR for all SAR Chapters. Sign up for three shifts and receive a Parking Pass to park next to the Continental DAR House. Please wear your uniform if you have one.

www.signupgenius.com



Dennis Vierling

As you all know, Veterans Day is November 11, 2019 Monday and I hope all of you will be attending an event in your area. Our State Color Guard Commander Ted Wilson is strongly encouraging all Color Guardsmen to participate in the City of Dallas Veterans Parade. A trailer will be present for anyone that prefers to ride. The theme will be “Commemorating the 75th Anniversary of D-Day”. It is scheduled to begin at 1100am. A map of the parade route and staging area can be found at the City of Dallas TX Veterans Day Parade. More details will follow concerning muster time, line-up and staging.

Dennis A. Vierling
EFT SAR Chapter #47
Color Guard Commander
972-768-1801

Margaret Anderson and Lisa Vierling at the Meet and Greet at the Continental DAR House with a photo bomb by Color Guard Commander Dennis Vierling.





Dave Powell

The Registrar's Corner
August 2019
NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

1. **Member** James Hobby application was approved at National on 1/11/2019. James' Patriot is William Abernathy. **Approved, National Number: 210186.**
2. **Junior Member** Blake Strickland's application has been approved at National on 1/18/2019. Blake's Patriot is John Scalf. **Approved, National Number: 210291.**
3. **Junior Member** Levi Strickland's application has been approved at National on 1/18/2019. Levi's Patriot is John Scalf. **Approved, National Number: 210292.**
4. **Member** David Jackson's application was approved at National on 1/25/2019. David's Patriot is Isaac Van Wart. **Approved, National Number: 210391.**
5. **Member** Robin Holden's application was approved on 2/15/2019. Robin's Patriot is Thomas Holden. **Approved, National Number: 210684.**
6. **Member** Jeff Lott's application was approved on 2/15/2019. Jeff's Patriot is Philander Williams. **Approved, National Number: 210688.**
7. **Member** William (Bill) Marks application was approved on 4/12/2019. Bill's Patriot is James Marks. **Approved, National Number: 211282.**
8. **Member** Cody Stevenson Application was Approved at National on 23 Aug 2019. Cody's Patriot is Benjamin Boone. **Approved; National Number: 212706.**
9. **Prospective Member** James Schaefer Application was **"Genealogy Approved"** at National on 21 Aug 2019. Next week's Application Status Report should have his final approval date and his National Number. James' Patriot is Phillip Lee. **Awaiting Approval at National.**
10. **Prospective Member** Chet Frith's application was mailed to State on 20 Jun 2019, approved at State and arrived at National on 14 Aug 2019. Chet's Patriot is James McDade. **Awaiting National Review.**
11. **Prospective Member** Clyde Frith is the father of Chet Frith and Clyde's application was mailed to State on 20 Jun 2019, approved at State and arrived at National on 14 Aug 2019. Clyde's Patriot is James McDade. **Awaiting National Review.**
12. **Prospective Member** David Miller's application has been approved at State level and arrived at

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- National on 14 Aug 2019. David's Patriot is Jethro Butler. **Awaiting National Review.**
- 13. Prospective Member** Gary Hughey application arrived at National on 10 May 2019 and was **"Pended"** at National on 17 Jul 2019. We found additional evidence and wrote a Proof Summary that was submitted on 27 Aug 2019. This Proof Summary should solve the application problem. Gary's Patriot is Philip Houck. **Waiting for State & National Review.**
- 14. Prospective Member** Chester Eastin is the Grandfather of Gary Hughey and has joined his Grandson in a Family Membership. Chester's application arrived at National on 10 May 2019 and was **"Pended"** at National on 17 Jul 2019. We found additional evidence and wrote a Proof Summary that was submitted on 27 Aug 2019. This Proof Summary should solve the application problem. Chester's Patriot is Philip Houck. **Awaiting State & National Review.**
- 15. Prospective Member** Pierce Lawson was referred to us by Sam Massey. Pierce's Mother Sarah Lawson is a DAR member and she is working to get her two sons in the SAR. We have completed the application and it was mailed to State on 15 Aug 2019. Pierce's Patriot is Joseph Wallace. **Awaiting State Review.**
- 16. Prospective Member** James Lawson is the brother of Pierce Lawson and they are joining through a family membership. We have completed the application and it was mailed to State on 15 Aug 2019. James' Patriot is Joseph Wallace. **Awaiting State Review.**
- 17. Prospective Member** Mike Meister contacted EFT on 8 Aug 2019 and we had his Patriot and Lineage completed by 11 Aug 2019 and signed and mailed to State on 15 Aug 2019. Mike's Patriot is Solomon Beckman. **Awaiting State Review.**
- 18. Prospective Member** Dale Stringfellow was referred to EFT by Member Greg Flowers and his wife Yvonne. Dale will be joining the SAR under a family membership with four other family members. The application has been completed and it is ready for signature. Dale's Patriot is Samuel Davis. **Waiting for Signatures**
- 19. Prospective Member** Brent Stringfellow was referred to EFT by Member Greg Flowers and his wife Yvonne. Brent will be joining the SAR under a family membership with four other family members. The application has been completed and it is ready for signature. Brent's Patriot is Samuel Davis. **Waiting for Signatures**
- 20. Prospective Member** Bradley Stringfellow was referred to EFT by Member Greg Flowers and his wife Yvonne. Brent will be joining the SAR under a family membership with four other

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family members. The application has been completed and it is ready for signature. Bradley's Patriot is Samuel Davis. **Waiting for Signatures**

- 21. Prospective Member** Mason Stringfellow was referred to EFT by Member Greg Flowers and his wife Yvonne. Brent will be joining the SAR under a family membership with four other family members. The application has been completed and it is ready for signature. Mason's Patriot is Samuel Davis. **Waiting for Signatures**
- 22. Prospective Member** Brian Stringfellow was referred to EFT by Member Greg Flowers and his wife Yvonne. Brent will be joining the SAR under a family membership with four other family members. The application has been completed and it is ready for signature. Brian's Patriot is Samuel Davis. **Waiting for Signatures**
- 23. Prospective Member** Evan Rees was referred to us by Sam Massey and Evan has been contacted and he has responded. We have found a Patriot and completed his application and then we heard from the applicant that he is having medical issues and wanted to file the application for now. **Application Filed at Registrar's Office.**
- 24. Prospective Member** Blake Cundiff was referred to EFT by the State Communications Secretary and he has been contacted. Blake responded and we are working with him. Assistant Registrar Jason Gray is working on this application and has found a promising Patriot and Lineage. We have reviewed that application and needed one document to proceed to completion. **Application missing one Document.**
- 25. Prospective Member** Thomas Stocks was referred to EFT by the State Communications Secretary Sam Massey and he has been contacted. **Applicant is working on lineage and documents.**
- 26. Prospective Member** Jeff Witt has been referred to EFT by EFT Member Walt Thomas and his wife Barbara. Barbara is working with the PM for documents. Jeff's Patriot is Paul Castleberry. **Waiting for Documents.**
- 27. Prospective Member** Gerald Thorne was referred to EFT by EFT Member Walt and his wife Barbara. Barbara is working with the PM for documents. His Patriot is Alexander McMakin. **Waiting for Documents.**
- 28. Catherine Dean** was referred to EFT by State Communications Secretary Sam Massey. She was interested in getting her sons into the SAR but she is too busy to work on her son's applications and has not provided any information. **The Dean Applications are on hold.**



SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATIONS

1. **Member** Larry Jordan submitted a Supplemental Application last year. Larry's new Patriot is Abraham Goad. Application was approved on 14 Jun 2019. **Application Approved at National.**
2. **Member** Greg Flowers is working on his first Supplemental Patriot Application for his Patriot ancestor James Flowers. **Working on Application and Documents.**
3. **Member** Dennis Vierling is working on his first Supplement Application. **Working on Application and Documents.**
4. **Member** Gary Lovell is working on a new Supplemental Patriot Application. **Working on Application and Documents.**

Message from the EFT Registrar

1. Since it takes about a month to get through State and about two months to get through National, a new member application has to be at State right now to have a chance of being approved by the end of the year. It will be another record year for EFT. Here is what we will likely accomplish for the year:
2. **2019 Approved New Member Applications: 17**
3. **2019 Approved Supplemental Applications Total: 1**
4. **New Member Applications that will probably roll into 2020: 7**