



Texas Society
Sons of the American Revolution
Chisholm Trail News



Major K.M. Van Zandt Chapter
 Fort Worth, Texas
 May 1, 2021

NEXT MEETING: May 15, 2021

TIME: 8:30 am

LOCATION: Bacon's Bistro & Café, Hurst

A monthly publication of Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter, Ron Turner, Editor

CHAPTER OFFICERS 2020-2021

President

Ronald J. TURNER
rjturner0815@gmail.com

Vice-President

Robert G. GRESHAM
gresham817@att.net

Secretary

Kevin J. SHELLMAN
kevinjshellman@gmail.com

Treasurer

L. Vaughn OLIVER
v_1857@charter.net

Genealogist (Acting)

Donald G. WOODWORTH
dogowo@aol.com

Registrar (Acting)

Gerald A. GIEGER
gieger@flash.net

Chaplain

Roger L. TATE
rogerltate@tx.rr.com

Historian

Kevin J. SHELLMAN
kevinjshellman@gmail.com

Sergeant-at-Arms

Robert G. GRESHAM
gresham817@att.net

Color Guard Commander

Robert G. GRESHAM
gresham817@att.net

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:

Greetings Compatriots,

After you read this month's newsletter, you can certainly see that April was an extremely busy month. There were numerous awards presented, attendance at the Color Guard Rally, induction of a new member, attendance at the state convention, conducting our monthly chapter meeting at a new location, etc. This newsletter also sets a record for the number of pages—18! There was just lots on which to report and lots of pictures to share!

I wish to recognize the owners of Bacon's Bistro & Café who went out of their way to accommodate us. The service and attention to our needs was superior. Everyone in attendance (and the room was FULL) seemed to agree with this observation and we look forward to meeting there again in May. By the way, the food was excellent!

In May, we look forward to Memorial Day in which we honor all who have sacrificed everything to ensure that we have the freedoms we enjoy to this day. Of special note is our planned participation in the Mt. Gilead Cemetery Memorial Day Commemoration in Keller. Members of the Chapter Color Guard will participate in the firing line. Music begins at 10:30 am and the actual hour-long ceremony begins at 11:00 am.

We also plan to recognize our Eagle Scout Contest winner and runner-up at our May Chapter Meeting.

I have revised our Chapter's New Member Manual and all members will receive a copy of it via email. There is a lot of good information in the Manual for both old and new members. Please be sure to read it for your benefit.

Finally, do not forget to remember your mother on Mother's Day, May 9th. Maybe you and your mom have already been vaccinated? Then of course it is a great time to meet up again for a nice family brunch. But even if that is not possible because of COVID, you can always surprise your mother with beautiful flowers, a card, or another gift. Whatever you choose...when it comes from your heart, she is sure to love it. For me, I will visit and put flowers on my mother's grave.

In brotherly affection,

Ron



Chapter Recognizes MedStar Paramedics

On Thursday afternoon, April 8th, a delegation of Maj. K.M. Van Zandt members visited MedStar Headquarters in Fort Worth to present three paramedics with SAR awards. Pictured left to right are: Compatriot Bill Taylor, Paramedic James Ward, Paramedic Cody Riley, President Ron Turner, Paramedic Trey McDaniel, Vice President Bobby Gresham, Compatriot Mike Connelley, and Compatriot John Anderson. Also attending but not pictured was Mrs. Sarah Connelley.



President Turner presented the SAR EMS Commendation Medal/Certificate to Paramedics Ward and Riley. President Turner described their outstanding contribution as:

"Two Fort Worth MedStar paramedics just happened to be on the North Freeway overpass one icy Thursday morning, February 11, 2021, when a 133-vehicle chain-reaction crash happened before their eyes. The accident killed six people and injured dozens more. Paramedics James Ward and Cody Riley were parked on the shoulder of the southbound I-35W freeway main lanes from an earlier accident on the slippery highway. James Ward was at the wheel. He saw the initial sparks when the first car hit the barrier, and that jackknifed the 18-wheeler and it just set off a chain reaction from there. The barrier was the concrete wall between the main lanes of the freeway and the southbound toll express lanes where the collisions occurred. Some of the wrecked vehicles tipped over the barrier. Their presence on the scene at the time helps explain witness reports of very fast emergency response. Ward could be heard on MedStar radios calling for help within seconds. The two paramedics waited in their

vehicle until authorities blocked traffic and made it safe to cross the main lanes and treat the victims. They began climbing in the wreckage, looking for injured drivers. They made two trips to hospitals, the first with a more seriously wounded patient, the second with several people in the ambulance. "We train for this from day one. We train for a mass casualty incident. But you never expect to actually live one out, especially one of this scale," Riley said."



President Turner then presented the SAR Heroism Medal/Certificate to Paramedic McDaniel. President Turner described his outstanding contribution as:

"A Fort Worth MedStar paramedic who was heading to work on an icy Thursday morning, February 11, 2021, to begin his shift became a victim of the massive 133 car crash on Interstate 35W and despite his own injuries switched into "rescue mode" before his fellow first responders realized he was not on duty and needed help himself. Trey McDaniel was already wearing his medic uniform heading south on the highway when he noticed cars crashing on black ice in front of him. The accident killed six people and injured dozens more. He said there was no way to stop. He slid on the ice and crashed. Looking in his rear-view mirror, he watched as an 18-wheeler barreled towards him at full speed. His car, a 2011 Toyota FJ Cruiser, actually went airborne and landed on the opposite side of the express lanes. McDaniel's face, ankle, back and shoulders, were all banged up. He crawled out of the wreckage and soon was met by arriving firefighters who assumed he was there working. They figured he was part of an ambulance crew that had just rolled in. The firefighters asked him for help treating victims. Without

saying a thing, McDaniels switched from victim to medic. He remembers helping load at least two patients onto backboards and searching for others. Only later did his



fellow first responders realize the situation. McDaniels soon was on the way to the hospital where he was treated and released. Few can say they are both a victim and a hero at the same time."

The award presentation occurred in the ambulance bay with a MedStar ambulance as the background. Afterwards, the delegation toured MedStar's 911 call center.

Congratulations, gentlemen, and THANK YOU for your service to the citizens of Fort Worth and surrounding participating communities!

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

At the April 24th Chapter Meeting, President Ron Turner, assisted by Registrar Gerry Gieger, inducted Compatriot Michael Ty Hobbs into the SAR. Registrar Gerry Gieger pinned Ty with the SAR Rosette. Ty was accompanied by his wife, Mary, who is a member of the Captain Nathaniel Mills Chapter DAR.

Ty's patriot ancestor was Jesse Glasscock who was a private in the Salisbury District, Rowan County, North Carolina Militia. He was born in 1748 in Fairfax County, VA, and died after 1810 in Hardin County, KY.

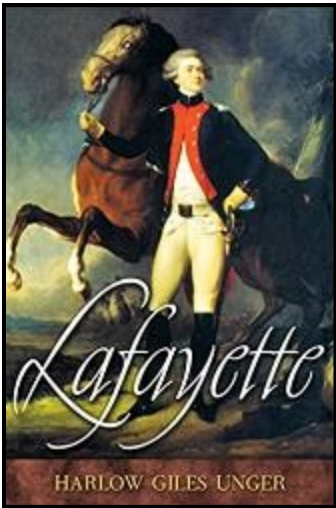


READING for PLEASURE



LAFAYETTE

By Harlow Giles Unger



In this gripping biography, acclaimed author Harlow Giles Unger paints an intimate and detailed portrait of the heroic young French soldier who, at nineteen, renounced a life of luxury in Paris and Versailles to fight and bleed for liberty—at Brandywine, Valley Forge, and Yorktown. A major general in the Continental army, he quickly earned the love of his troops, his fellow commanders, and his commander in chief, George Washington, who called him his “adopted son.” To the troops, he was “the soldier’s friend”; to Americans all, he was “our Marquis.”

In a tale filled with adventure, romance, and political intrigue, Unger follows Lafayette from the battlefields of North America to the palace of Versailles, where the marquis won the most stunning diplomatic victory in world history—convincing the French court to send the huge military and naval force needed to win American independence. He then returned to America to lead the remarkable guerrilla campaign in Virginia that climaxed with British surrender at Yorktown—and earned him the title “Conqueror of Cornwallis.”

Lafayette’s triumph turned to tragedy, however, when he tried to introduce American democracy in his native land. His quest for a constitutional monarchy unwittingly set off the savage French Revolution and plunged Europe into more than a decade of slaughter and war.

Declared an enemy of the state, Lafayette fled France only to be imprisoned for five years in an Austrian dungeon, while his wife, Adrienne, and her family festered in prison, awaiting the cruel blade of the guillotine.

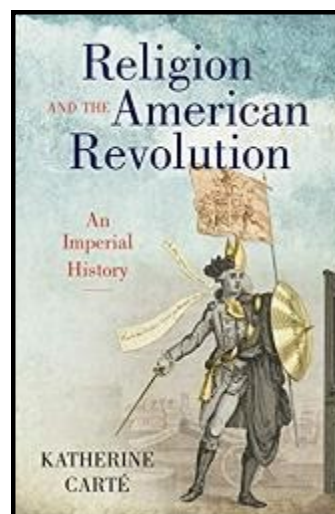
Based on years of research in France as well as in the United States, Unger’s biography reveals how American ambassador James Monroe won Adrienne Lafayette’s freedom and helped Lafayette’s only son, George-Washington Lafayette, escape France to the safety of his godfather’s home in Mount Vernon, even as the guillotine claimed his great-grandmother, grandmother, and aunt.

Lafayette is also a compelling romance, as Lafayette and his beloved, Adrienne de Noailles, feast at their sumptuous wedding banquet, dance at Marie Antoinette’s lavish palace balls, and embrace in anguish in the ghastly Austrian dungeon that Adrienne and her daughters shared with Lafayette for two brutal years.

Inspiring and educational, Lafayette is the dramatic life story of one of the great leaders in American and European history, swept up in the cataclysmic events that spawned the longest-lasting democracy in the New World and prolonged despotism for two centuries in the Old.

RELIGION AND THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

By Katherine Carté



For most of the eighteenth century, British protestantism was driven neither by the primacy of denominations nor by fundamental discord between them. Instead, it thrived as part of a complex transatlantic system that bound religious institutions to imperial politics. As Katherine Carté argues, British imperial protestantism proved remarkably effective in advancing both the

interests of empire and the cause of religion until the war for American independence disrupted it. That

Revolution forced a reassessment of the role of religion in public life on both sides of the Atlantic. Religious communities struggled to reorganize within and across new national borders. Religious leaders recalibrated their relationships to government. If these shifts were more pronounced in the United States than in Britain, the loss of a shared system nonetheless mattered to both nations.

Sweeping and explicitly transatlantic, Religion and the American Revolution demonstrates that if religion helped set the terms through which Anglo-Americans encountered the imperial crisis and the violence of war, it likewise set the terms through which both nations could imagine the possibilities of a new world.



ROTC Awards

In April, Compatriot James Alderman delivered medals and certificates to ROTC units at TCU since neither unit was going to have public presentations due to the current Covid pandemic. The Chapter presented the Silver ROTC Medal to Air Force Cadet Joel L. Jimenez and Army Cadet James Vannelli.



Flag Retirement

Each Texas SAR chapter should present one or more flag retirement each year to qualify the Texas Society for the Admiral William F. Furlong Memorial Award. To qualify for the award more than half of the chapters must present at least one flag retirement. We are now being asked to report flag retirements.

Due to Covid, the Boy Scouts have basically curtailed or eliminated their flag retirement activities. The American Legion usually does two retirement events; one around Flag Day/Patriot Day—June 14, then on the afternoon of Veterans Day—November 11. I am asking you to bring your old flags to our May and October meetings and we will ensure they are delivered to the local American Legion Post #516 since we have a history of holding joint retirements with them.

SEA CADET RECOGNIZED

Compatriot James Alderman, accompanied by his Lady Ja Ann, attended the 25th Commissioning Anniversary of the Lone Star Squadron of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Program on the evening of April 10th at the River Ranch Stockyards in Fort Worth. Compatriot Alderman presented the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to Chief Petty Officer Nathaniel B. Luedicke.



2021 TEXAS COLOR GUARD RALLY

In early March 2021, Texas Society Color Guard Commander Rudy Blair issued a Call to Arms to all Texas SAR Color Guardsmen. The first ever rally was scheduled for Saturday, April 10th, at the Veterans Memorial Plaza in Wimberley, Texas. The plan included musket safety inspection (either flintlock or percussion), post the colors on the main flagpole and retire the same, fire musket salutes, and complete a charge, all while filming the activities. The resulting film is to be shown during future Zoom events, specifically the 126th State Convention on April 16th and 17th.

Approximately 34 guardsmen from around the state responded to the 10:30 a.m. muster call on a beautiful, sunny, yet extremely blustery, spring day. The previous day saw temperatures approaching the mid-90s. Fortunately, a cool front arrived Friday night and the temperatures on Saturday were in the lower 80s. Everyone with a wool uniform coat appreciated the cooler weather.

Apparently, the word got out to the good townspeople of Wimberley and the local DAR chapter as a large crowd showed up to watch and support the activities of the Color Guard.

Following a number of walk-throughs, coats were donned, muskets readied, flags assembled, and the filming began. Guardsmen could be heard joking about “take 1” or “take 2”. Good spirits abounded everywhere you went. It was good to see old friends and to make new ones.

At the conclusion, all guardsmen assembled for presentation of awards. Texas Society President Drake Peddie presented a “July 4th” face mask to all participants. Color Guard Commander Blair Rudy then presented various medals earned by the guardsmen. He presented Chapter President Ron Turner with the NSSAR Color Guard Medal (Bronze).

By 2:00 p.m., the rally was at an end and everyone headed to wherever they were going. Although this was the first rally, it most likely will not be the last.

Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter was represented by President Ron Turner, who was a member of the Flag Squad, and Secretary Kevin Shellman, who was a member of the Musket Squad.



Photo credits:

Gretchen
Kimbro Tooke
Paul Ridenhour
Ron Turner



2021 TEXAS COLOR GUARD RALLY



YOUTH ESSAY AWARDS

On April 24th, President Ron Turner, assisted by Youth Awards Committee Chairman Mike Connelley, presented the Chapter Awards to our two Youth Essay winners.

Todd Roskop was the Chapter winner in the George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Scholarship Contest. President Turner and Compatriot Connelley presented Todd with a medal and certificate and a \$300 check from the Chapter. In addition, President Turner presented Todd with a Certificate of Appreciation from Texas Society President Drake Peddie for his participation in the contest. Todd's parents, Lee & Deanna Roskop, accompanied him.



Andrew Walker, a member of the Chapter, was the Chapter's winner in the C.A.R. Scholarship Essay Contest. President Turner and Compatriot Connelley presented Andrew with a certificate and a \$300 check for his participation in the contest. Andrew also earned an Honorable Mention recognition at the state level of the contest. Andrew belongs to the Joel Terrell Chapter of the C.A.R. Texas Society.



Finally, we recognize Mackenzie Craig for her 5th Place award in the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. MacKenzie entered the contest through the Freedom Chapter in Conroe. That region had an over abundance of entries and our Region 3 had none. To allow as many youth as possible to participate at the state level, we agreed to sponsor an entry from another region. So, the Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter sponsored MacKenzie in the state contest. We have suggested that the Freedom Chapter present Mackenzie with her \$150 scholarship award due to distance constraints between Fort Worth and Conroe.

NEW MEMBER MANUAL

We are revising our New Member Manual to condense it and update it. All members, whether old or new, will receive a copy of it. Look for it in your email within the next couple of weeks! You can also find it on our website under **Membership**.

*Thank
you*

 A close-up image of a fountain pen nib, showing the gold-colored metal and the black barrel.

Good afternoon,

I wanted to thank you for the opportunity to attend the SAR meeting today [April 24th], as well as for the scholarship money, medal, and breakfast. I thoroughly enjoyed reading my essay, speaking with the members who were there, and being reminded of what America is supposed to be about. I think your organization has a commendable goal with a lot of passionate people behind it, which was a wonderful thing to see. Thanks again!

Best regards,

Todd Roskop

126TH ANNUAL CONVENTION UPDATE

The 126th Annual Convention of the Texas Society met via Zoom on the evening of Friday, April 16th, and during the day of Saturday, April 17th. Delegates from the Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter included: President Ron Turner, Registrar Gerry Gieger, Past President James Alderman, Compatriots Art Munford, Bob Jacobs, and Doug Schwetke. Additionally, dual Van Zandt Compatriots Mike Connelley (representing the Denton Chapter), John Anderson (representing the Arlington Chapter), and Bill Schwetke (of the Virginia Society) participated.

NSSAR President General Jack Manning attended the Friday evening session and thus it qualified as a National Color Guard event for anyone dressed in Colonial uniform.

The meeting attracted a high number of attendees both days. Texas Society officers conducted a well-managed Zoom meeting and all business was completed in record time. With two previous state Zoom meetings under their belts, this meeting was a well-oiled machine. Congratulations to the Executive Staff for a great meeting!

There are a lot of changes to the state's public and private websites. Emphasis was especially placed on two new website pages:

- FAQ (public site) <https://txssar.org/faq.htm>
There is a lot of good information in a question and answer format on this page. Go here first if you do not know where else to look.
- Member Training Page (private site) [must log in to see this page...contact an officer for the login credentials, if needed]. This page is located under **Members**. This is an effort to consolidate available Member Training information into a single source.

On Saturday afternoon, the Memorial Service presentation was shown for Compatriots lost in 2020. There were a total of 69 deaths last year...a record for the Texas Society. To view this service and previous services, go to <https://txssar.org>. Click **About Texas SAR**. Click **Chaplain's Corner**. Select the Memorial Service you wish to view.

Following are awards and announcements made during the state convention.

2020 AWARDS TO VAN ZANDT CHAPTER

Last year was a very productive year for the Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter in spite of the Covid pandemic. The Texas Society announced chapter awards for 2020 and our chapter earned the following awards last year:

- ★ **TEXAS SOCIETY FLAG PRESENTATION AWARD**
- ★ **THE E. A. LIMMER AWARD
GROUP 4 (101+ MEMBERS)**
- ★ **THE ROSS SHIPMAN AWARD
GROUP 3 (100+ MEMBERS)**
- ★ **THE TEXAS SOCIETY AMERICANISM AWARD
GROUP 3 (100-199 MEMBERS)**
- ★ **THE TEXAS SOCIETY OUTSTANDING CHAPTER
AWARD
GROUP 3 (100-199 MEMBERS)**

STATE YOUTH AWARDS FOR 2020

The following Youth Awards were announced by the Texas Society at its 2021 Annual Convention:

- ★ **C.A.R. SCHOLARSHIP**
Honorable Mention:
Andrew Walker
Sponsored by Van Zandt Chapter
C.A.R. Society: Joel Terrell Chapter
- ★ **JOSEPH S. RUMBAUGH HISTORICAL ORATION
CONTEST**
5th Place:
Mackenzie Craig
Sponsored by Region 3 - Maj. K.M. Van Zandt
Chapter
\$150 Scholarship

COLOR GUARD AWARDS

The following individuals were awarded either National or State Color Guard Medals

- ★ **TEXAS BRONZE GALVEZ:**
Douglas L. Schwetke
- ★ **NATIONAL BRONZE:**
Ronald J. Turner

PATRIOT MEDAL AWARDEES FOR 2021

Congratulations to the following Texas Society Compatriots who were awarded the highest medal available by a state society:

- ◇ William L. Adriance [Bernardo de Galvez Chapter]
- ◇ Louis P. Colantani [William Hightower Chapter]
- ◇ William M. Hurst, Jr. [Edmund Terrill Chapter]
- ◇ Jack A. Muggli [Robert Rankin Chapter]
- ◇ Melvin L. Oller [Freedom Chapter]
- ◇ Larry D. Spradlin [Col. Turner Sharpe Chapter]

FUTURE STATE MEETINGS

The following is the projected schedule for state meetings. Please add them to your calendar and plan to attend.

- ⇒ August 6-7, 2021, Summer BOM (ZOOM)
- ⇒ October 7-10, 2021, Fall BOM, Clear Lake City
- ⇒ Spring 2022, State Convention, Richardson
- ⇒ August 6, 2022, Summer BOM (ZOOM)
- ⇒ October 2022, Fall BOM, TBD
- ⇒ Spring 2023, State Convention, Houston
- ⇒ August 5, 2023, Summer BOM (Zoom)
- ⇒ October 2023, Fall BOM, TBD

COLOR GUARD MEDALS AWARDED

At the Texas Color Guard Rally held on April 10th in Wimberley, Texas, Texas Color Guard Commander Blair Rudy presented the Bronze National Color Guard Medal to Chapter President Ron Turner. The Bronze National Color Guard Medal is for service at all uniformed Color Guard events. In January 2021, Texas adopted the point system for national medals and there is no time line for this medal. Guardsmen must accumulate 300 points: 5 for Chapter, 10 for State, 20 for National events.



Texas Color Guard Northern Commander, Bob Kubin, presented the Texas Society Bronze Bernardo de Galvez Medal to Compatriot Doug Schwetke at the April 24th Chapter Meeting. The Bronze Galvez medal requires uniformed participation in three (3) Texas state or National Color Guard events OR a one (1) time attendance in the Laredo George Washington Parade. In addition, Commander Kubin presented Compatriot Schwetke with a cockade in red, blue, & white colors.



HOW CAN YOU BEST SERVE THE CHAPTER?

In November, the Chapter will elect a new set of officers to serve in Chapter Leadership positions for the two-year term of 2022-2023. In early summer, Gerry Gieger, our Immediate Past President, will form a Nominating Committee which will be tasked with identifying and developing a slate of officers to present to the Chapter membership for election to office in November. This slate of officers will then be sworn in during our Chapter meeting in January 2022.

The Nominating Committee will be looking for men willing to step up and take leadership roles to ensure the continued success of chapter activities and accomplishments. Are you dedicated to the SAR and to the Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter? Will you answer the call if tapped?

Per our Chapter Constitution & By-laws, we elect the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Genealogist, Chaplain, and Sergeant-At-Arms. Additionally, the Chapter can elect or the President can appoint an Historian and a Color Guard Commander. Finally, the President may appoint volunteers to fill the positions of Webmaster and Newsletter Editor.

President Ron Turner asks that during the coming months you consider taking an active role in leading the Chapter. Read each officer description that follows this article. Examine your qualities. Ask yourself where can you fit in? How can you best serve the Chapter? Do you have experience with any aspects of the roles as described? Even if you have never served in a leadership role in an organization, now may be the time for you step up. One thing to always remember, the Chapter will not let you fail!

Say yes! Get involved!

President

The President shall be the official executive officer of the Chapter and shall be responsible for calling and conducting all meetings of the Chapter and the Board of Managers. He shall appoint the chairmen of all committees unless otherwise provided for, subject to the approval of the Board of Managers. He is the Ex-Officio Chairman of the Board of Managers and a member of all committees of this Chapter. He shall be responsible for the budget and represent the Chapter in public.

IMMEDIATE VICE PRESIDENT

The Immediate Past President supports and mentors the incoming Chapter President and is an integral part of the planning process, along with being an Ex-Officio Member of all committees.

VICE PRESIDENT

The Vice-President shall serve as an understudy of the President and, in the absence of the President, assume the duties of the President's office. He shall perform other assignments he receives from the President.

SECRETARY

The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the official records of the Chapter, recording the minutes of all meetings in a neat and legible manner, keeping the register of all members, advising TXSSAR of membership changes, providing notification of all meetings, conducting the correspondence of the Chapter, and, in the absence of the President and Vice-President, presiding over Chapter meetings. He shall perform other duties the President may assign to him.

TREASURER

The Treasurer shall have the general supervision of collecting, safekeeping, and depositing all funds of the Chapter, dispersing funds only with the prior approval of the President, maintaining the financial records in ready form for an audit at any time, and shall conform to the following:

- A. All funds shall be deposited in the name of the Major K. M. Van Zandt Chapter in such accounts and depositories as shall be designated by the Board of Managers.
- B. Disbursements shall be made by check signed as designated from time to time by the Board of Managers.
- C. He shall perform other duties as assigned by the President.

REGISTRAR

The Registrar shall receive all applications for membership, examine applications for completeness, and forward the required copies and related documentation to the State Registrar; maintain records of all applications received, dates of receipt and mailing to the State Registrar, and results of interim actions ending in final approval of memberships; maintain a membership roster which will include deaths, transfers, dual memberships, dues payments, delinquencies, and a copy of each individual member's record, application, NSSAR Number, and TXSSAR Number.

GENEALOGIST

The Genealogist shall render all reasonable assistance to prospective members in establishing their eligibility for membership.

CHAPLAIN

The Chaplain shall open and close meetings of this Chapter with the service usual and proper for such occasions. He shall, as nearly as practical, stay informed of the health, illness, hospitalization, death, or misfortunes of Chapter members.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

The Sergeant-At-Arms shall retain custody of the Chapter's flags and flag stands and ensure that all flags are properly displayed at all regular meetings and special meetings of the Chapter. He shall coordinate Chapter flag activities and have responsibility for awarding SAR flag certificates. He shall participate as a member of the Chapter Color Guard.

HISTORIAN

The Historian is responsible for collecting and preserving Chapter historical and genealogical materials and conveyance of such materials to the TXSSAR Archives at the University of North Texas.

COLOR GUARD COMMANDER

The Color Guard Commander is responsible for organizing and notifying Color Guard members of various events the Chapter Color Guard is to participate in; assists with determining member's eligibility for awards, and acts as contact for outside groups requesting Color Guard participation.

WEBMASTER

The Webmaster regularly maintains the Chapter's website and also maintains any/all Chapter social media sites.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

The Newsletter Editor Informs members of the Chapter's activities, goals, and achievements through the publication of an "electronic" newsletter, delivered via email attachment. He publicizes future meetings and activities and ensures Chapter publications are interesting and informative. He submits articles and photographs of Chapter activities to respective editors of State and National newsletter publications.

MAY CHAPTER MEETING
MAY 15, 2021

We will meet at

BACON'S BISTRO & CAFÉ
714 GRAPEVINE HWY A
HURST, TX 76054

[Website](#)

[Map](#)

Please mark your calendars accordingly!
Breakfast at 8:30 am - Business Meeting at 9:00 am

Your officers are actively searching for a suitable and permanent location. If you have recommendations, please contact one of the chapter officers.

2021 MEDAL OF HONOR PARADE

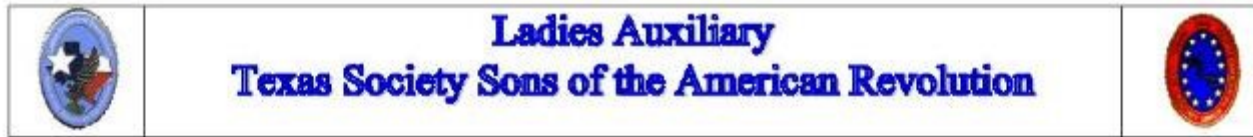
POSTPONED UNTIL
September 25, 2021
Gainesville, Texas

Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Color Guard Members
Take Note!

Our trailer will be one of two trailers in the parade under the SAR North Texas Color Guard banner.

Plan now to participate!

ENCOURAGE YOUR WIFE, DAUGHTERS, MOTHER, AND SISTERS TO JOIN THE LADIES AUXILIARY.



The Ladies Auxiliary was formed in 2004 to assist the Texas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in furthering their mission and goals. We meet during the TXSSAR Annual Meeting and BOMs. The LATXSSAR has been of assistance in raising money for the Youth Programs when the available funds from the Patriot Fund were not enough to meet needs. We also purchased a table for the TXSSAR society in the National Headquarters' new Library. But the best and most wonderful thing is that we can make friends within the SAR wives' community. Many women only attend a meeting when the SAR meets in their region, but have remained members for life, others travel to meetings with their husbands. The ladies have a hospitality room at the meetings and usually have a field trip planned to a place of local interest. Some of our fundraising projects include, three quilts, a Gucci scarf, and silver. The current project is gorgeous stained glass. We have made lap quilts for veterans and helped furnish a new home for women veterans. We would be so pleased to have your chapter ladies join our membership.

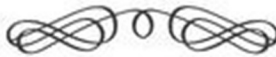


SAR Chapter Name	
------------------	--

Name				Membership Fees	
SAR Contact				Annual	\$5
Address				Lifetime	\$100
City	State	Zip		LATXSSAR pin	\$10
Email				NLASSAR Pin	\$10
Telephone	cell			Total	

Name				Membership Fees	
SAR Contact				Annual	\$5
Address				Lifetime	\$100
City	State	Zip		LATXSSAR pin	\$10
Email				NLASSAR Pin	\$10
Telephone	cell			Total	

Please make checks payable to LATXSSAR. Send completed form and checks to Barbara Stevens, 1706 Chestnut Grove Lane, Kingwood, TX 77345-1911



NORTH TEXAS HONOR GUARD

Bob Kubin, Northern Commander, Texas SAR Color Guard, announced that one of his goals is to establish a North Texas SAR Honor Guard, which will attend the funerals of Compatriots. Commander Kubin will be seeking Guardsmen or anyone interested in participating in this new guard. Participants in the Honor Guard need to be able to practice military precision-type movements, i.e. march in step, know musket and other guard commands, willing to purchase the designated uniform for the Honor Guard, etc. If you are interested, please contact either President Turner or Chapter Color Guard Commander Bobby Gresham. More information will be available in the near future.





FROM THE NATIONAL REGISTRAR'S APPLICATION STATUS REPORT:

Applications Approved in 2021 [approved and registered since the last newsletter]

Feb 05, Michael Ty Hobbs, 218182, 14620, North Richland Hills, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Jesse Glasscock, 1748-aft1810
 Mar 05, Robert Anthony Jacobs, 218481, 14644, Azle, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Samuel Jacobs, 1760-1840
 Mar 05, William Stanley Taylor, Col. (ret.), 218483, 14646, Colleyville, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Charles Hamilton, 1750-1818
 Mar 12, Michael Edward Fussell, 218579, 14658, Burleson, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Charles Moale Croxall, 1756-1831
 Mar 19, Conrad James Kimble, 218649, 14664, Weatherford, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Isaac Booth, 1755-1841
 Mar 19, Clay Tolbert Robinson, 218648, 14663, Mansfield, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Isaac Booth, 1755-1841
 Mar 19, Cullen Bradshaw Robinson, 218647, 14662, Mansfield, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Isaac Booth, 1755-1841
 Mar 19, Patrick James Robinson, 218650, 14665, Mansfield, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Isaac Booth, 1755-1841
Apr 02, Daryl Allan Johnson, 218779, 0, Fort Worth, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Jacob Brumbaugh, 1734-ca1816

CHAPTER REGISTRAR'S REPORT (as of April 29):

Applications in progress (National—3, State—3, Chapter—4)

[under National Review] Robert Perry Bartholow, Jr., 0, 0, Burleson, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Boaz Fleming, 1758-1830
[under National Review] Kirby Lee Boyd, 205305, 13322, Fort Worth, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, John Boyd, 1740-1815
[under National Review] Raymond Ross Hartsfield, 0, 0, North Richland Hills, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Christian Fast, 1762-1841
[under State Review] Rodney Everett Buttermore, Jr., 0, 0, Westworth Village, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Jacob Bottomer, abt 1758-1820
[under State Review] Robert Donald Cochrane, 0, 0, Bedford, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Thomas King, 1754-1847
[under State Review] David Charles Fleming, 0, 0, Fort Worth, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, William Snodgrass, 1760-1849
[under Chapter Review] Claude Cleveland McCutcheon III, 0, 0, Fort Worth, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Shadrack Turner, 1723-1784
[under Chapter Review] Tanner Allan Smith, 0, 0, Fort Worth, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, Wilkins Smith, abt 1766-abt 1859
[under Chapter Review] Charles William Thomas, 0, 0, Weatherford, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, William Thomas Sr, 1741-1800
[under Chapter Review] John Wayne Wheat, 0, 0, Weatherford, TX, ACTIVE/NEW, John Henry Brown, 1765-1847



May 1	Mason Austin Watkins
May 4	Walter Franklin Bowie
May 24	John Clay Patterson, Jr. Jeffrey Donald Pray Gerald Harmon Wise
May 25	David Paul Brown
May 29	Michael Roston Cox Troy Jeffrey Kennedy

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2021

May 15	Chapter Meeting, Bacon's Bistro & Café, Hurst
May 31	Mt. Gilead Cemetery Memorial Day Commemoration, Keller (CG-N)
May / June TBD	North Texas Color Guard drill and musket safety training, Location TBD (CG-S)
June 14	DAR Flag Day Ceremony, Veteran's Park, Fort Worth (CG-S)
June 19	Chapter Meeting, Woodhaven Country Club, Fort Worth
July 4	Independence Day (CG-N)
July 10-15	NSSAR 131st Annual Congress, Renton, Washington (CG-N)
July 17	Chapter Meeting, Woodhaven Country Club, Fort Worth
August 6-7	Summer BOM (CG-S) (ZOOM meeting)
August 21	Chapter Meeting, Woodhaven Country Club, Fort Worth
August 27	South Central District Meeting,
September 18	Chapter Meeting, Woodhaven Country Club, Fort Worth
September 23-25	NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting, Louisville, Kentucky (CG-N)
September 25	Medal of Honor Parade, Gainesville, muster at 9:30 a.m. (CG-S)
October 7-10	Fall Board of Managers meeting, NASA Hilton, Clear Lake City, Texas (CG-S)
October 16	Chapter Meeting, Woodhaven Country Club, Fort Worth
November 11	Veterans Day Parade, Fort Worth (CG-N)
November 13	Audie Murphy Parade, Farmersville (CG-S)
November 20	Chapter Meeting, Woodhaven Country Club, Fort Worth Election of Officers for 2022-2023
December 4	Dickens on the Strand, Galveston (CG-S)
December 18	Wreaths Across America, Oakwood Cemetery, Fort Worth (CG-N)

2022

January 15	Chapter Meeting, Woodhaven Country Club, Fort Worth Installation of Officers for 2022-2023
------------	---

(CG) = Color Guard event, **(C)** = Chapter, **(S)** = State, **(N)** = National

FLY YOUR FLAG

Any day you wish, but especially

George Washington's Birthday
 Patriots' Day (Battle of Lexington & Concord, MA) (Third Monday in April)
 Armed Forces Day (3rd Saturday in May)
 Memorial Day (last Monday in May and half staff until noon)
 Flag Day, 6/14
 Independence Day, 7/4
 Labor Day
 Patriot Day (Terrorists' Attack 2001), 9/11
 Constitution Day, 9/17
 Columbus Day (2nd Monday in October)
 Veterans Day, 11/11

and such other days as may be proclaimed by the President of the United States



THE COLOR GUARD IS ALWAYS RECRUITING

Several times a year the Chapter is asked to present the colors or provide a color guard or honor guard for various civic functions. We are always looking for new members. Please contact the chapter color guard commander, Compatriot Bobby Gresham, at email address: gresham817@att.net.



MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Our chapter membership levels as of March 7, 2021, are:

Active / Current Member	114
NSSAR Life.....	9
TXSSAR Perpetual	10
Active/New Member.....	7
Active/Reinstated (current yr) .	0
Active/Reinstated (Over 1 yr)...	0
Deceased (current yr).....	0
Deceased Perpetual (current yr) 0	
Dual w/Other Primary State.....	3
Emeritus (50+ years)	0
Junior Member/Reinstated.....	0
Junior SAR Member.....	3
Non-Paid Junior Member	1
Not Paid (Current Year).....	16
Reinstated/Transferred In.....	0
Transferred Out.....	0

Our membership currently is **127**.



SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!!!

Visit and bookmark our chapter website at <http://www.txssar.org/KMVanZandt/index.htm>.

Visit and Like/Follow our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/vanzandtsar/>.

Join our Google Group for emails at <https://groups.google.com/forum/?hl=en#!forum/sar-km-van-zandt>.

Visit and Like/Follow the Texas Society Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/txssar>.