



Texas Society
Sons of the American Revolution
Chisholm Trail News



Major K.M. Van Zandt Chapter
Fort Worth, Texas
September 1, 2023

NEXT MEETING: September 16, 2023

TIME: 9:00 am

LOCATION: Diamond Oaks Country Club
5821 Diamond Oaks Dr N, Fort Worth, TX

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**Vanzant Cousin Joins
SAR**

On July 18th, Mrs. Kathy Hanlon, Elizabeth Crockett Chapter (Granbury), NSDAR, contacted me asking me if SAR ever expedited the application process. I assured her that SAR did have procedures in place to handle such situations. Mrs. Hanlon then requested we expedite a gentleman's SAR application. She was working on documenting a new member application for Fred Arlis Vanzant of Lowell, Arkansas.

Mrs. Hanlon advised me that Mr. Vanzant was 98 years old and in failing health. Mr. Vanzant expressed a desire to join the Sons of the American Revolution before he died and expressly desired to join the Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter in Fort Worth, Texas, as he thought he was related to Maj. Van Zandt.

Mrs. Hanlon transferred the application and supporting proof documents to me via Dropbox that same day and I began my review process. I contacted Jerry Pinkerton, Inland Registrar, Texas SAR, on July 24th and requested expedited processing from Gary Green, Genealogist General. We received approval quickly, in fact, the next day (July 25th).

Mrs. Hanlon also included Mr. Vanzant's daughter, Katharine Vanzant Arno, of North Carolina. Mrs. Arno is also a member of the DAR. Following my review, I expedited the application on July 21st to Mrs. Arno who was visiting her father in northwestern Arkansas. Un-



Fred Arlis Vanzant signs his application in the presence of two of his four grandsons, David Arno on the left and Daniel Arno on the right.

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fortunately due to the weekend, it did not arrive in Lowell until Monday, July 24th. She returned the signed application to me via overnight delivery since Jerry was leaving on a cruise later in the week. I met Jerry in the lobby of his high-rise on July 26th and witnessed his signing the application. He mailed it the next day to Lexington, Kentucky.

I was notified that Mr. Vanzant's application was approved and registered on August 9th. The national office mailed Mr. Vanzant's membership certificate and new member packet the same day to the Texas SAR Secretary for processing.

I contacted Mel Oller, Texas SAR Secretary, to alert him to expedite the certificate directly to me once he concluded his processing of the new member. I received the packet on August 16th.

At the August Chapter Meeting, the membership approved the awarding of the SAR War Service Medal to Mr. Vanzant for his service during World War II. I printed the certificate and fortunately, we had a medal in stock. I also included the SAR Rosette in the presentation case with the medal.

On August 17th, I sent the entire packet to Mrs. Arno who received it on Monday, August 21st. She framed the two certificates that day as she was leaving for Northwest Arkansas the next day.

It is such a satisfactory feeling to know that individuals from the DAR and the SAR worked so closely to get a very elderly gentlemen into the SAR and to fulfill one of his last wishes before he departs this earthly life.

FRED ARLIS VANZANT

By Katharine Vanzant Arno

Fred Arlis Vanzant joined the Navy in early 1943 when he was 17 years old. Fred boarded a train to Camp Perry outside Williamsburg, Virginia (today it belongs to the CIA "the Farm") for intensive training before heading to Port Hueneme in California. While there, he attended technical school, which the Navy calls "A-school". Fred was a Navy seaman — also known as an Army engineer or Seabee — in the Construction Battalion and wore both the Marine and Navy uniforms depending on his

assignment. From 1943 to 1945, Fred spent his time in the sweltering jungles of the South Pacific islands. Seabees in the Pacific theaters built airfields, supply depots, advance bases for men and materials, training areas, repair bases, and bridges. They often worked on these projects while under enemy fire and in record time.

After 28 months in the jungle, Fred was admitted to the hospital on Midway Island with lymphoreticulosis fever. After his hospital stay, he was invited to a USO show with Bob Hope, Boris Karloff, and Frances Langford and was seated at their table. Towards the end of the war, Fred trained to invade Japan and had just taken their physical at Aiea Naval Hospital in Hawaii when news came that the war ended, and Japan surrendered. He returned as a Navy Petty Officer 2nd class (same rank as a Staff Sergeant in the Army).

After WWII, Fred wanted to live life to the fullest. With his love of flying, he built a Piper Cub airplane and began crop-dusting cotton fields. Fred returned to Northwest Arkansas to pursue a young lady, Kahylene Graham, whom he met before the war at a small community church while her parents performed with their singing group. He was just 17 years old, and she was 15. Kahylene wrote to Fred for the entire time he was in the Pacific, and he carried her photo with him. He planned to marry her and if she refused then he would move to Saudi Arabia, become a pilot for Standard Oil and perform aerial inspections of their pipelines. Fred used to fly over Kahylene's farm and under the electric wires. She agreed to marry him provided he stopped his daredevil stunts! Fred and Kahylene went on to be married for more than 68 years and had six children, 17 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren. They remained in Northwest Arkansas for the rest of their lives and served their community.

In 1949, Fred and Kahylene purchased their first farm and began planting apples, peaches, and grapes while remodeling its old home built in the 1850s. Both of their families had grown produce since the early 1800s in that area and Fred and Kahylene wanted to carry on their family legacy. They built a successful business and packed produce for large grocery stores across the country. Fred has served in his church and community for the last 70 years. He was a gifted singer and often sang at church,

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community gatherings, retirement homes, and funerals until was diagnosed with throat cancer diagnosis when he was 88 years old. He never would take payment and enjoyed performing for others and their loved ones. Food donations to the local food pantries were important to him and he encouraged other farmers to donate. He and his family supported many migrant workers by providing food, water, books, and other items they needed to better their lives. Today, at 98 years old, he continues to be active in the community and donates to food pantries.

As a farmer, he served as a board member of Welch Foods, Inc. for 13 years. Welch's is owned by 1,054 family farmers across America and Canada. Best known for their grape jelly, their products are sold throughout the United States and in over 50 countries around the globe. He also served on the National Grape board for 20 years of the National Grape Cooperative. Fred also served as the President of the Arkansas Horticultural Society and served on their board. In 1980, Fred and his family were recognized as the Northwest Arkansas Farm and District Farm Family of the Year. Fred and his family were invited by Governor Bill Clinton and Hillary Clinton to the



Fred Arlis Vanzant holds the award from his daughter's home chapter in North Carolina. The Halifax Convention DAR chapter gave him the DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal award. Fun fact, when Kathy Hanlon was a National chair, she created this award.

governor's mansion and recognized for their work in the community for better health and food. This program was started in 1947 and is still running today and is the oldest farmer recognition program in the country.

In July of 2023, Fred was recognized by the daughters of the American Revolution with a certificate and DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal for his service. Fred is honored to become a member of the SAR through the Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter of Fort Worth, Texas. He is the third cousin once removed of Maj. K.M. Van Zandt.

Throughout his 98 years, Fred has served his country and community with his many talents. He often says that he simply "strives to leave every endeavor better than he found it."

So, just what is Mr. Vanzant's lineal connection to Maj. K.M. Van Zandt? It took me less than 30 minutes to work out the connection. The common ancestor is Garrett Vinsant, born abt 1726 and died in 1787.

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Congratulations, Vaughn!

Compatriot Vaughn Oliver received a note from Congresswoman Kay Granger on August 17, 2023, congratulating him on his selection to receive the Texas 12 – 2023 Congressional Veteran Commendation.

The Congressional Veteran Commendation is a nominations-based program designed to honor the wartime sacrifices and peacetime community involvement of residents of the 12th Congressional District of Texas.

Eligibility requirements are:

- Veteran must currently reside in the 12th Congressional District of Texas.
- Veteran was active duty in the United States armed forces or was a reservist called to active duty.
- Veteran retired from the United States Armed Forces or was honorably discharged.

A carefully selected Review Board reviews the nominations and makes recommendations to Congresswoman Granger.

Congratulations, Vaughn! A well-deserved honor!



Garrett Vinsant abt 1726-1787	
Garrett Vinsint Patriot 1755-1830	Jacob Van Zandt Patriot 1751-1818
Jacob Vanzant 1791-1870	Jacob Van Zandt 1786-1834
Samuel L. Vanzant 1831-1899	Isaac Van Zandt 1813-1847
Fredrick L. Vanzant 1880-1950	Khleber Miller Van Zandt 1836-1930
Fred Arlis Vanzant 1925	



*On behalf of the
Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter,
we extend our sincere condolences
to President Bobby Gresham,
the Gresham & White families,
on the passing of
sister, wife, mother, grandmother
Allison Gresham White
on August 25, 2023*

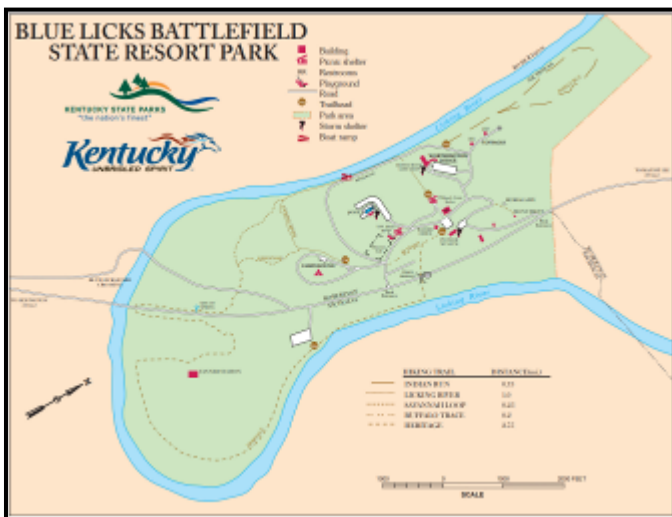


The Battle of Blue Licks

By Ron D. Bryant

The Battle of Blue Licks has the combined drama of frontier warfare and the Revolutionary War. On August 19, 1782, nearly seventy Kentuckians died in what some historians have called the “Last Battle of the American Revolution” While that claim is debatable, the struggle at Blue Licks embodies the conflict between the American Indian, Kentucky settlers, and the British Crown.

Although Lord Charles Cornwallis had surrendered British forces at Yorktown, Virginia on October 19, 1781, bringing to a close the major hostilities of the American Revolution, isolated conflicts between the Americans, British, and Indians still occurred. The Kentucky frontier experienced some of the bloodiest British and Indian raids of the war. With the surrender of Cornwallis, many Kentuckians hoped that the attacks on their homes and settlements had come to an end. Unknown to them, a large force of British and Indians had gathered at Old Chillicothe, Ohio, to prepare for a raid on the frontier settlements.



The British invasion force, made up of an estimated 1,100 men, included a number of Butler's Rangers from Canada, along with Shawnee and Wyandot Indians. Their invasion plans had targeted Wheeling, West Virginia, but on their way there they received word that George Rogers Clark and the Americans had planned a possible attack on Shawnee territory. The majority of the Shawnee decided to return home to defend their homes. British commander William Caldwell and Captain Alexander McKee, along

with sixty Canadians and about three hundred Indians, some Shawnee, Delaware, Chippewa, Mingo, Ottawa, and mostly Wyandot, changed their plans and decided to attack some of the Kentucky outposts. They chose Bryan's Station, north of Lexington. On August 15, 1782, Caldwell's force surrounded the fortified settlement. Seeing that Bryan's Station had stronger defenses than anticipated, the British and Indians withdrew. The retreat from Bryan's Station seemed to signal the beginning of the end of the British invasion of Kentucky.

When word of the attack on Bryan's Station reached other Kentucky settlements, groups of militiamen prepared to come to their neighbor's defense. Col. John Todd, commander of the Fayette County militia, raised a force of 180 men comprised of about 130 men from Lincoln County under the command of Lt. Col. Stephen Trigg, and about 45 men from Fayette County under the command of Lt. Col. Daniel Boone, to help repulse the enemy. Col. Benjamin Logan and a large force of militia were also on their way to assist their beleaguered fellow Kentuckians. By the time Todd and his militiamen arrived at Bryan's Station the enemy had gone. Instead of waiting for Logan and reinforcements, Todd decided to pursue and overtake the British and Indians. His decision would be disastrous. While the British and the Indians had left Bryan's Station intact, in reality they were waiting for the Kentuckians to catch up with them.

The retreating invasion force left Todd and his men an excellent trail to follow. On August 19, the Kentucky militia caught up with the British and Indians at Blue Licks. The night before the battle Todd's men had debated whether they should wait for Logan and his force or engage the enemy at once. According to legend, Major Hugh McGary insisted that the militia attack immediately. Boone warned of a possible ambush from surrounding ravines, but to no avail. On the day of the battle McGary supposedly rode his horse into the waters of the Licking River, waving his hat and calling out, "All those who are not cowards, follow me!" His fellow Kentuckians charged after him.

As they reached the north shore of the Licking, the Kentuckians began to ready for an attack. An advance column of the militia then proceeded up a hill where some Indi-

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ans had been spotted, followed by three groups of the main force. Todd commanded the center; Trigg led the right flank, and Boone the left. As the advance party reached within fifty yards of an area of ravines, the British and Indians who had been lying in wait launched their attack.

Within fifteen minutes the Kentucky militiamen had been defeated. The British and Indians inflicted heavy casualties on the surprised Kentuckians, forcing them to flee for their lives. Both Todd and Trigg died in the battle, as did Daniel Boone's youngest son, Israel. A few of the Kentucky militia stood their ground, trying to provide cover for their retreating comrades. The Indians pursued the routed Kentuckians for about two miles, and then came back to the battlefield to scalp and mutilate their victims. The Kentuckians had lost some seventy men. The British and Indians suffered about two dozen casualties with only ten killed. Logan's force of 500 men met some of the fleeing survivors about five miles from the battle site. Logan and his men arrived at Blue Licks and buried the grisly remains of their fallen comrades.

The Battle of Blue Licks did not have an effect on the



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August Chapter Meeting

Revolutionary War. It did, however, cause Gen. George Rogers Clark to lead another military expedition against the Indians in Ohio. He destroyed Chillicothe and five other Indian towns in his reprisal for Blue Licks. The power of the Indians in the Old Northwest had been forever weakened. Within a few years the American Indian would lose control of their land north of the Ohio River.

With the deaths of Todd, Trigg, and others, the Kentucky frontier lost some of their most prominent leaders. The Battle of Blue Licks had again proven the vulnerability of the Kentucky settlements to attack. Not until the end of the War of 1812 would Kentuckians feel secure from possible Indian raids from across the Ohio River.

The Battle of Blue Licks continues to evoke debate among historians. The ambush and resounding defeat of the Kentuckians by the British and Indians could have endangered the security of the western frontier for the American cause. The Blue Licks battle was a great victory for the American Indian, but in the long run, their victory helped doom their control of the Old Northwest.

On August 19, 1928, the 136th anniversary of the battle, Federal Judge A.M.J. Cochran of Maysville, chairman of the Blue Licks Battlefield Monument Commission, called to order an estimated audience of ten thousand people for the formal dedication ceremonies of the Blue Licks Battlefield State Park. In 1928 the Kentucky General Assembly appropriated money for the erection of a granite monument inscribed with the names of those who died on August 19, 1782. At the base of the monument would be the names of the Indian tribes that fought in the battle.

The Battle of Blue Licks is rightfully considered one of the worst American military defeats of the Revolutionary War. However, the battle was also an inspiration to the settlers on the Kentucky frontier to resolve to secure their lands once and for all from Indian invasion. Within less than a decade, of the Blue Licks debacle, Kentucky would become the fifteenth state of the American Republic. The harshness of the frontier and the horrors of that August day in 1782 would soon become a nothing more than a distant memory.

Compatriot Vann Cunningham presented an very interesting program on the list of top ten facts about the American Revolution. Those facts are:

- 1) Bloodiest battle was Breed's Hill (Bunker Hill engagement) with 1,000 British killed and 400 colonists killed.
- 2) Lafayette was made Major General at 19 and coordinated French forces at Yorktown which outnumbered the American troops.
- 3) Spying was urged by George Washington and personally oversaw the Culper Spy Ring who used invisible ink.
- 4) John Paul was wanted for two murders and added the surname Jones after he moved to America. John Paul Jones attacked a British port in Ireland and tried to kidnap a Scottish Earl to trade for Americans impressed in the British Navy.
- 5) Paul Revere was a silversmith who made dentures and first used forensic dentistry to identify a body.
- 6) Lybil Ludington was the 16-year-old daughter of Colonel Henry Ludington who made an all-night horseback ride 40 miles to notify militia forces in neighboring towns after the burning of Danbury, Connecticut by British troops.
- 7) Nowhere in the Declaration of Independence is the word "independence" used. It does mention "free and independent States." Only one person signed on July 4th and that was John Hancock.
- 8) Daughters of Liberty tarred and feathered people with molasses and flowers instead of hot tar and feathers.



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- 9) Deborah Sampson disguised herself as a man named Robert Shurtleff and joined the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment. She was discovered during a hospital stay, received an honorable discharge and was granted a pension.
- 10) The Patriot Arm was ordered to undergo variolation by George Washington to obtain immunity from smallpox. Men were infected with live smallpox and spent a month recovering but were now immune.

SAR Dues Increase

At Congress held in July, the membership voted to increase certain dues by \$15 per year effective September 1, 2023. This raises National’s portion of the dues from \$35 to \$50 for members in these classes:

- Regular members
- C.A.R. Transfers
- Reinstatements

Texas SAR has not voted to increase dues for 2024 nor has the Chapter voted to increase dues.

BACKGROUND

- During the 12 years ended 2015, dues increased only \$15 (from \$20 to \$35).
- The last dues increase has been 10 years ago.
- The Consumer Price Index (CPI) has risen approximately 24% since 2015.
- Membership growth has stalled during the last 5 years.

RATIONALE FOR THE INCREASE

- Resources are needed for the 5-year Operational Plan
 - Streamline and Speed Up Application Process
 - Comprehensive Insurance Coverage
 - Online Dues Collection Process
 - Digitization and IT Projects
 - Public Relations and Marketing
- Eliminate future projected operating deficits.
- Fulfill the goals and objectives of the approved 5-year Operational Plan
 - Fund our immediate Marketing Plan Goals for America 250 Events
 - Relieve Society and Chapter burdens of the annual Dues Billing and Collection Tasks
 - Address comprehensive Insurance Coverage issues at the National level on behalf of every Society and Chapter
- Make our Digital Library and Revolutionary War Database the single best “Go To” source for American Revolution and Genealogical Research



Texas SAR Monument Project GoFundMe Page

Texas SAR has set up a GoFundMe page to raise funds for the planned monument to be placed at the Texas State Cemetery in Austin. The monument will honor American Patriots buried in Texas and will be dedicated in concurrence with the 250th Anniversary of the founding of our great nation!

Please share this link with friends & family through email and social media. [GoFundMe!](#)

Currently, we have pledges for about one-third of the expected project cost. Texas SAR hopes to raise at least \$20,000 through GoFundMe.

To obtain further details about the project, go to [Texas SAR Monument Project](#) on the Texas SAR Public Website.

Thank you for your help and interest in making this project happen.

Richard Zdunkewicz
Chairman, Monument Committee



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WREATHS *across* AMERICA

Our Mission: Remember the fallen, Honor those who serve, and Teach the next generation the value of freedom.

MAJ. K.M. VAN ZANDT CHAPTER, TEXAS SOCIETY, NSSAR (TX0790P)

Please help us Remember, Honor, and Teach on December 16, 2023 at 12:00 pm by sponsoring a wreath, volunteering, or inviting friends to help.

SPONSOR WREATHS

VOLUNTEER



REMEMBER the Fallen. . . HONOR those who Serve. . . TEACH our children the value of Freedom.

Welcome to the Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter, Texas Society, NSSAR (TX0790P)'s Wreaths Across America Page.

On December 16, 2023 at 12:00 pm, Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter, Texas Society, NSSAR (TX0790P) will be helping Oakwood Cemetery to Remember and Honor our veterans by laying Remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes.

Please help us honor and remember as many fallen heroes as possible by sponsoring remembrance wreaths, volunteering on Wreaths Day, or inviting your family and friends to attend with you.

The deadline for sponsoring wreaths for 2023 is midnight on November 27th.

Thank you so much for supporting the Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter, Texas Society, NSSAR (TX0790P) and Wreaths Across America!

The link to our sponsor site is <https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/161399>.

Share the above link with your family, friends, neighbors!

November 30th is the deadline for 2022 sponsorship of wreaths.

Are you receiving the monthly
 Invitation/RSVP
 to Chapter Meetings?

If not, the invitation may be going to
 your Spam or Trash folder.

Add mail@mail.punchbowl.com to
 your contacts list to ensure delivery
 of this important email each month.

We began using an email invitation with RSVP response
 in April when we moved our chapter meetings to Dia-
 mond Oaks Country Club. This was due to DOCC re-
 quiring a headcount for setup/food & beverage prior to
 our meeting.

The chart below provides some interesting statistics on
 the response rate for the invitation. All members and
 prospective members with valid email addresses are sent
 the meeting invitation. The list is now averaging 170-175
 emails monthly.

Either many of you are not receiving it or you choose to
 ignore the request to RSVP.

Month	YES	NO	Undecided	TOTAL
April 15	31	16	61	108
May 20	27	4	131	162
Jun 17	19	11	139	169
Jul 15	24	5	142	171
Aug 12	20	6	149	175



CHAPTER LAPEL PINS FOR SALE

\$5 per pin

Available each month at chapter meetings

\$7.50 per pin with delivery via USPS
 includes packaging & shipping

Contact Ron Turner

All proceeds from the sale of pins support the
 Chapter's Goodman Youth Fund and the Pray TCU
 Awards Fund.

Get yours
 today!



Support
 our Youth!

CHAPTER NAME BADGES

All members are encouraged to purchase a name badge.

Wear it to chapter meetings!

Use it to advertise the SAR and the Chapter at other
 events you attend.

Badges are \$14 plus tax.

Order yours at

<https://stores.inksoft.com/sartx/shop/home>



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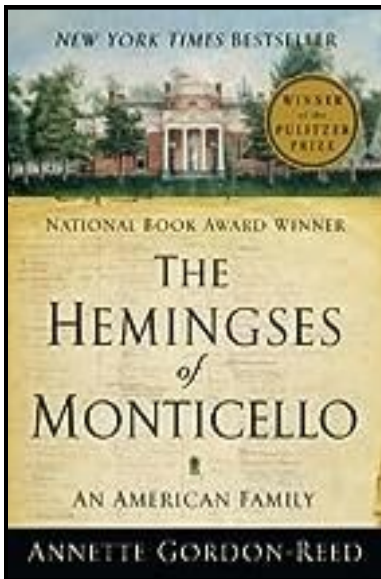
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 Fort Worth

READING for PLEASURE



The Hemingeses of Monticello: An American Family

By Annette Gordon-Reed

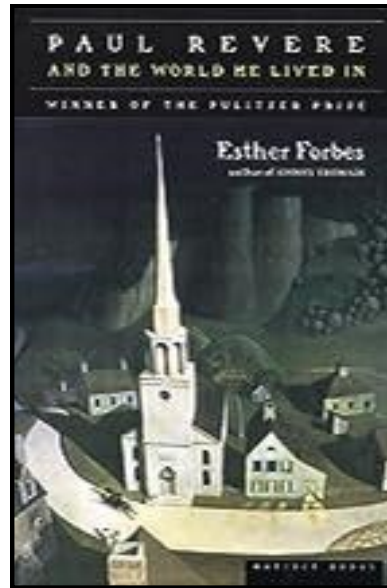


This epic work—named a best book of the year by the Washington Post, Time, the Los Angeles Times, Amazon, the San Francisco Chronicle, and a notable book by the New York Times—tells the story of the Hemingeses, whose close blood ties to our third president had been systematically expunged from American history until very recently. Now, historian and legal scholar Annette Gordon-Reed traces the Hemings family from its origins in Virginia in the 1700s to the family’s dispersal after Jefferson’s death in 1826.

Paul Revere And The World He Lived In

By Esther Hoskins Forbes)

This vivid account of the life and times of Paul Revere was first published in 1942 to great acclaim and a Pulitzer Prize. An elegant storyteller and expert historian, Edith Forbes paints a memorable portrait of American colonial



history and of this most legendary of revolutionary heroes -- "not merely one man riding one horse on a certain lonely night of long ago, but a symbol to which his countrymen can yet turn."



Another RV Donation

Compatriot Joe Wade worked with Mike Connelley to get another RV donated for a Veteran or other homeless family. Joe’s friend, Danny Kidwell, made the donation and the trailer was picked up on July 18th.



O God, the earth is thirsty for rain and we wait for you to refresh the land and all its creatures, the rivers and lakes, the crops and gardens.

Send abundant rain, we pray, and teach us to be better stewards of all the blessings you provide, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Compatriot
Society Anniversaries*

September

Jerry Davis Minton	41
Matthew Micajah Truitt	25
Ronald M. Vandiver	17
Thomas Paul Wilkinson	17
Zachary Vann Cunningham	10
Rolland Jory Moraine	8
James Frederick Thorp	1

Thank you for your continued service to our Society and your dedication to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and promoting education to future generations



Chapter Challenge Coins

\$10 per coin

Available at all Chapter Meetings
Available via USPS with \$1.50 postage fee

Contact Ron Turner to order

This is the perfect way to advertise the SAR and our Chapter by handing out challenge coins to non-members, family, and friends!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2023

September 16	Chapter Meeting, 9:00am, Diamond Oaks Country Club, Fort Worth
September 16	DAR Constitution Day Luncheon, Ridglea CC, Fort Worth, (CG-C)
September 21-23	Fall Leadership Conference, Louisville, KY (CG-N)
September 26	Capt. Molly Corbin DAR Naturalization Service, Grapevine Botanical Garden (CG-C)
October 20-22	Texas SAR Fall Board of Managers Meeting, College Station
October 21	Chapter Meeting, 9:00am, Diamond Oaks Country Club, Fort Worth
October 28	Patriot Grave Marking, Washington, LA, 10:30 am, (CG-N)
October 28	Patriot Grave Marking, Opelousas, LA, 1:00 pm, (CG-N)
November 4 or 11	Capt. Molly Corbin DAR Luncheon, (CG-C)
November 5	Massing of the Colors, 2:30 pm, Birchman Baptist Church, Fort Worth (CG-N) [muster at 2:00 pm]
November 11	Veterans Day Parade, 9:00 am muster, Panther Island Parking Lot, Fort Worth (CG-N)
November 18	Chapter Meeting, 9:00am, Diamond Oaks Country Club, Fort Worth
December 16	Wreaths Across America, 12:00 noon, Oakwood Cemetery, Fort Worth (CG-N)

2024

April 11-14	129th Annual Texas SAR State Convention, San Antonio, TX (CG-S)
July 10-16	134th NSSAR Congress, Lancaster, Pennsylvania (CG-N)

2025

TBD	130th Annual Texas SAR State Convention, TBA, TX (CG-S)
July 12-18	135th NSSAR Congress, Uncasville , Connecticut (CG-N)

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



SAR Dues Increase *(continued from page 8)*

- Develop user-friendly Digital Membership and Supplemental Applications
- Streamline and combine all Society and Chapter Reporting requirements
 - Digital Americanism-style Report that can emulate the Dashboard approach used in the SAR Membership Database.

also Save Time and Money

- Membership Growth has been curtailed over the last five years, primarily due to the effects of the Pandemic and an Inflationary economy. NSSAR has been lucky to maintain its pre-Covid membership levels.
- NSSAR must return to—and exceed—its prior 3% growth rates.

SUMMARY

- A Dues Increase is necessary
- By 2024, it will have been 10 Years since the last Dues Increase
- Streamlined and Safeguard services cost money, but

This information is from a Proposed Dues Increase presentation to the Trustees at the 2023 Congress.



CHAPTER REGISTRAR'S REPORT (as of August 11th):

Applications in progress (National—6, State—1)

[Please note that *The Chisholm Trail News* only list those applications that have been submitted for State and National review.]

- [National Review] Kenneth Kimberlin Brimer Jr, 178249, 10933, Aledo, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, Thomas Connelley,
- [National Review] Kenneth Kimberlin Brimer Jr, 178249, 10933, Aledo, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, John King
- [National Review] Robert Anthony Jacobs, 218481, 14644, Azle, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, Noah Wiswall, 1727-1813
- [National Review] Gregory Alan Riffel, 0, 0, Fort Worth, TX, **NEW**, Abraham Stover, 1747-1809
- [National Review] **PENDEd** Tanner Allan Smith, 220894, 14872, Boulder, CO, SUPPLEMENTAL, Wilkins C. Smith, 1766-1861
- [National Review] Scott George Stoddard, 0, 0, Keller, TX, **NEW**, David Stoddard, 1726-1777
- [State Review] James Vann Cunningham, 188365, 11678, Arlington, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, Joel Perkerson, bef 1760-aft 1820



FROM THE NATIONAL REGISTRAR'S APPLICATION STATUS REPORT:

Applications Approved in 2023 [approved and registered since the last newsletter]

- Jan 27, Bryant McLean Jarrell, 225131, 15644, Hudson Oaks, TX, **NEW**, George Martin Shofner, 1758-1838
- Feb 17, Joseph Paul DeWoody, 212833, 14126, Fort Worth, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, James Black, 1728-1818
- Feb 17, Joseph Paul DeWoody, 212833, 14126, Fort Worth, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, Moses Hurt, abt 1725-bef 1806
- Feb 17, Joseph Paul DeWoody, 212833, 14126, Fort Worth, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, Adam Lackey, bp 1759-1836
- Feb 17, Joseph Paul DeWoody, 212833, 14126, Fort Worth, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, Alexander Oliver, 1736-1830
- Feb 17, Joseph Paul DeWoody, 212833, 14126, Fort Worth, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, Micajah Stone, abt 1745-bef 1799
- Feb 17, Joseph Paul DeWoody, 212833, 14126, Fort Worth, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, James Turner, 1710-bef 1793
- Mar 24, Richard Leon Vandever, 225752, 15707, North Richland Hills, TX, **NEW**, Peter Doshier, 1762-1838
- Mar 24, Colton Lawrence Williams, 225479, 15704, Southlake, TX, FAMILY **NEW**, John Floyd, 1758-1836
- Mar 24, Nathaniel David Williams, 225750, 15705, Southlake, TX, FAMILY **NEW**, John Floyd, 1758-1836
- Mar 24, Samuel Clay Williams, 225751, 15706, Southlake, TX, FAMILY **NEW**, John Floyd, 1758-1836
- Apr 21, Mark Todd Nash, 226199, 15757, Southlake, TX, **NEW**, Garret Dungan, abt 1740-bef 1820
- Apr 28, Kenneth Kimberlin Brimer Jr, 178249, 10933, Aledo, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, John W. Connally, 1765-aft 1819
- May 12, John Wayne Wheat, 226536, 15777, Weatherford, TX, **NEW**, Edward Jackson, 1755-1845
- May 26, Joe Vic Wade, 226754, 15791, Fort Worth, TX, **NEW**, James Turner, abt 1745-bef 1806
- Aug 8, Fred Arlis Vanzant, 227450, 0, Lowell, AR, **NEW**, Garrett Vansant, abt 1755-1830
- Aug 11, Charles William Thomas, 221400, 14897, Weatherford, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL, Joseph Rhoades, abt 1745-bef 1799
- Aug 25, Ronald Joe Turner, 198382, 12354, Euless, TX, SUPPLEMENTAL Joseph Barnett, 1731-1802



- September 2 Malcolm Scott Rees
- September 12 Matthew Lincoln Achorn
- September 13 Mark David Parkison
- September 18 Scott Alan Davis
- September 15 Warren C. Russell
- September 21 Michael Lawrence Connelley
- September 25 Steven James Hole
Charles Keith Webster
- September 27 Luther Vaughn Oliver
- September 29 Arthur Maxwell Thomas III
- September 30 Gerald Allen Gieger



250th Anniversary of the American Revolution 2025-2033

The National Society Sons of the American Revolution has challenged every SAR State Society and Chapter to recognize those events that led to the American Revolution, as well as those events that occurred during the Revolution. Each SAR State Society and Chapter should hold public venues to educate, recognize, honor, and celebrate the events and heroes of the period surrounding the American Revolution. These events will be significant events related directly to acts of resistance of British attempts to coerce the residents in America from the first Parliamentary Act, through the armed struggle, until the Treaty of Paris.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Our chapter membership levels as of August 31, 2023, are:

Active / Current Member.....	108
NSSAR Life	7
TXSSAR Perpetual.....	9
Active/New Member	9
Active/Reinstated (current yr)	3
Active/Reinstated (Over 1 yr)	0
Deceased (current yr)	1
Deceased Perpetual (current yr).....	0
Dual w/Other Primary State	2
Emeritus (50+ years).....	0
Junior Member/Reinstated	0
Junior SAR Member	3
Non-Paid Junior Member.....	0
Not Paid (Current Year)	25
Not Paid Dual State.....	1
Reinstated/Transferred In	1
Transferred In	0
Dual Members (other chapters)	3

Our active membership currently is **126**.

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Vice President District 5 Ron Turner



will give you one of these lapel pins when you bring in and sponsor a new member application and NSSAR approves it.

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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 Vann Cunningham, at email address: b155549@gmail.com.



Thank you for your continued support of the Chapter and the SAR

God Bless America

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The Sons of the American Revolution is the leading male lineage society that perpetuates the ideals of the War for Independence.

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The American's Creed

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed, a democracy in a republic, a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States, a perfect union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

William Tyler Page, 1917, accepted by the U.S. House of Representatives on April 3, 1918.

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