## TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MCKINNEY CHAPTER #63 MCKINNEY, TEXAS JUNE 10, 2010 MEETING MINUTES



**President Don Sielert** opened the meeting and welcomed all present at 7:15 P. M.

Chaplain Mike Yarbrough gave the invocation.

The pledge to the American Flag was given by **Pete McLellan.** 

The pledge to the Texas Flag was given by Billy Thompson

The pledge to the SAR Flag was given by John Greer.

The treasurer report was given by **Billy Thompson**. A balance of \$511.45 was reported as the current amount in the bank.

**President Sielert** first reported on the Flag Retirement Ceremony that was conducted in the month of May 2010. He gave the number of children that helped with the ceremony. Member Mike Ghormley had the pictures from the ceremony and had placed them on the overhead TV for the members to view prior to the regular meeting. We would like to thank Mike's son for taking all of the pictures due to Mike not being able to attend.

President Sielert introduced Mr. Jim Ryan of the Collin County Historical Commission. A very interesting report was given by Mr. Ryan concerning the Historic Asset Survey Project that is being conducted within Collin County. This survey is the only one being conducted on a county wide basis within the state of

Texas. Mr. Ryan reported that there are 431 historic sites within the boundaries of Collin County. A sign-up sheet was passed out requesting anyone that wished to volunteer on this project to please fill out the contact information and return to him.

**President Sielert** then introduced John Greer who gave a detailed listing of ways that the chapter is able to gain points for the chapter annual report. John gave many items that we normally don't even think about being good items to report on at the end of the year. He gave an example of a sheet that he had developed for individual members to keep up with items that they have done during the year.

President Sielert introduced Mr. Frank Roma of the McKinney Fire Department. An introduction was made by Mr. Roma of Mr. Tim Hartman who is the EMS Trainer for the McKinney Fire Department. Mr. Hartman also is the ER Doctor for the McKinney Hospital. He gave a brief story of how he got started in the ER work as a young man. The SAR EMS Medal was presented to Dr. Hartman for the great work that he performs within the McKinney EMS group and for his great work that he does within the McKinney Hospital.

The War Service Medal and the Service to Veterans Medal was presented to chapter member **Mike Ghormley**. This presentation was made by **President Sielert**. The great number of hours that Mike spends at the VA Hospital/Home was brought out.

A supplemental was presented to **Billy Thompson**. This was for Billy's Great-Great-Great Grandfather **Electious Thompson** who fought in the battles of Long Island, White Plains, and the battle of Germantown.

The benediction was given by Mike Yarbrough.

The recessional was given by **Ernest Martin.** 

The following members and guests of the McKinney SAR Chapter were present: Don & Ann Sielert, Billy & Kathleen Thompson, Mike Ghormley, Pete McLellan, Dagny McLellan, Marilyn Walker, John Greer, Mike Yarbrough, Ernest Martin,

Beverly Martin, Jim Ryan, Tim & Dana Hartman, Rob Sielert, Jason Sielert, Frank Roma, Ron Smith.

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