

Texas Society, McKinney Chapter



February 21, 2019

Meeting held at Spring Creek Barbeque, McKinney, Texas

Attendees: There were 25 SAR and other guests in attendance. Attendees included: David Kinsey, Tomm Schultz, Jason Fowler, Ralph Thompson, Tom Milson, Stephen Griffin, Preston Kinsey, Peter McLellan, Joe Chenoweth, Ron McPhatter, Gary Shuchlet, Jakob Shackleton, Avery Smith, Christine Bodin, Jeff Bodin, Mark McGraw, Nathan White, Wanda White, John Ray, Tom Van Iossen (Dallas #2), Jerome R. Broan (Dallas/Plano), Matthew T. Srown, Michael Carlock, Luis Juarez and Weldon Copeland.

Call to Order: After our BBQ dinner, President Kinsey called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Invocation: Luis Juarez, gave our invocation.

Pledges:

- Mark McCraw, VP of Programs, led pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- Pledge to the Texas Flag was lead by Tom Milson, Secretary.
- Pledge of the SAR was lead by Nathan White, FPG, VP of Membership.

Self-introduction of Members and guests: All members and guests introduced themselves.

Old Business

- Minutes from last meeting published on the website by Cecil Coale, Web Master
- Participated in "Salute to Hospitalized Veterans" at Bonham VA Hospital on February 14, 2019
- Be sure to visit the Chapter Website at www.mckinney.sar.org

Announcements

- George Washington's Birthday Tomorrow.
- George Washington Parade, Laredo, Texas on February 23, 2019.
- Next meeting: March 21, 2019 at 6pm, Spring Creek Barbeque, McKinney, TX.
- **Spring Leadership Meeting:** February 28 to March 2, 2019 in Louisville Kentucky.
- 124th Texas SAR Convention: April 5th to 8th in Austin. TXSSAR.ORG (Public Site) Events 2019 Annual Conference (Please let David Kinsey know if you plan to attend so we can have you credentialed.)



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- NSSAR National Congress: July 8th-10th in Orange County Hilton at Costa Mesa, CA

New Business:

- Minutes from this meeting will be published on the website by Cecil Coale, Web Master
- Treasurer's Report: Treasurer McLellan reported we have \$855.43 in the bank account. The Chapter should have the 2019 chapter dues in our account by mid-March.
- President Kinsey inducted Jason Fouler into the SAR with his daughter Madison looking on.





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Madison placed the SAR pen on her father. Compatriot Fouler then spoke briefly about the genealogy journey he and his daughter had together traveled together to make this night possible.





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- President Kinsey inducted Stephen Griffin into the SAR. Compatriot Griffin then spoke briefly about his Patriot, and how proud his father would be of him.





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- **New Members and New Member Applications:** VP Member Membership White, FPG, reported on the new membership activities. We have inducting two new members tonight with several more in various stages of the application process. We have over 50 members now in the chapter and should reach 60 or more members by the end of the year.

Program:

Our guest speakers were from the McKinney High School Marine Corp Junior ROTC organization. Ron McPhatter, CWO-3 USMC (Ret) is the Senior Drill Instructor for the organization who has 97 Cadets. Joining Ron was two of his Cadets; Avery Smith who is the MCJROTC Unit Commander and Jakob Shackleton who is the Unit's Executive Officer (2nd in command). Avery, a senior, has applied to the U.S. Naval Academy and has already been accepted by the University of Oklahoma. Jakob, a junior, plans on applying to West Point. The two cadets spoke first in a "tag team" style describing the curriculum and activities of the Unit. The Unit's school week curriculum includes classroom study on Monday and Tuesday, physical fitness on Wednesday and Thursday,





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and organized sports on Friday. In October of last year, the unit participated in the Marine Corp Marathon in Washington, D.C. Locally they compete in Drill Competition and several running events. The Unit has a Color Guard that participates in local events. Their primary community service activity is with the Samaritan Inn in McKinney where they do cleaning and other physical labor tasks that the typical volunteer would not do. In the summer, they participate in a JROTC summer camp and summer workout sessions four days a week for four to six weeks. They offered to help us if we have need that they could support. Then CWO McPhatter spoke about the character of his Cadets and his goals as an instructor of his Cadets.



Nathan White, FPG, then spoke on the four-year relationship our Chapter has had with the MCJROTC and the respect we have for the program and CWO McPhatter.

President Kinsey then presented CWO McPhatter with a Certificate of Appreciation from the McKinney Chapter.



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Benediction: The benediction was given by was given by Luis Juarez.

Recessional: The recessional was given by was given by President Kinsey.

Adjournment: President Kinsey adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas E. Milson, Secretary