

Texas Society, McKinney Chapter



April 18, 2019

Meeting held at Spring Creek Barbeque, McKinney, Texas

Attendees: There were 16 SAR and other guests in attendance. Attendees included: David Kinsey, Tom Milson, Peter McLellan, Nathan White, Wanda White, Donna Babbs, Donald Babbs, T. L. Holden, John Greer, Michael Carlock, Doug Kowalshi, Joe Chenaweth, Tom Schultz, Ralph Thomas, Ken Davis and Duane Byner.

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

Invocation: Donald Babbs, Chaplain, gave our invocation.

Pledges:

- Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was lead by Pete McLellan, Treasurer.
- Pledge to the Texas Flag was lead by Tom Milson, Secretary.
- Pledge of the SAR was lead by David Kinsey, President

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
- Be sure to visit the Chapter Website at <u>www.mckinney.sar.org</u>

Announcements

- Next Meeting: May 16, 2019, 6PM at Spring Creek Barbeque, McKinney, TX

- The members in attendance were asked to please make sure your contact information is correct. To correct info, visit the TXSSAR private website, go to the "Members" tab, then "Member Contact Change Form."

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

- Nathan and Davis attended the Texas State Convention on $5^{th} - 7^{th}$ April. The meeting was very informative. Please consider attending this meeting next year in the Woodlands.



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- There will be a grave marker ceremony in Sherman on May 18th at 2pm. Please contact David Kinsey for more information.

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 \$895.43 in the bank account. The Chapter should have the 2019 chapter dues from State in about two weeks.

- President Kinsey asked the membership in attendance to consider starting a "Chapter Patriot Fund" for our youth award programs. We will be discussing further in a future meeting.

Program:

Our speaker for this evening was Prosper Police Chief, Doug Kowalski. Chief Kowalski has an extensive history in law enforcement from Dallas, to McKinney, to Prosper. Chief Kowalski started his presentation with a discussion on the founding of our country.

He then discussed the formation of our government by our founding fathers including the three branches of government as documented in the Constitution. Doug then talked about his role as a police chief within this framework.

Chief Kowalski then discussed how he has to earn the respect of his officers every day as their leader through his actions. He talked about how he expects leadership from everyone he commands and how he trains his officers to be great leaders because that is what his employers, the people of Prosper expect and deserve from their police department.

Chief Kowalski then listed and discussed the "five C's" of leadership:

- Character Do what you say you are going to do!
- Competency Being well trained in the job you are performing.
- Compassion Have a driving desire to help people.
- Courage Willingness to make the hard decisions quickly.
- Committed Have a passion for excellence in everything you do!

Then Doug quoted Lou Holtz, famous football coach, regarding leadership:

• "Do you care for me?"





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- "Can I trust you?"
- "Are you committed to excellence?"

Chief Kowalski closed his presentation by awarding his "Chief's Coin" award to Nathan White, David Kinsey and Pete McLellan.



Nathan White, David Kinsey, Chief Doug Kowalski, Peter McLellan



President Kinsey then awarded Chief Kowalski with the Sons of The American Revolution Law Enforcement Commendation Metal.



President Kinsey awarding Chief Kowalski the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Metal



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Benediction: The benediction was given by was given by Donald Babbs, Chaplain.

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

Adjournment: President Kinsey adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas E. Milson, Secretary