

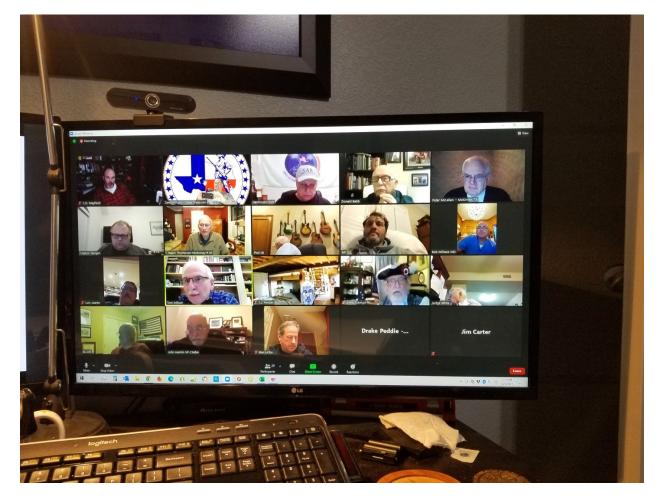


## January 21, 2021

## Meeting held via Zoom® teleconference due to pandemic

#### Attendees

There were 20, SAR members and guests in attendance for this Zoom® meeting. Attendees included: David Kinsey, Tom Milson, Blas Uribe, TL Holden, CD Mayfield, Jim Carter, Luis Juarez, Peter McLellan, Ralph Thompson, Clayton Tangen, Tom Van Fossen – District VP, Nathan White, George Bradford, Donald Babbs, Drake Peddie – State President. Bob Milwee, James Johnson, William(Bill) Clyde Arnold, Al Lisi, Guest speaker and Compatriot John Hamlin.







### Call to Order

Tom Milson, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

## Invocation

- Don Babbs, Chapter Chaplain, gave the invocation.

## Pledges

- Tom Milson, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- Blas Uribe, led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.
- Peter McLellan, led the Pledge of the SAR.

## Program

- Tom Milson, Chapter President introduced speaker

#### JOHN HAMLIN, M.Ed.

John is the Vice President of Contests, Medals and Awards for the Texas Society SAR. He has held this position for the past five years. As Vice president he is Chairman of the Americanism committee which oversees a multitude of Texas Society committees. As Vice President he oversees the youth contest chairman of all the youth committee making sure that the contestants are funded what they win.

As VP of Medals, he oversees the distribution of the Texas Service Medal and oversaw the development of the 125th Texas Anniversary medal.

As VP of Awards, he is ultimately responsible for Awards passed out at the annual meeting and the Texas Society Annual report to SAR National office.

John is a member of the Bernardo de Galvez chapter #1 in Galveston where he serves as chapter Secretary. He is also the 2021 Board of Managers Committee chairman. The fall BOM will be hosted by the Galvez chapter the weekend of October 8-10, 2021

John discussed his role and explained various medals, including the Chapter Service Medal, and the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary TXSSAR medal (200 ordered) has about 30 left. Those are the main medals he is responsible for, other chapter medals are ordered through the NSSAR. John's main role is with contests, especially with engaging youth in the SAR. The contest that gets the most participation is the essay contest which is through the state societies. John discussed a number of additional contests including but not limited to ROTC, 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade, and other age groups.



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General discussion and questions for John followed. Tom Milson, Chapter President, thanked him for his presentation.



#### Awards

None

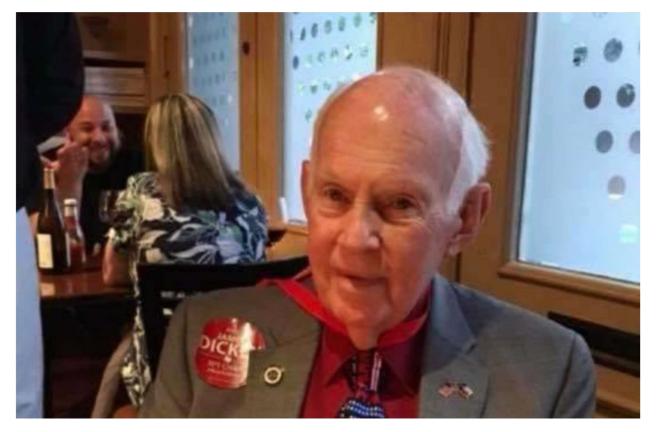




### **Old Business and Announcements**

- Tom Milson, Chapter President asked Don Babbs Chapter Chaplain to lead us in a moment of remembrance for recently deceased McKinney Chapter Compatriot Carroll H. Maxwell Jr, May 29, 1928 – December 26, 2020. Don Babbs read a brief statement on the life of Carroll Maxwell and offered a prayer. A memorial service by the family will be held later in the year.

# In remembrance of Carroll H. Maxwell Jr



- Next meeting is on February 18, 2021 at 7:00 pm expected by ZOOM. Program: "The Encampment at Valley Forge" by speaker Susan Gillette Meer, Commander-In-Chief, Descendants of Washington's army at Valley Forge

- Dues, please get those paid. If you need assistance on how to pay online, please contact David Kinsey, Dues were due by December 31, 2020.



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- Volunteers to be mentors / Squad leaders, Joh Greer and David Kinsey are preparing a "New Member Orientation meeting."

- TXSSAR convention still scheduled for April 14-18. Drake Peddie, State President spoke briefly on status of the scheduled meeting, indicating that the Executive Committee voted to make this a virtual meeting.

- Special National Congress scheduled for March 13, 2021, in Washington, D.C. area concerning a motion to amend governing documents to permit virtual congress in the event of continued lockdowns. Need to register through National Website, \$100 to register and then need to send that to State Secretary Jim Clements who will provide credentials.

#### **New Business**

- Minutes from last meeting have been published on the website by Preston Kinsey, Chapter Web Master. Peter McLellan made a motion to accept last month's meeting minutes as written, motion seconded by David Kinsey, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.

- Treasurer's Report: Ralph Thompson, Treasurer read report. "1/21/2021. The bank balance as of December's report was \$2538.19. Three dual member dues checks totaling \$60.00 were received and deposited as received. The current balance in the bank account is \$2598.19."

Jim Johnson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, motion seconded by Alfred Lisi, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.





## New Member Induction Ceremony

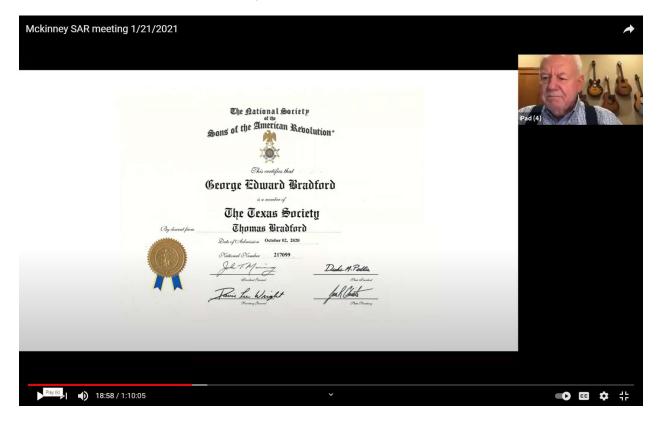
William(Bill) Clyde Arnold. Oath administered by Tom Milson, Chapter President. Bill Arnold spoke briefly about why he joined. Certificate and Pin will be mailed.







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#### **Other Announcements**

- David Kinsey he is working on reports to send to the state including the Stark report and Amercanism report.

- David Kinsey on dues status; still waiting on dues from some people.



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- Drake Peddie, State SAR President stated regarding the dues status, the state has 2503 paid members and about 600 members unpaid as of now. And McKinney Chapter has 36 members showing unpaid in which the list should be available now of outstanding dues. Also again, state convention will be virtual.

- Tom Milson, states Jim Carter is a transfer from Red River Valley Chapter

Benediction: Don Babbs, Chapter Chaplain gave the benediction.

**Recessional:** Lead by President Tom Milson

Adjournment: President Tom Milson adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary