



# June 17, 2021

### Meeting held at Spring Creek BBQ McKinney and via Zoom® teleconference

### Attendees

There were (30 total) 27 SAR members and guests in attendance at Spring Creek Barbeque. There were 3 participants in attendance for this Zoom® meeting. Attendees included: Tom Milson, Carol Milson, David Kinsey, Blas Uribe, Gary Graybeal, Tom Van Fossen, Mark Harrison, Mark McCraw, Weldon Copeland, Nathan White, Wanda White, Aden White, Bill Taylor, Carol Taylor, Ralph Thompson, Ted Wilson, T.L. Holden, Bob Milwee and wife, John Greer, Bob Kubin(Commander Color Guard) and Jack Webb, as well as: Donald Babbs, Al Lisi, and Pete McLellan through Zoom.

Guests include; Jenni Webb, Brett Webb, Rich Bonaparte with wife Lynn Bonaparte

Guest speaker Doug Gallagher.







## Call to Order

Tom Milson, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.



#### Invocation

- Don Babbs, Chapter Chaplain, gave the invocation through Zoom.

#### Pledges

- Mark McCraw, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- Tom Milson, led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.
- Tom Milson, led the Pledge of the SAR.





### Self-Introductions of Members and Guests

Led by Tom Milson, Chapter President

### **Old Business and Announcements**

- Texas SAR website private side password has changed. Contact Tom Milson for new password.

- Next Meeting July 15, 7 PM (In-person and Zoom) at Spring Creek BBQ McKinney. Planned program - Medal of Honor Museum speaker from Arlington TX.

- Red White and Boom Parade Saturday July 3, 2021, The McKinney SAR chapter will have a float, and the Color Guard will be present. If you want to participate, let Tom Milson or Ted Wilson know. You don't have to be in uniform to participate.

### New Member Induction Ceremony

- Bob Millwee, oath given by Tom Milson. Bob's wife pinned the Rosette on him. Bob thanked several McKinney SAR chapter compatriots in helping him through the process to become a SAR member. Bob spoke briefly on patriot ancestor. Membership certificate was presented.





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- William (Bill) Taylor, oath given by Tom Milson. Bill's wife pinned the Rosette on him. Bill spoke briefly on patriot ancestor. Membership certificate was presented.









- Aden White, oath given by grandfather Nathan White. Nathan and Aden spoke briefly about their patriot ancestor and grandmother Wanda White pinned the rosette on Aden. Framed Membership certificate was presented.





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#### Awards

- Youth Poster Contest Award – First Place winner at the States Level, SAR Junior Member Jack Webb, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and grandson of Tom Milson McKinney Chapter President. Poster submitted by Jack on behalf of the McKinney SAR Chapter 63. David Kinsey, SAR State Treasurer, presented Jack with a \$300 check from the TXSSAR. Tom Milson presented Jack with Certificate of Appreciation for his participation in the contest. The poster will now move on to the National contest level for further consideration.





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- Tom Milson presented Jeffery A. Mundt with a Flag Certificate for dedication to frequent and respectful display of the American Flag. The certificate was presented to Mr. Mundt by Tom at Mr. Mundt's home in a private ceremony prior to the McKinney SAR Chapter meeting. Tom states there is no limit to the presentation of these awards and encourages giving out as many as we can.



#### **New Business**

- Minutes from last meeting have been published on the website by David Kinsey. Mark McCraw made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, motion seconded by Pete McLellan, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.

- Treasurer's Report: Ralph Thompson, Treasurer read report, "6/17/21 The bank balance as of May's report was \$4010.75. On May 24 we received a direct deposit of \$5.98 from Amazon Smiles. On June 02 we received a direct deposit of \$50.00 from Benevity Causes. The current balance in the bank account is \$4066.73.

Gary Graybeal made a motion to accept the Treasures report, motion seconded by David Kinsey, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.

- Comments from Texas Society officers: None

- Bob Kubin - Comments Regarding State Honor Guard, The State SAR is in the process of forming an Honor Guard, Bob attended funeral last year and states the Honor Guard honestly did not



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look good. Main takeaway in his comments is that the intentions of the Honor Guard are good but need to look better in their implementation of the Color Guard activities. Nothing greater than honoring a loved one who has passed.



- Pete McLellan, update on relationship with the CAR chapter. Pete did contact Susan Higgins the senior adult leader of the Mathew Bolton CAR chapter. The CAR chapter is in the process of planning their schedule/activities from August on as they are basically taking the summer off. Pete is coordinating to have the CAR chapter President come present to us in the September October timeframe.

#### Other Announcements

- Tom Milson shared some photos and information on his trip to South Carolina and his historical visit to the CSS Hunley one of the first submarines used in war, and used in the US Civil War, which segued into our Program of tonight's Guest Speaker.

### Program

- Mark McCraw, VP of Programs introduced speaker.

Doug Gallagher US Submariner's Veterans Inc., Dallas Base Commander, served from 64'-72'.

Mr. Gallagher spoke on his direct experience as well as some historical perspective from World War II through present. Question and answer segment followed. Mark McCraw, Chapter VP of Programs, presented Doug with a Certificate of Appreciation and thanked him for his service.



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Benediction: Don Babbs, Chapter Chaplain gave the benediction.

Recessional: Lead by Tom Milson

Adjournment: President Tom Milson adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary