

December 14, 2023

Meeting/Christmas Party held at Peter McLellan's Home

Attendees

The McKinney SAR chapter Christmas Party was hosted at the home of Compatriot Peter McLellan and his wife Dagney, followed by a brief meeting. There was no Zoom teleconference for this event.

Members and guests gathered at 6PM for dinner and festivities.

There were 23 SAR members and guests in attendance. Attendees included: Tom & Carol Milson, Blas Uribe, Bill Taylor and wife Carol, Jim & Sandee Akers, Rich Bonaparte and wife Lynn, Peter McLellan and wife, Jerry Kenney & wife Tracey, Reed Kenney and wife Jessica, Nathan White & wife Wanda, George Bradford and wife Joy, Bill Watts, Peter Ford, Mat Hoover and wife Suzette.















Call to Order

Tom Milson, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Chapter President Mark McCraw was unable to attend

Invocation

None

Pledges

- Tom Milson, 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.
- Tom Milson, led the SAR Mission Statement

Self-Introductions of Members and Guests

None

Old Business and Announcements

- Tom Milson gave a Historical Moment for 12/14/1782
- Tom Milson Please pay dues by 12/31/2023.
- Tom Milson Tom discussed the Wreaths Across America event scheduled for 12/16/2023
- Tom Milson has gone to Spring Creek BBQ to secure our meeting reservations for 2024
- Future Meetings and Events
 - Next Meeting Spring Creek Barbeque January 18, 2024, 7 PM (In person and by Zoom).
 - December 16, 2023, Wreaths Across America at Stoney Point Cemetery, 11 AM, 8241
 County Road 1095, Anna TX, 75409. Email will go out to Chapter Members
 - April 11-14, 2024, Annual Conference at San Antonio, Meeting Registrations online at txssar.org(public side), "Events" tab

New Member Induction Ceremony

None



Program

Bill Watts – was in character as Benjamin Franklin and gave about a 30 minute presentation



Awards

None



New Business

- Peter McLellan - Presented list of Proposed Slate of Officers for 2024. Peter stated the Slate of Officers is still open for nominations. Peter indicated it is required that he ask 3 times whether there are any additional nominations from the floor and proceeded to ask 3 times. No additional nominations were offered. Peter McLellan of the officer nomination committee requested a hand vote in accepting each nominee for the officer positions. No discussion, the proposed slate of officers for 2024 was approved by unanimous hand vote. Tom Milson has asked Texas Society SAR President Elect, Tracy Pounders to possibly attend to administer the induction and oath of officers. We hope to have officer induction at the January meeting. List is as follows:

President Mark McCraw

VP Membership Bill Taylor

VP Programs Andy Milson

VP Awards Tom Milson

Secretary Blas Uribe

Treasurer Peter Ford

Registrar Richard Bonaparte

Sergeant at Arms/CAR Liaison Peter McLellan

Chaplain Paul Andreasen

Webmaster Cary Barnett

Color Guard Commander Bob Millwee

Veterans Affairs Al Llsi (John Greer, Advisor)

Other Announcements



- Bill Watts anyone is welcome to participate in the Color Guard. You only need a few items to wear, hat, shirt and pants.
- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:

• None

Benediction: Peter Mclellan gave the benediction.

Recessional: Lead by Tom Milson

Adjournment: Tom Milson adjourned the meeting at 8:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary

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