



## Ark-La-Tex Chapter Sons of American Revolution

**Date of Meeting:** 10/14/23

**Call to Order:** President Clarence Burns called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. He stated that a quorum was present.

**Members Present:** President Clarence Burns, VP Joe Reynolds, Sec. Rodney G. Love, Tres. Danny Addington, Registrar Dennis M. Beckham, Chaplain Shawn Tully, Chancellor Bill Sekel, Rick Blackwood, Bob Woodroof, Pat Tomberlain, Wendell Edward Van Hook and Cletis Milsap(by zoom).

**Visitors Present:** Carolyn Addington, James Burns

**Invocation by:** Chaplain Shawn Tully

**Pledges:** The United States of America, State of Texas, SAR Pledge and SAR Mission Statement was led by President Clarence Burns

**Reading of minutes:**

The minutes of the previous meeting were emailed to all members. A motion to accept the minutes by acclamation was made by Chancellor Bill Sekel and seconded by Wendell Van Hook. Approval was unanimous.

**Reading of the Treasurer's report:**

Treasurer Danny Addington presented the treasurers report. A motion to approve treasurer's report by acclamation was made by Rodney Love and seconded by Chaplain Shawn Tully. Approval was unanimous.

**Registrar's Report:** Registrar Dennis Beckham presented the Registrar's report. James Drew was added as a new member. Seven supplementals were approved. A motion to approve registrar's report by acclamation was made by Chaplain Shawn Tully and seconded by VP Joe Reynolds. Approval was unanimous.

**Chancellor Report:** Chancellor Bill Sekel presented information from the State Board of Managers meeting in College Station.

- \* the SAR Mission Statement the came out of the meeting.
- \* the Windswept Eagle would be the symbol of all SAR.
- \* there are fifty active SAR Chapters in Texas.
- \* Birthday-Project 250- a monument at the Texas State Cemetery on Monument Hill at a cost of \$55K. Some would be donated by National and rest from Texas Chapters or individual members.
- \* He awarded Registrar Dennis Beckham Bronze Liberty Medal for having recruited 10 members over a period of time.
- \* Chancellor Sekel stated he would buy next years' Service Awards

**New member sworn in:** none

**Program:** Dr. Jim Burns presented “Blackrobes in the Revolutionary War”

**Presentations:** President Clarence Burns presented Dr. Jim Burns with a certificate of appreciation.  
Rick Blackwood received a certificate of appreciation for his presentation “Constitutionalism.”

**Business:**

\*Nominations for new officers were:

Chancellor- Bill Sekel, Chaplain- Shawn Tully, President- Clarence Burns, Registrar- Dennis Beckham, VP- Larry Joe Reynolds, and Secretary- Rodney Love. There were no other nominations. These will be presented in January meeting to be voted upon.

\* Chancellor Bill Sekel moved that \$210 be taken from available funds to support TX SAR Project 250. Specifically the building of a SAR Monument at the Texas State Cemetery. Rodney Love seconded the motion. The motion carried.

\* Chancellor Bill Sekel brought up the point that before presenting veterans certificates of appreciation we need to determine if they were awarded a purple heart before we present them with a Wounded Warrior Coin.

\* VP Joe Reynolds asked permission to do six Newsletters for the Chapter. Motion by Rickwood and second by Wendel Van Hook. Motion carried.

\* Chaplain Shawn Tully asked if we could change meeting time to 6 starting in January due to distances some members travel. Motion by Sec. Rodney Love and second by Wendel Van Hook. Motion carried.

\* VP Joe Reynolds was given permission to conduct Zoom mtgs.

\*Wreaths Across America was discussed. Each wreath would cost \$17. \$200 was donated for project. Wreaths will be placed in Old Liberty Cemetery at 1 pm and Courtland Cemetery at 11pm. Manpower needed to place wreaths on Dec. 16.

**Upcoming Events and Announcements:**

The next meeting will be January 9<sup>th</sup>.

Dec. 2 is Atlanta’s Christmas Parade. Participates asked to wear Colonial clothing and ride on float or walk.

The Chapter has awarded all five service awards and a Flag etiquette award.

**Adjournment:** President Clarence Burns entertained a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Chaplain Shawn Tully and seconded Rick Blackwood. The motion carried.

**Closing Admonition:** President Clarence Burns led members in the SAR Closing Admonition.

**Benediction by:** Chaplain Shawn Tully

Minutes submitted for approval by Secretary Rodney G. Love

Ark La Tex Chapter #69  
Treasurer Report  
November 14, 2023

Beginning Balance	1694.12
Challenge Coins	0.00
Donations	0.00
Deposit	0.00
Debits	60.50
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Ending Balance	1633.62

Remaining Coins 66

Profit \$326.60

Danny Addington  
Treasurer

## Ark-La-Tex Chapter Registrar's Report – November 14, 2023

New Regular Members - 0

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Patriot	Nat'l Number	TX Number	Date Regist'd
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New Junior Members - 0

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Patriot	Nat'l Number	TX Number	Date Regist'd
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Regular Member Applicants - 1

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Patriot	Rec'd @ National
Heck	Jackie	Wayne	John Ham	Pending

Supplemental Applications Approved -4

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Patriot	Date App'd
Beckham	Joshua	Wayne	Samuel Pruitt	10/20/2023
Beckham	Joshua	Wayne	John Marshall	10/20/2023
Beckham	Dennis	Mack	Samuel Pruitt	10/20/2023
Beckham	Dennis	Mack	John Marshall	10/20/2023

Supplemental Applications Submitted -0

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Patriot	Rec'd @ National
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