

**LADIES AUXILIARY**  
**Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution**  
**Annual State Meeting**  
**Hilton Westchase, Houston, TX**  
**March 27, 2010**

**Opening**

Call to Order-President Linda Edwards  
Invocation-Mary Thompson  
Pledge to American Flag-June Everheart  
Ladies Auxiliary Pledge-June Everheart

**Welcome-Linda Edwards**

Special thanks to our hostesses Catherine Massey and her committee. Catherine and her committee did an exceptional job of organizing the ladies events. Reports were given about the ladies tours. Those attending the Asian Heritage Tour said the tour was very informative and worthwhile. The ladies learned to make tea correctly and even how to drink it. A better understanding of another culture was gained by those attending. The 10 course meal at the Ocean Palace was delicious and unbelievably filling. The tour of the mall and supermarket at the Asian Market was enjoyed by all. The Saturday morning tour to the Museum of Natural Science-Faberge: Imperial Jeweler to the Tsars was also reported to be beautiful and informative.

Linda announced that silent auction items were in the hospitality room and were moved to the registration area later in the day. Proceeds from this auction are used for the ladies auxiliary operating expenses. Silent auction will close before the banquet. Please remember to go by and make your bids. Winners will be announced during the evening banquet.

**Minutes-Judy West**

Minutes were presented as filed on the web site. Sue Lenex moved to accept the minutes. Minutes approved by unanimous vote of group following discussion.

Following approval of minutes Judy read our correspondence. Maxine Heath sent a note with her dues and said she and Jim would be unable to attend this BOM as they are cruising in the South Pacific. Barbara Magerkurth, a dual member of both Texas and California, sent a note with her project money. Barbara is feeling much better following a recent illness. Barbara's husband, Larry, will follow David Sympson from Kentucky as National SAR President General.

### **Treasurer and Registrar Report-Barbara Baker**

Barbara gave the treasurer's report stating there is an operating balance of \$2,391.01. An additional sum of \$1,520 is in reserve reflecting the 16 lifetime members. We have 167 members. At this time 39 members have not renewed. The membership year runs from April 1 to the end of March the following year. If dues are not received by April 1 the 39 members will be placed on the inactive list.

Barbara stated that membership rosters can be obtained by emailing her or requesting a list by mail at 8600 Skyline Drive, Unit #1005, Dallas, TX, 75243. This will save on paper and printing. Barbara requests when you have an email change to notify her by mail or email.

Sylvia Marrs moved to accept the reports. The motion passed.

### **Reports**

Report any illnesses, men or women, to Mary Thompson and she will send cards. It was reported that Pat Taylor, wife of Delbert Taylor, passed away. Martha Sue Peace from Hawkins is also deceased. Bernadine Copeland of Tyler had a heart attack but is home from the hospital. Our prayers are with these families. We also remember Vic and Shannon Smith as they continue to struggle with Shannon's illness. Shannon was a past president of the Ladies Auxiliary.

### **National SAR Leadership Meeting in Louisville**

First Lady Robin Butler reported that the ladies toured a beautiful old home in Louisville and also sampled a variety of delicious desserts at the last National Leadership Meeting. She reminded all to try and attend the National SAR Conference in Cleveland, Ohio in June. Members are encouraged to bring children and grandchildren as many activities are planned with the family in mind. There will be a boat ride and dinner, an opportunity to attend a baseball game, and Colonial dancing where all ages can participate. The First Lady's Tea will follow the Memorial Service. A ladies tour to the Art Museum will be fun and all ladies are encouraged to wear hats to this event. David Sympson will become the new President General and his wife, Evelyn, will be our new First Lady. They will take office at the closing banquet on Wednesday evening.

### **Old Business**

Needlework Raffle Update- A check will be presented at the Saturday evening banquet to the Patriots Fund. The amount will be determined late this afternoon following the collection of all raffle ticket monies. We know that it will be at least \$1,000. The exact amount will be reported at the meeting in August. A committee will be appointed to study our next fund raiser project. We will skip this next year and start a new project the following year.

## **New Business**

Tom Jackson from the Katy chapter asked for suggestions for the ladies' tours in October. The meeting will be held in Houston but will be hosted by the Robert Rankin chapter of Katy. At this time it looks like the hotel will be the West Corridor Marriott. Tom also requested a show of hands of the ladies that would be interested in a program about Art in the American Revolution following the business meeting. Most agreed that would be interesting. There are a limited number of women in his group so it was suggested that all members who would like to help with refreshments at the hospitality room in October, please bring goodies for the day. At this time it appears that a tour to the Forbidden City Exhibit will be the tour of choice. Look for information on the registration form as the time gets closer.

Barbara Baker entertained a motion for the budget for 2010-2011. The budget was presented at the last meeting and discussion occurred. Suzanne Fife made the motion to accept the new budget and the motion passed.

## **Announcements**

JaAnn Alderman announced that she had DAR items for sale and to see her following the meeting if you want to purchase something.

Judy West reminded members that it has been suggested by National that as the men say their SAR Pledge, women stand at attention but do not recite the pledge with the men. First Lady Robin said as she has traveled the US, some chapters don't even ask the women to stand. We should all just listen and be respectful as the men's pledge is spoken.

Following this meeting and the Worship Service on Sunday morning, ladies may go to the hospitality room for more lotions, creams and facials.

A slate of officers will be presented at the October meeting to be installed at the state meeting in March. Linda will appoint a nominating committee in August.

**Benediction**-Mary Thompson

**Ladies Auxiliary Recessional**-Judy West

**Adjournment**-Linda Edwards

**Respectfully Submitted (original signed by Judy West)**