



The Redoubt
Alexander Hamilton Chapter
Newsletter
Sons of the American Revolution



WINTER SPRING 2024



Alexander Hamilton (1755 – 1804), a soldier, statesman, politician, first Secretary of the Treasury, attorney, banker, and finally a duelist. The rendering above by H. Charles McBarron, depicts the victorious assault on Yorktown Redoubt 10, led by Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton. The taking of Redoubts 9 and 10 enabled General George Washington to complete the siege lines surrounding Yorktown and force the surrender of Lord Cornwallis. This British defeat ultimately ended the Revolutionary War and secured the independence and formation of our United States. We proudly honor our chapter’s namesake!

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At right our Chapter President:
DARRELL G. HUTCHINSON

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Chapter Meeting: 13 July 2024
- *Chapter Meeting: 14 Sept 2024
- *Chapter Meeting: 10 Nov 2024
- *Chapter Meeting 11 Jan 2025

Go to:
<https://www.txssar.org/AlexanderHamilton/meetings.htm> for event times and locations!

2024 CHAPTER MEETINGS, EVENTS AND COMPATRIOTS IN THE NEWS



January

Our January 13, 2024 Guest Speaker was Thomas K. Lindsay, Distinguished Senior Fellow of the Texas Public Policy Foundation. His presentation focused on The American Theory of Justice.

February

On February 17, 2024 we had several SAR Alexander Hamilton Chapter members (including President Darrell Hutchinson, Darrin Hutchinson, Ed Deshields, Vern, Lane Redwine, and Jim Rogers) who all joined SAR Patrick Henry Chapter and several area DAR Chapter members at a special event. It was a George Washington's Birthday celebration at a joint Luncheon at the DAR Chateau Bellevue Facility in Austin.

The Luncheon featured a Guest Speaker, Author Salina B. Baker, who gave a very informative presentation about George Washington's life.





March

Pictured was our March 9th Guest Speaker, Dr. Robert Olwell, who is a History Professor at UT Austin. He gave a very interesting talk about Benjamin Franklin's life and many contributions to the founding of USA during the pre-Revolutionary and war years. He cited excerpts from Franklin's letters and newspaper editorials. He also described Franklin's London Home and life there in the period leading up to the War for Independence.

May

The May 11th Meeting included a presentation by Guest Speaker Michael Carpenter. Michael is the Guadalupe County Commissioner and he spoke about the many significant events that were happening in the original colonies in 1776. He read excerpts from several letters and other writings of various people that have been discovered, preserved and published from that period.



June

On June 28th at 1:30pm, President Darrell Hutchinson, Michael Greco, Lamar Notestine, Vern Eubanks, and Darrin Hutchinson will open the Patriotic Variety Show "Sizzling Summer" in the Sun City Ballroom by Posting the Colors.



CHAPTER MEMBERS - WE WANT YOU!

Compatriots, your chapter needs your skills and a bit of your time to fulfill our commitments to our Society and our community. The chapter needs committee men to support our Veterans Program, Membership Program and Community Programs. Please contact Chapter President Darrell Hutchinson at txsarhamilton@gmail.com or call 512-869-4882 for details and to discuss your area of interest. Current priorities identified by the Board of Managers are supporting Veteran's groups and Membership efforts including new member recruiting, mentoring and development. Write or call today

Bit of History

We Alexander Hamilton Chapter members reached our 15th anniversary this Spring.

Our SAR Alexander Hamilton Chapter in Georgetown, Texas is one of 48 Texas Chapters. Our original Chapter included a group that split off from The Patrick Henry Chapter in Austin. The Alexander Hamilton's Chapter Chartering Ceremony took place on Saturday, May 23rd, 2009 at the Masonic Lodge at 900 North College Street, Georgetown, Texas.

In 2009, the first Officers included: President Harlan Green, Treasurer Reese Henry, and Chaplin David Kirkland.

By 2011, The Chapter had grown to 42 members and Donald Bunnell was the President, Paul Swetland was the President-Elect, Bill Freeman was the Treasurer, William Towery was Secretary, David Kirkland was Chaplin, Harold Walden was Registrar and Jim Scott was Historian.

In 2013-2014 Ray DeVries was elected President, Jim Scott was President-Elect, Dan Stauffer was Registrar, Bill Freeman was Treasurer, Mike Nichols was Chaplin, Rick Mallery was Secretary, David Kirkland was Sergeant-at-Arms, and Roger Gore was Historian.

We are grateful to all these founders who allowed us to have this local chapter and especially to Jim Scott (now Color Guard) who is still serving after all these years.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Recognizing those compatriots, we have recently lost and are greatly missed.

Paul Frank Litfin - Oct 30, 1930 – February 23, 2024

Paul was a resident of Leander who passed away on February 23, 2024 at the age of 93. Paul was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. He and his wife Mary were married for 63 years until she predeceased him June 12, 2016.

COMING IN OUR NEXT SUMMER & AUTUMN ISSUE 2024

CHAPTER EVENTS AND COMPATRIOTS IN THE NEWS

SEE IT THIS COMING DECEMBER, 2024!

This Newsletter editor was our Historian Jim Rogers.