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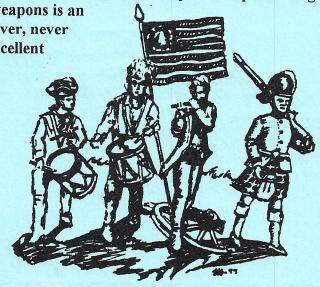
Minutes of the Meeting December 2nd, 1999

Vice President Jim Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:15 with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Pledge to the SAR. The invocation was given by Jim Johnson. Present were Jim Johnson, Mary Lynn Johnson, Jack Haughton, Patrick Haughton, William Vaughn, Gerald Brenholtz, William Brenholtz, James Baird, Doyle Holder, John Monroe, Samuel Haynes, Pamela Haynes, and Mr. and Mrs Timothy Cover. Jim Johnson introduced Patrick Haughton who presented the program, "Building an Effective Color Guard." Following the presentation, Treasurer, William Vaughn reported that \$420.83 was in the general fund and \$103.01 in the memorial fund. Jim Johnson announced that President Bell had presented Fred Patterson and Jean Robinson awards on November 16, 1999. Following the SAR closing, Jim Johnson gave the benediction.

Building an Effective Color Guard

Patrick Haughton, who among many other accomplishments led the color guard at the San Antonio National SAR Convention, gave us many pointers regarding a Color Guard. Patrick remarked that most people know about the DAR but few have heard of the SAR. The best tool the SAR has to become known is the color guard. Patrick recommends a color guard of 3 or 4 people all wearing the same uniform preferably buff and blue. He gave the names of firms which can supply uniforms - Tibbets in Fort Worth and J. S. Townsend in Indiana. Cost is about \$200. No badges are to be shown on the uniform. Shoes, expect to pay \$100 to \$150. Each unit should have its own set of flags with good stands. Everyone should act as one. High schools may be able to provide Drum and Fife support. Originally, the color guard's duty was to protect the colors. If one fell, another picked up the flag and

continued on. Carrying weapons is an attractive addition. However, never carry live weapons. An excellent guide is Von Streuben's "Revolutionary War Drill Manual." An excellent presentation by Patrick Haughton.



January 6th Meeting

do the honors of presenting the Colors.

Denton Good Samaritan Village - 7pm

Headquarters Dispatch –
from <u>SAR Overseas</u>, by, Jerry Hill
Several membership meetings are planned in Canada,
Mexico, Switzerland, Germany, Japan and the Far East
---Three of the major events in Singapor, where we will
be represented with an information table will include the
Marine Corps Ball, The George Washington Ball and the
Fourth of July Celebration. The Marine Corps Ball
and the George Washington Ball are very formal
affairs, attended by hundreds of Americans. The Military

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