



*Sons of The American
Revolution
Texas Society, McKinney
Chapter*

July 18, 2024

Meeting held at Spring Creek BBQ McKinney and via Zoom® teleconference

Attendees

There were (32 total) 28 SAR members and guests in attendance at Spring Creek Barbeque. Attendees included: Tom Milson, Blas Uribe, Mark McCraw, Bill Taylor and wife Carol, George Bradford and Joy Bradford, Paul Andreasen, Peter Ford, Nathan White and wife Wanda and Aden White, Ted Wilson, Tom Van Fossen, Kevin Ennis, John Greer, Gary Townsend, Jerry Kenney, Joe Chenoweth, Jim Akers and Sandee Akers, Rich Bonaparte, Mike Smith, Isaac Lee March.

Zoom® Attendees included: Charles Haby, Keith Pearce, Bob Millwee, William Kuebler.

Guests include: Guest Speaker Randall Bush-Plano Chapter SAR and wife Tracy Curtain and Mother-in-law Therese Curtain, Jerry Lucas, Justin Day



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Call to Order

Mark McCraw, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Invocation

- Paul Andreasen, Chapter Chaplain, gave the invocation.

Pledges

- Mark McCraw, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.



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- Peter Ford, led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

- Blas Uribe, led the Pledge of the SAR.

- Tom Milson, led the Mission Statement of the SAR. "The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, educating and inspiring future generations, about the founding principles of our Country."

Self-Introductions of Members and Guests

Led by Mark McCraw

Old Business and Announcements

- Nathan White – discussed several topics. Tom Greene, TX SAR, died recently. Tom had a significant role at the State level SAR, including past State of TX SAR President. He had many other contributions. His obituary is available online.

Nathan also discussed the annual SAR Congress that took place in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Over 600 attendees, about 333 delegates, Texas was well represented. Next year in Connecticut, then Greensboro, NC, then New Orleans, then 2028 in Ohio. There was a contested vote which passed, for the SAR Admission fee to go to half off in April 2025 to coincide with 250th anniversary of Lexington and Concord.

- Future Meetings and Events

- July 27, 2024, Summer Board of Managers Meeting via Zoom
- Next Meeting – August 15, 2024 7 PM (In person and by Zoom).
- August 17, 2024, 8AM, Battle of Medina Color Guard event at Leming School House in Leming, Texas

New Member Induction Ceremony

- Mark McCraw, Chapter President, administered the induction oath and presented Mike Smith and Isaac Lee March with the SAR Membership Certificate and SAR Rosette.



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Program

- Program – "The Whiskey Rebellion" presented by Randall Bush. Randall was born just south of Pittsburgh Pennsylvania on May 16, 1956. He grew up in the small town of Canonsburg, which resides about 20 miles southwest of the city. This area is considered the center of the Whiskey Rebellion. He is a member of the Plano Chapter of the Texas SAR and serves as its Secretary. Randall is also a dual member with the Col. William Grayson Chapter of the Virginia SAR where his Patriot Ancestor, Lieut. William Reeve, was born and enlisted. By trade, Randall is an automotive restoration shop manager, technician, and historian. He is also an avid Genealogy and History buff, particularly with regard to family ancestry and 16th to 20th century North American and European history.



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Tom Milson introduced the Guest Speaker. The program was a 28 minute presentation, followed by a short question and answer session. Tom Milson presented him with a certificate of appreciation.





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Awards

- None

New Business

- Minutes from the last meeting have been published on the website. Tom Milson made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, motion seconded by Bill Taylor, no discussion, motion approved by voice vote.



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- Treasurer's Report: submitted and by Peter Ford, Treasurer. "Treasurer's Report for July 18, 2024. The Chapter's available funds at the last meeting were \$1515.37.

Our expenses this month were:

- \$50.00 honorarium for the speaker at June's meeting
- \$510.02 for clothing and hygiene supplies to support the Bonham Veterans

The Chapter's funds are now: \$955.35

Our certificate of deposit contains: \$5117.81. This will mature on September 26th. It is earning 4% unless funds are needed sooner." No further questions or comments.

Other Announcements

- Tom Milson – On 7/12/24 Tom participated in an induction ceremony of twin 18 year old boys into the McKinney SAR Chapter. They live in North Dakota but their grandmother desired to have them inducted into the SAR.

- Nathan White – Nathan asked that the McKinney SAR might coordinate with the DAR on the coming 250th anniversary for any planned events

- Comments from Texas Society officers, main takeaways include:

- None

Benediction: Paul Andreason gave the benediction

Recessional: Lead by Mark McCraw

Adjournment: President Mark McCraw adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blas Uribe, Secretary

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