

Bernardo de Galvez Chapter #1
Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution
March Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2025

PRESENT: (33)

Officers: (7)

John Loper, President
Guy Taylor, 1st Vice-President
Matthew Hewitt, 2nd Vice-President
Bob Cassat, Treasurer
David Zwahr, Registrar
Jon Zwahr, Photographer
Billy Mayo, Immediate Past President

Members: (6)

Robert Adams
Aries Hewitt
Robert Gindratt
Albert Sequin Gonzales
William Sullivan
Henry Trochesset

Other SAR Members: (1)

Art Bryam, District 7 VP TXSSAR

Guests: (19)

Collins Adams
Daniel Ammons, DPD
Randall Aragon
Michael Berew, DPD
Jennifer Cagnon
Doylton Davis
Colton Ford
Travis Hall
Felicia Hickman
Windy Jones
Joshua Locke
Daryl Lott
Cristian Narvaez
Jeremy Ornelas
Lizette Ornelas
Andy Patina
Deyna Retaw, DPD
Nibble Webb
Shelbe Webb

LUNCH: Most attendees had finished lunch before noon.

CALL TO ORDER: President Loper called the meeting to order just after noon. He provided the audience with an Invocation, and led in the pledges to the Flag of the United States, Texas and Sons of the American Revolution (SAR).

INTRODUCTION: President Loper introduced Art Bryom who is the Seventh (7th) Vice President of the Texas Society, SAR (TXSSAR) from Klein, Texas.

PROGRAM: Collins Adams, daughter of Robert, presented her brochure on the Marquis de Lafayette which won first place at the Chapter, and third at the State Convention in College Station in the Americanism Poster Contest. President Loper presented Collins with her certificate and monetary award for her effort.

INSTALLATION: Next, President Loper installed Matthew Hewitt to be our Second Vice President.

AWARDS: Then President Loper presented Compatriot Henry A. Trocheset of Chapter 1 with the SAR Law Enforcement and Commendation Medal with Certificate.

He followed that presentation with one for Shelbe Webb who is an Investigator with the City of Texas City who also received the SAR Law Enforcement and Commendation Medal with Certificate.

President Loper presented the same award to Christian Navarez of the LaMarque Police Department.

Daniel Ammons of the Dickinson Police Department received the SAR Life Saving Medal and Certificate.

Finally, President Loper presented the same medal and certificate to Jeremy Ornelas of the Galveston County Sheriff's Office.

The next Awards considered during this meeting were three (3) awards presented by Arthur Byram Vice President of the State Society to the Chapter for 1) The Joe M Hill Patriot Fund Award, 2) The Galveston Award and finally 3) the Texas SAR Flag Presentation Award.

BUSINESS: No objection was made to a motion to accept the minutes of the March meeting as posted on the web site. President Loper presented reports of the Treasurer and Registrar.

Finally he appealed for Compatriot participation with attendance and in chapter committees particularly the Registrar's and Color Guard Committees.

CHAPTER CALENDAR

11 May Mother's Day

14 May: JROTC Ceremony

17 May Chapter Meeting

26 May with the George Washington DAR Chapter 130th year Celebration, Galveston Artillery Club, 2-4 p.m. (Color Guard Event)

14 June is Flag day

21 June Chapter Meeting with Kathleen Macca

For information and updates, please refer to the Bernardo de Galvez Web Page (www.bdgsar.org) or Facebook Group (Bernado de Galvez Chapter #1 SAR)

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A Motion to Adjourn was made and seconded and approved by all.

RECESSIONAL

The Recessional was led by President John Loper and recited by all Compatriots.

DISMISSAL

The meeting was adjourned after 1:00 p.m. CST with a Group Photo following adjournment.

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Clark P Wright, Secretary/Treasurer/Webmaster