

# Sons of the American Revolution



## Bernardo De Gálvez Chapter #1

### Texas Society Sons of The American Revolution

Meeting Minutes 2025 December 6

**PRESENT:** (19)

**Officers:** (5)

John Loper, President

Guy Taylor, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President

Matthew Hewitt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President/Color Guard Commander

Clark wright, Secretary

David Zwahr, Registrar

**Members:** (4)

Robert Adams

Robert Hanegan

Sam Massey

Jon Zwahr

**SAR Guests (7):**

Arthur Bryam (Freedom) 7<sup>th</sup> VP TXSSAR

David Hamaker (Freedom) Chpater President

Don Hayes (Freedom) Treasurer TXSSAR

Tom Jackson (Robert Rankin)

Michael Miles (Freedom)

William Myers (Freedom)

Melvin Oller (Freedom) President TXSSAR

**Guests: (3):**

Collin Adams

Dianne Hanegan of the Jane Long DAR Chapter & Bernardo deGalvez CAR Chapter

Windy Jones

Kylie Ramsey (Bernardo deGalvez CAR)

**LUNCH:** in progress

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Loper called the meeting to order promptly at 11 am..

**INVOCATION:** President Loper led us in the Invocation

**PLEDGE:** President Loper led us in the three pledges: Flag of the United States, Texas and Sons of the American Revolution (SAR). He then announced that Kylie Ramsey of the CAR would be collecting donations for the Bay Area Turning Point. He also indicated that Compatriot Mayo could not be with us due to his medical treatments.

**INTRODUCTIONS:** In the usual order, President Loper called upon each attendee to introduce themselves.

**CHAPTER AWARDS:** Three chapter awards were given first: Clark Wright received a Bronze Good Citizenship Medal, second: David Zwahr received a Texas Chapter Service Medal and third: Guy Taylor received a Chapter Distinguished Service Medal.

**INSTALLATION:** Mel Oller of the Freedom Chapter #38, and President of the Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution performed the installation of officers as follows: John Loper for President, Guy Taylor for First Vice-President, Second Vice-President is Matthew Hewitt, Clark Wright for Secretary/Treasurer and David Zwahr Registrar (a photo is supplied in the gallery of this web-site).

**BUSINESS:** No objection was made to a motion to accept the minutes as posted on the web site. President Loper presented the Treasurer Report. Sam Massey provided a report of the Texas Society activity regarding the Galvez Statue. The Chapter continues to be a part of that effort. Next we heard from David Zwahr that the chapter continues to have a number of applications in progress. We need to continue to improve our meeting attendance and secure volunteers for various committees, especially our Registrar's, Program and Awards Committees. We currently have only 2 or 3 participating in the chapter color guard, we need more. President Loper took notice of the passing of Phillip Lohec and Sue Lenex. National Society forms for both 2024 and 2025 Public Service and Heroism Awards have been submitted to National. The Chapter has a Texas Society flag which should arrive during December. The chapter has contributed the "United We Stand" at Clearview High School. President Loper reminded us of the effort to get all people to recite the American Declaration of Independence upon the anniversary date of July 8. He also reminded the members that it is time to pay your 2026 dues.

**CALENDAR:**

December 13 the Color Guard will attend the Wreath Ceremony at Lakeview Cemetery

December 25 Christmas

2026 January 17 meeting at Kelley's

February 14 Valentine's Day

February 16 President's Day (Federal Holiday)

February 21 meeting at Kelley's

1732 George Washington's birth in Westmoreland County Virginia

March 8 begin Daylight Savings Time

March 17 St. Patrick's Day

March 21 meeting at Kelley's with Kathleen Macca

For information and updates, please refer to the Bernardo de Gálvez Web Page ([www.bdgsar.org](http://www.bdgsar.org)) or Facebook Group (Bernardo de Gálvez 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 11:40 a.m. CST and a Group Photo followed adjournment.

Clark P Wright, Secretary/Treasurer/Webmaster (Preliminary)