

# CANADIAN VALLEY CHAPTER SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Canadian Valley Sons of the American Revolution

Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday, March 18, 2025

**Time:** 7:00 PM

Location: Yukon Historical Society, 110 North 3rd Street, Yukon, OK 73099

1. Call to Order

Call for Quorum

# Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for al.

## **SAR Pledge:**

We, descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

## **SAR Mission Statement:**

The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our country.

- 2. Invocation / Chaplain
- 3. Introductions of members and guests
- 4. Program by Gary W. Banz (Oklahoma State Representative 2004-2016)
- 5. Chapter Meeting Business

## Minutes:

Reading of January meeting Minutes

\* Treasurer's Report: Financial updates and current budget overview.

# 6. Committee Reports:

- Color Guard Report:
- Scout Troops 6300 American Flag Donation
- Scout Troops 300 Living History Presentation
- Bethany Foundation Events March 19th & 21st
- Dual Chapter Color Guard Drill March 22nd (OKC Gun Club)
- Ft. Reno DAR Vietnam Veteran Event March 29th (Yukon Veterans Museum)
- Medals & Awards Report:
- Eagle Scout Report:
- JROTC Report:
- Mustang JROTC Award Presentation March 5th

#### 7. Old Business

- · Color Guard Closet/Wardrobe
- Yukon Veterans Museum Patriot Exhibit
- National Ladies Auxiliary SAR

#### 8. New Business

• 250th Commemorative Bench & Liberty Tree - (Freedom Trail Park)

• Scout Troop 600 Flag Retirement Ceremony - April 18 TENTATIVE (Camp John Nichols) -

• Compatriot Grave Marking - May 10th (Bethany Cemetery)

- Discuss potential flag certificate award ideas for 2025.
- Officer Election Committee \( \sqrt{\chi} \)
- National Discount for New Membership in April

## 9. Open Discussion

Member input on additional projects or initiatives.

Acknowledgment of any fellow compatriots in distress or need

### 10. SAR Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.

# 11. Benediction / Chaplain

## National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Oklahoma State Society Canadian Valley Chapter Meeting Minutes, January 21, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by President Eric Koonce.

Opening prayer was offered by Compatriot Jim Williams.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Eric Koonce.

The SAR Pledge and Mission statement were read by the group, led by President Eric Koonce. A call for Quorum by President Koonce. A quorum was confirmed.

Welcome:

President Koonce offered a warm welcome to those in attendance, and recognized guests pending member Corey Grubb, David Koonce, and DAR member Beverly Rupert.

Beverly Rupert then announced that she has opened dialog with state President Hunt and the SAR National Women's Auxiliary President Pat Wilson-Perkins to create an Oklahoma Chapter of the SAR Women's Auxiliary. She is currently working on the By-Laws, and have set annual dues at \$5.00. She already has 15 applications to join, 12 of which are current DAR members. The dues will have to be sent to the SAR National offices until the group becomes viable. At that time, all collected dues will then go the Oklahoma State SAR Society. A timeline is approximately 6 months. She then passed out membership applications to the chapter members.

Prospective member Alan Ridgway then made a presentation to the chapter regarding the history of the Yukon History Museum and the Yukon Farm Museum, how it came about and what the current on-going projects the museum has undertaken.

The minutes from the December 19, 2024 meeting were presented. Compatriot Joe Sieber made a motion to accept the minutes as written, and seconded by Compatriot Jim Williams. The minutes were accepted by a unanimous vote of those present.

The Color Guard report was given by President Koonce. He has been working with State Society Color Guard Commander Joe Sieber to begin establishing a "wardrobe' of uniforms and equipment for use by both members and prospective members to try out before making the commitment to purchase their own, just to see if they would commit to the chapter color guard. Other items were discussed such as a proposal to the state society to purchase a Howitzer Cannon from Hern Iron Works in Idaho. The cost would be \$1,880. The item will be discussed at the next Board of Managers meeting. Wagon wheels for the cannon have been donated to the chapter for use. Upcoming Color Guard events were then discussed. Former Oklahoma City Color Guard Corick.redden@outlook.commmander Henry Baer has advised President Koonce that he will be donating several color guard uniform parts as well as tri-corn hats for chapter use.

The Treasurers report was presented to the chapter. Compatriot Jim Williams motioned to accept the report as presented. The second was made by Compatriot Howard Hines, and was accepted by a unanimous vote of the compatriots present.

No report was given regarding the JROTC and Veterans committee as Chairman Noah Grubb was not present.

**Old Business:** 

President Koonce discussed the chapter Facebook page, current news articles that have been printed by our various communities, as well as Elk City. He also advised he is researching the prospect of a "Living History" event sometime in the near future. He is also making plans to include the metro area DAR chapters as well as the other state SAR Chapters. A motion to adjourn was made by Compatriot lim Williams and the state of the s

A motion to adjourn was made by Compatriot Jim Williams, and seconded by Compatriot Howard Hines. Motion carried.

The closing prayer was made by Chaplain Williams, and the SAR Recessional was led by President Koonce. Meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Crow

Canadian Valley Secretary/Treasurer