



Bernardo de Galvez Chapter # 1

4th Quarter 2022 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRESIDENT

BY Bill Mayo



As my term has come to an end, I would like to thank all of you for your support to both me and the chapter during the year. I ask all of you to continue to support the new President Hugh Ferguson and the board of officers that you have elected.

During the fourth quarter of the year, our chapter has continued to participate in special events as well as to meet monthly. The Bernardo de Galvez Color Guard posted the Colors at the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Seabrook Veterans Memorial Park; Compatriot John Loper played Taps at the conclusion of the ceremony. Chapter Color Guards joined compatriots from other chapters to march in the Dickens on the Strand Parade. Chapter Color Guard members participated in the Wreaths Across America at the La Marque Cemetery with Compatriot John Loper playing Taps. In Addition, Color Guard members Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson and John Loper attended Eagle Scout Courts of Honor to present Certificates of Recognition to new Eagle Scouts. Compatriot John Loper served as one of the Color Guards at the Annual George Washington Chapter of the DAR Christmas Luncheon. These are some of the activities that our chapter has been involved. Some chapter compatriots, other than the Color Guard, attended some of these events, which was very much appreciated.

As I have stated before, when we joined the SAR, we all took an oath to support both the society and the chapter officers so that our chapter could accomplish its mission of promoting patriotism, preserving American history and promoting education. Volunteering is essential to the success of our chapter. When called upon to serve, please step up.

Happy New Year and Best Wishes for 2023

Past President Billy Mayo

CHAPTER MEETING PRESENTATIONS



Compatriot John Thompson, 2nd Vice President from the TXSSAR Freedom Chapter, gave an excellent interactive presentation on the Colonial Iron Works during our October 2022 Chapter Meeting.



During our October Chapter Meeting, SAR Surgeon General, Dr. Keith Weissinger, presented an overview of his responsibilities, including advising the Board about medical issues and providing medical assistance at the National Congress. He is also working on installing an AED at their SAR meeting location.



During our November 2022 Chapter Meeting, Mr. Eric Broussard, Curator, presented an overview of the Bryan Museum in Galveston, TX. All members are encouraged to visit the museum which contains one of the largest collections of historical artifacts, documents, and artwork relating to Texas and the American West.

AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to both Guest Speakers during the 4th Quarter, 2022. Five-year Membership Certificates and Pins were presented in absentia to Austin R. Pruitt and Henry M. Elmendorf. Ten-year Membership Certificates and Pins were presented in absentia to Robert J Carter, Kyle M..D. Juel, Tyler J.D. Juel and Russell W. Minor. Fifteen-year Membership Certificates and Pins were presented in absentia to John P. Lenes, Jeffrey S. Lenes and Jared S. Lenes. A Thirty-Year Membership Pin and Certificate were presented in absentia to Joseph W. Love, Jr. A Texas SAR Wounded Warrior Medal was presented in absentia to Russell Byrom.

A complete listing of all Awards presented during 2022 is provided as an attachment to this Newsletter.

SAR 250th ANNIVERSARY GOLD MEDALS



President Billy Mayo and Secretary John Loper received the 250 Anniversary of the American Revolution Gold Medals and Certificates from SAR at our October 2022 Chapter Meeting.

VETERANS DAY CEREMONIES



The Bernardo de Galvez Chapter Color Guard provided the Color Guard and Bugler Support for Veterans Day Ceremonies at Seabrook Veterans Memoria Park on November 11, 2022.

RECOGNITION OF EAGLE SCOUTS



BDG Chapter President Billy Mayo and 1st Vice-President Hugh Ferguson Presented a Certificate of Recognition and Chapter Challenge Coin to Chance Hanson (Troop 224) at his Eagle Scout Court of Honor on October 29, 2022.



BDG Chapter President Billy Mayo and Secretary John Loper presented Certificates of Recognition to 7 Eagle Scouts of Troop 870, recognizing their outstanding achievements and citizenship at an Eagle Court of Honor Ceremony on November 26, 2022.

SWEARING IN OF NEW OFFICERS



On December 3, 2022, TXSSAR Immediate Past President Drake Peddie swore in our slate of candidate officers for 2022 having been previously nominated in our November Chapter Meeting. New Officers are as follow:

- President - Hugh Ferguson**
- 1st Vice President - Zachary Adriance**
- Secretary - John Loper**
- Registrar - David Zwahr**
- Treasurer - William Adriance**
- 2nd Vice President - Frank Steele (absent)**

Compatriot Peddie asked all Chapter Members present to take an oath to support the new officers and the chapter during the coming year.

BDGSAR AND TXSSAR COMPATRIOTS LINING UP FOR THE DICKENS ON THE STRAND PARADE IN GALVESTON, TX, DECEMBER 3, 2022



TXSSAR COLOR GUARD AT DECEMBER 12, 2022 LADY WASHINGTON CHAPTER DAR



**WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA COLOR GUARD
DECEMBER 17, 2023**



FUNDRAISING



Our Chapter has completed and submitted our application for the Kroger's Community Rewards Program. More information to follow.

ATTACHMENTS

Please see attachment at end of Newsletter summarizing our 2022 Bernardo de Galvez Award Program.



[Bernardo de Gálvez](#)

2022 Bernardo de Galvez Award Program

Certificates of Appreciation

Kathleen Maca – Guest Speaker – “Hotel Galvez”	15 Jan
John Herman – Guest Speaker – Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)	18 Jun
Amy Maxwell Chase – Guest Speaker – Bolivar Lighthouse	20 Aug
John Thompson – Guest Speaker – Colonial Iron Works	15 Oct
Eric Broussard – Guest Speaker – Bryan Museum	19 Nov

5-Year Membership Certificates & Pins

Michael T. Lee	19 Mar
Albert S. Gonzales	16 Jul
Billy C. Mayo	20 Aug
Chad D. Davenport – Certificate	29 Sep
Drew B. Davenport – Certificate	29 Sep
Ethan P. Davenport – Certificate	29 Sep
Austin R. Pruitt	03 Nov
Henry M. Elmendorf	31 Dec

10-Year Membership Certificates & Pins

Robert J. Carter	08 Nov
Kyle M.D. Juel	08 Nov
Tyler J.D. Juel	08 Nov
Russell W. Minor	08 Nov

15-Year Membership Certificates & Pins

John P. Lenes	19 Feb
Jeffrey S. Lenes	19 Feb
Jared S. Lenes	20 Aug

20-Year Membership Certificates & Pins

John D. Mason	19 Mar
Russel C. Mason	19 Mar
Leslie J. Hawkins	

30-Year Membership Certificates & Pins

Joseph W. Love, Jr.	03 Dec
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35-Year Membership Certificates & Pins

Charles D. McBee, Jr.	16 Jul
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YOUTH CONTESTS

Beau David Brabham – Chapter Poster Contest Winner & TXSSAR 3 rd Place Winner	21 May
Emily Wallace – Chapter George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest Winner	18 Jun
Sophia Hamdani – Chapter Brochure Contest – 1 st Place Winner	
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Sophia Hamdani – 4 th Place NSSAR Brochure Contest Winner	
Isabella Jones – Chapter Brochure Contest – 2 nd Place Winner	
Suman Muppavarapu – Chapter Brochure Contest – 3 rd Place Winner	

FIRST RESPONDER AWARDS

Cameron Christeson – League City Police Dept. – Law Enforcement Award	16 Apr
Daniel Gibbs – League City Fire Dept. – Fire Safety Award	16 Apr

Filipe Belmarez – Galveston County Sheriff Dept. – Life Saving Award	16 Apr
Trenton Mitchell – League City Fire Dept. – EMS Award	21 May

BRONZE JUNIOR ROTC AWARDS

Cadet 1 st Lieutenant Deanna Garcia – Dickinson ISD	14 Apr
Cadet Lieutenant Arnie Puentes – Galveston ISD	28 Apr
Cadet CSM Elijah Saiz – Clear Creek High School, Clear Creek ISD	14 May
Cadet CPT David Heinsler – Clear Lake High School, Clear Creek ISD	14 May
Cadet 1LT Jacob Pitcher – Clear Brook High School, Clear Creek ISD	14 May
Cadet CPT Samuel Whitley – Clear Springs High School, Clear Creek ISD	14 May
Cadet CPT Daniel Castagna – Clear Falls High School, Clear Creek ISD	14 May

SILVER ROTC AWARDS

Midshipman 2/C Austin Cupp – Texas A & M University at Galveston	30 Apr
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EAGLE SCOUT AWARDS

Change Hanson – Eagle Scout Certificate & Bernardo de Galvez Challenge Coin	29 Oct
Christopher Colling – Eagle Scout Certificate	26 Nov
Colin Gorham– Eagle Scout Certificate	26 Nov
Nathanael Colling– Eagle Scout Certificate	26 Nov
Nathaniel Joiner– Eagle Scout Certificate	26 Nov
Peter Bernay– Eagle Scout Certificate	26 Nov
Rohin Rajesh– Eagle Scout Certificate	26 Nov
Zachary Joiner– Eagle Scout Certificate	26 Nov
Anish Sabale– Eagle Scout Certificate	26 Nov

250 ANNIVERSARY GOLD MEDALS

John Loper	01 Sep
Billy C. Mayo	21 Sep

TXSSAR WOUNDED WARRIOR MEDAL

Russell Byrom – Wounded Warrior Coin and Certificate	08 Aug
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BERNARDO DE GALVEZ BRONZE COLOR GUARD MEDALS

William L. Adriance	20 Aug
Hugh R. Ferguson, Jr.	20 Aug
Zackary L. Adriance	15 Oct

BERNARDO DE GALVEZ CHAPTER COLOR GUARD EVENTS

DAR State Convention – Hugh Ferguson, Jr. & Zachary Adriance	17 Mar
D.I.S.D. JROTC – Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson, Jr. & Zachary Adriance	14 Apr
G.I.S.D. JROTC - Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson, Jr. & Zachary Adriance	28 Apr
TX A & M ROTC – Hugh Ferguson, Jr. & Zachary Adriance	30 Apr
C.C.I.S.D. JROTC – Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson, Jr. & Zachary Adriance	14 May
Memorial Day @ Seabrook Veteran Memorial Park – Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson, Jr. John Loper, William Adriance & Zachary Adriance	30 May
CAR/SAR Friendswood 4 th July Parade - Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson, Jr. John Loper, William Adriance & Zachary Adriance	04 Jul

DAR/SAR Constitution Week Luncheon - Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson, Jr. John Loper & William Adriance	17 Sep
Troop 224 Eagle Scout Court of Honor – Billy Mayo & Hugh Ferguson, Jr.	29 Oct
Troop 870 Eagle Scout Court of Honor – Billy Mayo & John Loper	26 Nov
Veterans Day @ Seabrook Veteran Memorial Park – Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson, Jr. & John Loper	11 Nov
Dickens on the Strand Parade – Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson and John Loper	03 Dec
George Washington DAR Chapter Luncheon - Color Guard – John Loper	10 Dec
Wreaths Across America @ La Marque Cemetery – Billy Mayo, Hugh Ferguson, Jr. & John Loper	17 Dec

BERNARDO DE GALVEZ CHAPTER AWARDS RECEIVED

Col. Joe M. Hill Patriot Fund Award

TXSSAR AWARDS & CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION PRESENTED

William Adriance – TXSSAR Meritorious Service Medal	18 Jun
William Adriance – TXSSAR Certificate of Appreciation	18 Jun
Joan Linsley – Certificate of Appreciation for Support of TXSSAR Brochure Contest Program	03 Dec

NSSAR AWARDS PRESENTED

Sophia Hamdani – 4 th Place NSSAR Brochure Contest Winner	03 Dec
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FLAG CERTIFICATES PRESENTED

Victory Chiropractic
 Pete & Sue Lenes
 Dr. Jeremiah Holzbach
 Gloria del Lutheran Church
 Nassau Bay Fire & EMS Department
 Hunton Distribution
 Texas D.O.T. Southwest Harris County
 City of Houston Fire Station #93
 Webster City Hall
 Ab & Diane Dreitzler
 Wayne & Candace Weaver
 Mickey & Barbara Attaway
 David & Kandy Johnson
 Corey & Stacy Brannen
 Greg & Chelsey Bien
 The Galloway School
 Hugh & Mary Ferguson
 Dinesh & Divya Gupta
 Hayden Farms Inc.
 Denny & Kathy Hayden
 Randy & Vickie Hayden
 Luke, Danielle & Ash Hayden
 Seth, Mel, Ellie & Quinn Hayden