

**Bernardo de Galvez Chapter #1**  
**May 2004 Meeting Minutes**  
**May 18, 2024**

**PRESENT: (13)**

**MEMBERS (10)**

Billy Mayo, President  
John Loper, Secretary  
Frank Steele, Color Guard Commander  
David Zwahr, Registrar  
Jon Zwahr, Photographer  
Clark Wright, Webmaster  
Guy Taylor, Jr.  
Lonnie Cox  
Robert Adams  
Jay Creech

**GUESTS (3)**

Olivia Gibbs  
Rainy Gibbs and Husband

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Billy Mayo called the meeting to order at 12 Noon CDT.

**INVOCATION and PLEDGES**

President Billy Mayo opened the meeting with a prayer and then led the Pledges to the United States flag, the Texas Flag and the SAR.

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**LUNCH**

**YOUTH AWARDS**

Olivia Gibbs was recognized as the Chapter Winner and TXSSAR 5<sup>th</sup> Place Winner for the Middle School Brochure Contest. She presented a brief overview of her brochure on the Boston Tea Party and was subsequently presented two checks from the Chapter and the State as well as a Certificate of Recognition.

**PROGRAM**

Registrar David Zwahr gave an excellent presentation on "Marriage Records." He explained the multitude of sources for historical marriage records and their limitations in various portions of the country. The presentation was well received by all.

**OTHER CHAPTER AWARDS**

Registrar David Zwahr was presented a Certificate of Appreciation, and Compatriot Jay Creech was presented a Vietnam War Veterans Corps Certificate and Award.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

A motion and was made and seconded to approve the Secretary's Report for April 2024, as posted on the Chapter Website.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

President Billy Mayo reported that our checking account balance at the end of April was \$11,159.53. There is also \$1,666.67 in the JROTC Scholarship Fund. He also reminded everyone to be sure to sign up for the Kroger Community Awards Program (<http://www.Kroger.com>; Community Awards Program; ER869 – Sons of the American Revolution)

### **STATUE REPORT**

The balance at the end of April is \$5,871.47.

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Registrar David Zwahr reported that we have 79 Current Active Members, including New Members. Several additional applications are in process.

### **WEBSITE REPORT**

Webmaster Clark Wright reported that our website is up to date.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

We still need better participation in our various committees and better attendance at our Monthly meetings.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Multiple ROTC/JROTC awards were presented during April and May, including at the LaPorte ISD, Dickinson ISD, Galveston ISD, Clear Creek ISD and the Texas Maritime Academy. No Chapter JROTC Scholarships were awarded this year. Beginning with this meeting, the cost for meals was increased by \$5 to \$25 and the costs for a drink only is \$5. These increases are necessary due to increased charges from Kelley's to service our meetings. Compatriot John Loper, on behalf of Bugles Across America, played taps the Houston National Cemetery on April 23 for United States Coast Guard Veteran Shirley Reagor.

### **2024 CHAPTER CALENDAR**

- 27 May – Memorial Day; Color Guard Event
- 15 June – Chapter Meeting (in the back area of Kelley's)
- 04 Jul – Independence Day
- 20 Jul – Chapter Meeting
- 17 Aug- Chapter Meeting – John Espinosa

- 21 Sep – Joint DAR/SAR Meeting
- 19 Oct – Chapter Meeting – Dick Grey – “Under Fire”
- 11 Nov – Veterans Day – Color Guard Event – Seabrook Memorial Park
- 16 Nov – Chapter Meeting – Elections
- 07 Dec – Chapter Meeting – Installation of Officers
- 07 Dec – Dicken on the Strand

For information and updates, please refer to the Bernardo de Galvez Web Page ([www.bdgsar.org](http://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 Billy Mayo and recited by all Compatriots.

### **DISMISSAL**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m. CDT.