LADIES AUXILIARY

Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution BOM Meeting, Lake Jackson, Texas Clute Public Library August 1, 2009

Opening

Call to Order-President Linda Edwards Invocation-Linda Edwards Pledge to American Flag-June Everheart Ladies Auxiliary Pledge

Welcome-Linda Edwards

Special thanks to our hostesses from the Cradle of Texas chapter, Lake Jackson.

Roster sign in-make corrections to email and address if necessary.

Announcement of door prizes on sale for \$1 or 5 tickets for \$3 furnished by Linda Edwards and Wanda White. These proceeds to be used for operating expenses.

Minutes-Judy West

Connie Barker made motion to accept minutes following discussion and corrections of minutes from the State Convention in Nacogdoches.

Barbara Magerkurth name spelled correctly, and list her as being from California. She brought greetings from the National Ladies Auxiliary. Corrected spelling of Sylvia Marrs's name. Corrected date of meeting to Saturday, March 21, 2009.

Eliminate from minutes listing of those who second motions.

Minutes approved by unanimous vote of group following discussion.

Treasurer and Registrar Report-Barbara Baker

Barbara discussed in detail the payment and lack of payment of dues. Dues should be paid in March. Thirty-six people have not paid for two years. Barbara recommended they be dropped from the membership. Sylvia Marrs made the motion and it passed. Membership lists were dispersed to chapter members to be taken back to individual chapters for possible collection of dues. Barbara requested anyone paying dues to please put in an envelope with name and what it is for on the front. Current membership stands at 157.

Barbara reported that the Chase account is completely closed out now and the new account at North Dallas Bank and Trust Company is open. No fees will be charged and interest will be paid on the balance in the account.

Report as of August 1, 2009 was as follows:

Balance on Hand 3-21-09	\$4,995.31
Receipts	912.00
Disbursements	2324.00
Balance on Hand 8-1-09	3537.51

Committee Reports-none

Report from Texas First Lady – Mickey Jo Lawrence

Mickey expressed that it is an honor to be First Lady and asked that all past First Ladies stand. She asked that the membership let her know if there is anything that she can do to help the group. Her responsibilities to her job and her family take a large part of her time but she is willing as Tom's wife to support him and the organization as much as possible.

Report from National First Lady- Robin Butler

Robin said that she and Ed have many trips already scheduled. She has coordinated her hospital work schedule with their SAR travel. She announced that next year the National Congress will be in Cleveland, Ohio from June 23 to July 1 so that it will not interfere with the DAR National Meeting on July 7- July 11. Robin encouraged all that can to make plans to attend the National Congress. There are many plans already being made and it should be fun. Special plans are being made for those in the group that want to bring their children. There is a mall at the hotel, a genealogy seminar is planned, a First Ladies Tea, a trip to an art museum and other activities. Ed is hoping during his tenure to bring George Washington's ring, that is now in a safe, to museums throughout the US to promote SAR. Robin said that she and Ed plan to host a trip to Spain May 10-20, 2010 and hoped that many would be able to join them. Robin expressed how honored she and Ed were with the gifts and honors bestowed on them by the Texas Delegation at the time of their installation. At the National Congress, Robin enjoyed participating in the National Bell Ringing Ceremony on the Fourth of July. Ed and Robin hosted three receptions in their suite during their time in Atlanta.

At the National Ladies Auxiliary meeting, Evelyn Simpson was installed as the new President. Evelyn is from Louisville, KY and the wife of David Simpson. She has made arrangements for the National cookbooks to be placed in the Patriotic Museum in Atlanta for sale.

Old Business

Diane Jones and Barbara Stevens gave a report on the ticket sales of the framed needlework raffle. These works of art were stitched by Anne Mitchell of the Piney Woods Chapter. Plans will be to continue to sell tickets with the hopes that by next March we will have raised \$1,000 and the drawing will take place. The tickets are selling 3 for \$5.00 or \$2.00 a piece. Flyers are included in the envelopes with tickets. The flyer is on the web if you need to print more.

New Business

Linda asked for a show of hands if anyone would be interested in a newsletter so that the group could get to know each other a little better. Some interest was shown but it would be work for someone to do this. At this time the idea was tabled.

Linda announced that plans are being made for the ladies meeting at the Annual South Central District Meeting, August 21-22 in Irving, Texas. Suzanne Fife will present a program entitled Women in the Revolution. A meet and greet will start the ladies meeting. Linda and Wendell Edwards take small personal hygiene items, socks, hankies, etc. to the VA hospital in Bonham. Attendees at the South Central District Meeting are asked to bring these items to help sponsor this project. As an activity following the program, cards will be provided so that personal notes can be written and added to the gift sacks for the Veterans.

Program

Freida Daniels introduced our speaker for the day, Mary Beth Jones. Mary Beth will have books for sale at the luncheon today. She gave a very informative and delightful program on the interesting early businesses in Brazoria, Co. Some of these included a Spanish Moss Factory, a Hide and Talon business, a Fig Plant, the Sour Dirt Industry, and a Frog Farm.

Announcements

It was announced that both Texas and National pins were for sale for \$10 each.

Mary Thompson agreed to fill the vacant position of Chaplin for the coming term.

Cards will be sent to those members not feeling well. It was reported that Mary Lynn Johnson was on oxygen and not eating or sleeping well. A card will be sent to Marilyn Walker to let her know that she is missed.

The winner of the raffled quilt from last year's project was Diane and Ron Smith. They are pictured with Marilyn Walker on the web site below. (http://www.txssar.org/, click on the "About TXSSAR" tab, then choose "Texas Compatriot", then "2009", finally "Spring 09", finally go to page 6.)

Patricia Taylor encouraged others to replicate a project they are doing in one of the middle schools. Twice a year her husband is going into the school and helping students to learn about their family history. She announced that some have American Indian in their backgrounds and in some cases this might help them to get scholarships. Anything we can do at our local levels to help with the teaching of history is highly encouraged.

Benediction-Linda Edwards

Following the benediction and recessional the meeting was adjoined. Lunch followed at Café Anice.

Respectfully Submitted (original signed by Judy West)