



**SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
FREEDOM CHAPTER
January 19, 2021**

MINUTES

VIA ZOOM

Call to Order: 6:02 PM

David Underdown, Chapter President

Pledges/Invocations

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag – David Underdown

Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag – David Underdown

SAR Pledge – Mel Oller

Invocation – David Underdown

Introduction of Guest – Bob Cohen, Independence Chapter

Members Present - 18

Speaker: Ms. Janine Cloud, *FamilyTreeDNA* Groups Projects Events Manager

“Solving Genealogical Puzzles with Targeted Testing”

DNA testing can be a valuable tool for genealogists, but to solve family puzzles, more than one test may be needed, and often more than one tester. What do you do if you are not the best candidate to test? Janine Cloud explained how to determine which test may work best for your type of puzzle, and how to figure out who the best test candidate is. Excellent presentation and most of us learned more about testing and chromosomes than we had ever had (and I, for one, was left just as ‘puzzled’ as I was before Ms. Cloud started).

Roundtable Introduction: none tonight due to the length of program.

Minutes of Last Meeting: accepted posted of website

Treasurer’s Report: none

Registrar’s Report: none

New Business



2021 Oration Youth Contest: Compatriot Oller recapped Oration contest, held 17 January. Due to Covid, this year's contest was done using Video recordings at a local church in the Spring area. Freedom Chapter had 6 entries, 1 young lady and 5 young men. Compatriots present included: Mel Oller, David Underdown, John K. Thompson, Art Bynum, and Ed Sellards

Annual Supplemental and American Reports: Compatriot Ed Sellards talked about upcoming February and March due dates for annual reports and solicited input from Chapter Officers.

The Day in History: Don Stone – Robert E. Lee and his Rev War Father “Lighthorse” Harry Lee. Robert’s birthday today: “A Perfect Type of Gentleman”. Harry’s service at Yorktown: “No Man in the Campaign had equal merit”.

SAR Closing/Adjourn: David Underdown 7:25 PM

NOTE: NEW NATIONAL SAR LOGO

<i>Sons of the American Revolution</i> <i>Freedom Chapter</i> <i>Monthly Financial Report</i> January, 2021			
		 	
Beginning balance: December 1, 2020		\$5,710.47	
Income:			
12/04 - Texas Society SAR		\$136.00	
Expenses:			
Ending balance: December 31, 2020		\$5,846.47	
Prepared by: <i>Davis Morton, Treasurer</i>			