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## RineyMoods Pine Showings

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### Constitutional Week Dinner Meeting To Be Held September 19

The PineyWoods Chapter will hold its Constitutional Week Membership Dinner meeting at the DoubleTree Hotel, 15747 JFK Blvd., Houston Intercontinental Airport, Houston, on Thursday, September 19. Your RSVP form is also included with this newsletter as well as an addressed envelope for returning your check to the Chapter by the deadline of Saturday, September 14. Members, wives and guests are invited to attend.

Our Keynote Speaker will be Compatriot Perry W. Steele, Chairman of the TXSSAR Public Safety Committee from Kerrville, TX..

Please make every effort to attend this

#### 9-DIGIT ZIP CODES NEEDED

PineyWoods Secretary Jeff Meadows is requesting 9-digit zip codes from the follow Compatriots: Jason L. BEIHL, Vance P. EDWARDES, Clinton R. FLEMING, J. Richard FREEMAN, Allen J. GREEN, Jr., William A. GREEN, Lawrence LANE, Paul T. LUTHER, Howard B. MCCARTY, Larry S. RICHARDS, James L. SLOAN, James R. SLOAN, Patrick M. THOMPSON, Jr., and Keith WIGGINS.

The Texas Society, as well as National, is now requiring the 9-digit zip codes for the mailing of *The Texas Compatriot* because of the use of a non-profit bulk mailing permit. It is possible that you will not receive future issues of *The Texas Compatriot* without submitting your 9-digit zip code to the Secretary of the PineyWoods Chapter, who is also the Editor of *The Texas Compatriot*. The Chapter Secretary also maintains the mailing records of the Chapter, publishes and mails the *PineyWoods Pine Shavings* and will forward these zip codes to the TXSSAR Recording Secretary.

If you are not sure what your 9-digit zip code is, look on your telephone bill address or on most "junk" mail. Please submit this information as soon as possible to Jeff M. Meadows, P.O. Box 5004, Liberty, TX 77575-2304 either by letter or post card.

meeting as there will be new Membership Certificates and Rosettes presented to Vance P. Edwardes, Clinton R. Fleming, Kenneth W. Fleming, Lawrence Lane and T. Keith Wiggins. There will also be 5 Supplemental Certificates and Gold Stars presented. The PineyWoods Chapter will also present three War Service Medals and Certificates to member Compatriots.

The PineyWoods Chapter membership has 110 approved Compatriots as of August 12, 1996. The Chapter has one awaiting approval in Louisville and 4-5 other prospective members working on their applications.



The PineyWoods Chapter is investigating the possible use of a non-profit bulk mailing permit and this will necessitate that this chapter maintain correct and current addresses and the 9-digit zip code for each Compatriot. Therefore if you change your address, it is imperative that you inform your Chapter Secretary of your new address. Non-profit bulk mail will not be forwarded and you will not receive publications from your Chapter or the Texas Society.

#### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

01	Sloan
03Conrad Carr	oll, Jr.
05	n Key
06	udtke
09Keith W	iggins
13	Green
16Worthy Warnack	, M.D.
17Larry Ric	chards
19Kevin	Lucas
29	Sisson

#### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

01	Raymond Cox
06	Larry Stevens
07	Bernard Balser
07	Craig Reese
14	Kenneth Fleming
19	Lawrence Lane
20	John Meredith
20	Glenn Withrow
21	Donald McKenna
29	Joe Davidson
30	Matthew Greenwood

#### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

06
11Harold Green, Jr.
15Worth Warnack, Sr.
13Byron Basham
16Allan Henshaw
20Paul Luther
25
29

Please send your typed contributions for the PineyWoods Pine Shavings to the Chapter Secretary by the deadline of one week after each Chapter meeting or board meeting.

Also need is the biographical sketch of each proven Patriot by all approved members and that includes supplemental Patriots. If you have not submitted your profile on your Patriots, please do so immediately. They will be printed as space is available on a first come, first printed basis.

#### PINEYWOODS CHAPTER HOLDS COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN MEETING

PineyWoods Chapter President Bernard Balser called special meeting for Chairmen and members of the Chapter's committees, which was held Friday, August 23 in the Community Room of the First American Title Bldg. on Kingwood Drive.



Thomas M. Green, TXSSAR Genealogist and Past President of the PineyWoods Chapter presented a genealogical wWorkshop at the Denton TXSSAR Board of Managers' Meeting, August 3

# Compatriot's Patriots

#### John Oliver Albright - #119889 - TX7911 Patriot Ensign Jonas Morgan 4th Great Grandfather

Jonas Morgan was born 20 December 1752 at Preston, CT. He was among the fourth generation of Morgans to be born in the New London/Preston area. Jonas' father, Samuel, was the town clerk for Preston and must have believed in constructing things well since the house he built at the time of his marriage (1728) lasted until it "was wrecked in 1961 by a gas explosion in the cellar." Little is known of Jonas' early life. His father passed away when he was 17 and it is likely that Jonas was apprenticed to a local merchant soon thereafter.

In 1777 Jonas was appointed an Ensign of the First Company of Colonel Samuel McClellan's Regiment of Connecticut Militia. As yet, no details have been located as to Jonas' specific activities while in the militia, however considering his aptitude for business and trading, it is possible that he was the quartermaster for the regiment. On 13 December 1781 in Preston, Jonas married Sarah Mott, daughter of Major Edward Mott, who had been the Commander of the garrison of Fort Groton, CT.

After the end of the War, Jonas and Sarah moved to Lansingburgh, NY, a small trading center on the east bank of the

## 1996-97 PINEYWOODS CHAPTER MEETING SCHEDULE

September 19, 1996: Constitution Week Chapter Dinner Meeting; Guest Speaker: Perry W. Steele Chairman TXSSAR Public Safety Committee. Meeting for members, wives and guests.

October 17, 1996: Members Only at Trigg's

November 1-3: Board of Managers' Meeting at the Inn at Scott & White in Temple.

November 21, 1996 - Dinner Meeting. Members, wives and guests. Guest Speaker: TXSSAR Treasurer, Frank Gibson of Austin, "Patriot Songs of the Revolution"

December 1996 - No Scheduled Meeting

January 16, 1997 - Presentation of the slate of officers by the nominating committee; Dinner Meeting for members, wives and guest.

February 20, 1997 - Election of Officers for 1997-98; Members Only

March 20, 1997 - Installation of 1997-98 Officers;

Hudson River near Albany. their daughter Sally was born there on 18 November 1787. Jonas became "a prominent early merchant in Lansingburgh and (his name) appears in may early local records." His wife, Sarah, passed away on 8 June 1801, after which he married Mrs. Lucy Galpin, widow of Jehiel Galpin.

Jonas appears to have been a very successful businessman and even more so after 1804 when Lansingburgh became the site of the first bridge across the Hudson River north of New York City. He passed away on 7 October 1824 and is buried in the Lansingburgh Village Cemetery; however it is reported that his tombstone is now too faded to read.

### JOHN OLIVER ALBRIGHT - #119889 - TX7911 PATRIOT COLONEL EBENEZER WALBRIDGE 4TH GREAT GRANDFATHER

Ebenezer Walbridge was born 20 DEC 1738 at Norwich, CT. As Ebenezer grew to manhood, he migrated to the frontier land of northwestern Massachusetts. In 1760 in Northfield, MA, he married Elizabeth Stebbins, whose maternal grandfather and great grandfather were victims of the infamous "Deerfield Massacres." They had five children in Northfield and then moved to Bennington, Vermont, where they had another five. Ebenezer seems to have been actively involved

in local matters as his name appears in the records for "killing five snakes," providing refreshments during the "building of a new meeting-house," being appointed "surveyor of lumber," and "cullor of shingles."

With the outbreak of hostilities, Ebenezer joined the famous "Green Mountain Boys" (Vermont) Militia. On 3 March 1776, he was Adjutant of the local regiment and from October 1776, he was at Fort Ticonderoga until it was evacuated by St. Claire 06 July 1777. He served as Adjutant at the Battle of Bennington, where his brother Henry was killed, and soon after was promoted to Major with orders to build a storehouse in Bennington. By 23 April 1778, he had been promoted to Colonel and in September 1778 he was chosen as the representative from Bennington to the First General Assembly. In October 1778 he was a member of the "Committee on Treason" and in 1780 he was given command of the Bennington Regiment and chosen as representative to the Second General assembly. In April 1781 he was one of a committee of three who signed letters of credit issued by Vermont (25,155 pounds) and in June 1781 he had several people arrested for counterfeiting said letters. he continued to serve in the militia for the duration of the war.

When peace came to the new nation, Ebenezer played an active role in the development of Vermont's State Constitution and was promoted to the rank of General in the State Militia. In later years, he held a variety of state and local positions until he passed away in 1819 in Bennington.

## JACK C. LIGHTFOOT - #146404 - TX#7899 PATRIOT THOMAS HADLEY 4TH GREAT GRANDFATHER

Thomas Hadley was a native of New Castle, Delaware born in 1728. He was the oldest son of Joshua Hadley, b. 1703 in Pennsylvania and Mary Rowland, b. 1700 in Pennsylvania.

Thomas settled in Cumberland Co., NC as a land owner and served as Captain of mounted men. He was considered a formidable foe by the Tories, who captured Fayetteville in August, 1781.

His family was at his home eleven miles from Fayetteville near Cape Fear River. He returned to visit them in September, 1781, leaving his company in camp. The Tories found him at home and surrounded it in the darkness. Captain Hadley leaned out of an upper story and called for his men as a ruse to frighten the Tories and a Tory fired at the direction of his voice killing him instantly.

Thomas' oldest son, Captain Joshua Hadley of the Continental Army fought in the battle of Brandywine and Germantown and was wounded at the Battle of Eutaw Springs on September 8, 1781. This son was also a member of the Society of the Cincinnati which counted George Washington as its first President-General.

I descend from the fifth child and fourth oldest son, Benjamin Hadley and Elizabeth King, married in 1785. Benjamin was a veteran of the War of 1812.

### JEFFREY M. MEADOWS #142213-TX#7350 PATRIOT HEINRICH ALSPACH 5TH GREAT GRANDFATHER

Patriot Heinrich Alspach is the fifth great grandfather of Compatriot Jeffrey M. Meadows. Henrich Alspach was born about 1745 in Berks County, Pennsylvania and died on 15 June 1822 in Bloom Township, Fairfield County, Ohio. He married Catherine Stein on 13 October 1766 in Berks County, PA. Catherine died after 1822 in Bloom Township, Fairfield County, Ohio and are both buried in the Betzer Cemetery in Fairfield County, Ohio.

Records show that Heinrich Alspach, as well as two of his sons, Michael and John, fought in the Revolutionary War and that following his term in the war, he was given two tracts of land in what was then Virginia Military Reservation, now in Fairfield County, Ohio. One grant was for 212 acres and 140 perches (rods); and the other was for 417 acres and 129 perches. Heinrich served as a Private in Captain Wills' Company, 3rd Battalion, Berks County Militia, PA, March 1777 - March 1780 and Private in Captain Bernard Zimmerman's Company, Lancaster County, PA.

Heinrich and Catherine Alspach were the parents of 17 children, 13 living to marry. I descend from the third child and second son, Henry Alspach, who was born 20 January 1773 in Berks Co., PA and died 28 August 1825 in Fairfield Co., OH. Henry Jr. married Anna Marie Hener on September 18, 1797 in Berks Co., PA.

### JEFFREY M. MEADOWS - #142213 -TX#7350 PATRIOT BARNHARDT BOTHMAN 5TH GREAT GRANDFATHER

Barnhardt Bothman was born 26 December 1747 in Metz, Lothringen, Alsace, Prussia and arrived in America as the servant of General Lafayette in 1778. In a meeting with General George Washington's forces north of the Delaware River, Gen. Lafayette left his servant in the hands of Gen. Washington. It was then that Bothman immediately enlisted in the American cause in September 1778, first serving as a servant to Gen. George Washington. Bothman served as a Private under Commissary Thomas Armstrong of Jew Jersey, as a Private under Captain Outwater of New Jersey, as a Private under Captain Peter Ward of New Jersey and as a Private under Col. Parker of the Virginia Continental Line. Barnhardt Bothman continually re-enlisted until the end of the war. He was a volunteer substitute soldier for 9 months in New Jersey and a volunteer soldier for 2 years in Pennsylvania. He remained in Bucks and Beaver Counties, Pennsylvania for 19 years prior to taking his bounty land and moving to Unity, Columbiana County, Ohio

and served from beginning of war to surrender of Cornwallis. "Family rumor" is that Barnhardt carved Washington's first set of false teeth - only a rumor that cannot be verified.

He married Catharine Oberbeck on 16 October 1783 in Bucks County, PA and in Unity, Columbiana County, Ohio he and Catherine were the parents of 17 children, 12 living to marry. Barthardt died on 12 January 1843 at the age of 95 years, 17 days.

Barnhardt was also called Barnard, Barnabas, Barnard, Barnerd, Benjamin, and Ben; records and legal documents surrounding his surname are also listed as Bothman, Boteman, Botman, Bodman, and his will is filed under Bothmore with an amendment under Boatman.

Benjamin/Barnhardt/Barnard Boatman (Bothmann) was known as Barnabas Boatman to his grandchildren. Benjamin Bothman of Bucks County, PA is one in the same as Barnhart Bothman, is buried in Boatman Cemetery, (named for him) East Palestine, Columbiana County, Ohio, along with his wife Catharine, as he is the only Revolutionary War Veteran buried in this cemetery.

A new large tombstone with the American Flag engraved on it, as well as a flag pole with an American Flag was dedicated on 4 July 1976 when the cemetery was re-named the Boatman Cemetery, having previously been named the East Palestine Cemetery.

### JEFFREY M. MEADOWS #142213-TX#7350 JUDITH STEWART LIGON 6TH GREAT GRANDMOTHER

Patriot Judith Stewart Ligon is the 6th great grandmother of Compatriot Jeffrey M. Meadows. Judith Stewart Ligon was born about 1708 in Virginia and married first, Joseph Ligon in 1720/1725 in Henrico County, VA (born in 1704 in Henrico County and died before 6 June 1752 in Chesterfield County) and was the son of William Ligon and Elizabeth Batte. Judith Ligon then married Joseph's first cousin, James Ligon and she outlived him. Joseph and Judith Ligon had eight children and James and Judith had two children. I descend from the eighth child of her first marriage to Joseph Ligon, youngest daughter Elizabeth Ligon who married Samuel Pointer.

Judith Stewart Ligon died in Chesterfield County, VA, will recorded on 2 November 1784 and proved on 7 March 1784. Public Service Claim Certificate: Chesterfield County, Virginia, Item No. 165: 3 October 1781, shows that she contributed one beef weighing one hundred and fifty pounds for the use of the United States and was paid £1.17.6 Public Service Claims, Commissioner's Book 2, Reel 6, p. 33: 14 August 1783, shows that she contributed beef for the Com. (Comptons), p. B, Law as of Certificate allowed by the Court of Chesterfield.

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as of August 15, 1996 has 110 approved Compatriots with 1 awaiting approval in Louisville