



# PINEYWOODS PINE SHAVINGS

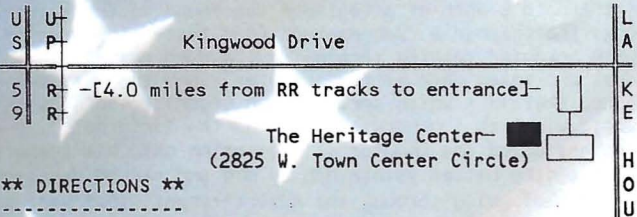
## NEWS OF THE PINEYWOODS CHAPTER #51

### TEXAS SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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#### NOTICE OF MEETING: "Members Only" Dinner Meeting - 17 JAN

On Thursday; JAN 17, 2002; Pineywoods Chapter #51 of the TxSSAR will hold a "Members Only" dinner meeting at the \*NEW\* Heritage Center just off of Kingwood Drive in Kingwood (see directions below). A social time shall commence at 6:15 PM with dinner (Jason's deli sandwiches like what we had at the October meeting) to be served promptly at 7:00. No formal presentation is scheduled however a number of Chapter concerns will be addressed INCLUDING nominations for Chapter officers for the new year. The dinner cost is \$10.50 per person. All members who are able to do so are encouraged to attend (read that as qualified individuals not attending may be nominated "in absentia" for offices). Please respond ASAP either by e-mail to: Genmorton@usa.net \*OR\* by returning the enclosed RSVP.



**\*\* DIRECTIONS \*\***

- a) From US 59 exit Kingwood Drive going east. Cross RR tracks go 4 miles. Turn right on Main (between Fudruckers & MacDonalds).
- b) \*OR\* Drive north on Lake Houston Parkway and turn left on Town Center Place (last one before Kingwood Drive).

#### PINEYWOODS CHAPTER ANNUAL REPORT DUE AT TxSSAR BY 01 FEB!

OK, OK, so I've been nagging you for the last three months! Well, this is it - the Chapter's annual report of activities is due "in the hands of the... Chairman no later than February 1st..." And if you don't voluntarily provide me with the data, I'll just have to get more proactive in obtaining it (fair warning: my best friend in college is now a telemarketer and has shared with me some tips to encourage "cooperation!") IN PARTICULAR, I need to know about any and all patriotic meetings any of you have attended (SAR, DAR, veterans organizations, memorials...), SAR related civic activities (sponsorship of contests, eagle scouts, color guards...), anything of a patriotic nature that you've had published lately, and/or anything else that you've done which may be viewed as forwarding the ideals of patriotic Americanism. So call me before midnight tonight at: (281) 856-7478 \*\*OR\*\* send me the information via e-mail at NCC1861@aol.com \*\*OR\*\* write me a letter at:

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I will be assembling the first draft of the report in the next two weeks and finalizing it in mid-January for approval by the Chapter and submission to state by the given deadline. Thank you in advance for your prompt assistance in this matter.

#### History Quiz #3 (Given by Judge Tom Lawrence at 15 NOV Mtg.)

01. At the outbreak of the war John Adams estimated that what percentage of colonists were British supporters or Tories?  
A. 10%      B. 25%      C. 33%      D. 50%
  02. When Paul Revere rode to warn of the British marching on Lexington and Concord, where was he captured?  
A. before Lexington      B. just beyond Lexington  
C. just beyond Concord      D. he wasn't captured
  03. The Boston Massacre occurred when laid off workers marched on the government house to protest British soldiers having taken their jobs. What was the workers' profession?  
A. fishmongers      B. stevedores  
C. rope makers      D. shipwrights
  04. The 1800 election was deadlocked in the House of Representatives between Republicans Jefferson and Burr when this man convinced the Federalists to back Jefferson. Who was he?  
A. James Madison      B. John Adams  
C. Alexander Hamilton      D. Elbridge Gerry
  05. Which colony did NOT send a delegate to the First Continental Congress in Philadelphia?  
A. Georgia      B. Rhode Island      C. Kentucky      D. Maine
  06. In what city was the first capitol of the United States under the new constitution adopted in 1789?  
A. Philadelphia      B. New York      C. WashingtonDC      D. Boston
  07. He was the only American general who never lost a battle. He fought and won battles, which allowed the patriots to control the west throughout the war. He achieved fame at the battle of Vincennes and founded Louisville, KY. Who was he?  
A. Daniel Boone      B. Tom Green  
C. Merriweather Lewis      D. George Rogers Clark
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((History Quiz #3, continued))

08. This Virginian and Revolutionary War cavalry officer was a great friend and defender of George Washington. He offered the famous toast about Washington that went: "First in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen." Who was this famous toastmaster?  
A. Richard Henry Lee      B. Alexander Hamilton  
C. Nathaniel Green      D. Daniel Morgan
09. Every state except this one sent delegates to the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia in 1787. This lone hold-out did not participate because its leaders did not sympathize with the nationalistic goals of the convention. Which state did not send delegates?  
A. South Carolina      B. Rhode Island  
C. Georgia      D. New Hampshire
10. Which President was the first to occupy the White House?  
A. George Washington      B. John Adams  
C. Thomas Jefferson      D. James Madison

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FUTURE NATIONAL SAR MEETINGS:

112th Annual Congress  
 JUN 29 - JUL 03, 2002  
 Stouffer Renaissance, Nashville

113th Annual Congress  
 JUL 03 - 09, 2003  
 Hyatt on the Riverwalk, Chicago

114th Annual Congress  
 JUL 03 - 07, 2004  
 Hilton Hotel, Pittsburgh, PA

Following are the "notional" (read that at "proposed" or "tentative") dates and "types" of meetings for the upcoming the 2001-2003 calendar years:

17 JAN 2002 - member only mtg.  
 21 FEB 2002 - dinner meeting & officer election  
 21 MAR 2002 - member only mtg & install officers  
 18 APR 2002 - dinner meeting  
 9 MAY 2002 - \*\*BOARD MEETING\*\*  
 16 MAY 2002 - member only mtg.  
 JUN 2002 - no meeting  
 JUL 2002 - no meeting  
 15 AUG 2002 - \*\*BOARD MEETING\*\*  
 19 SEP 2002 - dinner meeting  
 17 OCT 2002 - member only mtg.  
 21 NOV 2002 - dinner meeting  
 DEC 2002 - no meeting

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Please join the Chapter in wishing the following members a heartfelt Happy Birthday:

« DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS »

12.07 Richard Walter McCaine  
 12.08 James Riley Sloan  
 12.09 Marvin McLeod Smith Jr.  
 12.10 Kenneth R. Vaughn III  
 12.10 Clay Vincent Warlick  
 12.18 Charles Miller McKim Jr.  
 12.24 William Nicholas Foster  
 12.27 John Barton Dorsey  
 12.30 Martin Benjamin Gantt Jr  
 12.30 Ray Garnett Collins III

« JANUARY BIRTHDAYS »

01.10 James P. Richards Sr.  
 01.16 Dennis M. Key  
 01.28 Jason Lee Beihl

ANSWERS TO HISTORY QUIZ #3:  
 (see page 1, column 1)

01. 33%  
 02. just beyond Lexington  
 03. ropemakers  
 04. Alexander Hamilton  
 05. Georgia  
 06. New York  
 07. George Rogers Clark  
 08. Richard Henry Lee  
 09. Rhode Island  
 10. John Adams

The membership didn't do as well on this quiz as on the previous ones: only three members plus the guest speaker (a Professor of history) got over 50% of the answers correct. Tied with the top scores of seven correct answers each, Professor Wolfe and last month's winner John Albright were thrown into a "sudden death" face off. John ultimately prevailed on the fifth tie breaker question and was awarded a copy of the book "Three Men of Boston" for his efforts.

Chapter Member Publishes First Novel: PineyWoods member Robert E. Armstrong has completed a nine (9!) year project and has published his first novel, a murder mystery entitled "Canis". Set in the Houston area, the book follows the efforts of a Houston veterinarian to track down a particularly heinous serial killer. Drawing from his own experiences as a career veterinarian Robert has completed his novel which includes recognizable places in the Kingwood and "downtown" areas of Houston. Congratulations on your accomplishment, Bob.

MINUTES OF 15 NOV 2001 DINNER MEETING: On Thursday, November 15, 2001 - PineyWoods Chapter #51 of the Texas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution held a dinner meeting at the Holiday Inn near Bush International Airport in Houston, Texas. Seventeen (17) members and nine (9) guests were present. At 7:00 PM Chapter President Bob Smith gavelled the meeting to order (yes, he has found the wayward gavel) whereupon the assembled individuals recited the pledge of allegiance and the SAR pledge. Following the opening prayer, the business portion of the meeting was adjourned for dinner. Following the meal, at 7:46, Bob reconvened the business portion of the meeting by sheepishly admitting that whereas he had found the gavel, he had mislaid the list of Chapter officer nominees for the upcoming year and so discussion of the slate would have to wait for the next meeting. Bob then called for the officers reports. Secretary Albright presented the minutes of the previous meeting and there being no changes a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to accept the minutes as presented. The secretary also noted that thanks to past president Bob McKenna he has been able to assemble a complete set of the Chapter's Newsletters. Treasurer Fleming noted that one of the Chapter's CDs will be maturing in January with an anticipated future yield of 3.75% if we allow it rollover. Don Lemon volunteered to look into alternatives with the hopes of bringing the yield up over 4%. Genealogist Morton presented more info on the types of information contained on the set of Revolutionary War era microfilm (50 rolls) recently acquired by the Clayton Library and presented everyone present with a photocopy of Benedict Arnold's oath of allegiance (as found in those tapes). Ray Cox, the Chapter's "Web Master" (for those of you unfamiliar with computer related terminology, a "web master" is an individual who takes care of the computer - and the information contained therein - which serves as an organization's "site" on the world wide web - otherwise known as the "internet"), noted that he has moved the Chapter's information onto his computer where it can be better maintained by him and can be accessed by others WITHOUT going through the advertisements that were built into the commercial computer we were previously using. To access the web site, connect to "coxsw@ev1.net". Following the officers' reports President Bob Smith presented Judge Tom Lawrence with an SAR war service medal (congratulations Tom) and then asked Don Lemon to present the Flag Certificate (which had been approved at the previous meeting) to Robbins' Auto Mall for their conspicuous display of the American flag. Vice President Cannon Pritchard then introduced the evening's speaker: Professor Dean Wolfe of Kingwood College (Professor Wolfe teaches Western Civilization and American History and has been named as a "Professor of the Year" by students and faculty. He is also author of a book on his experiences in Vietnam entitled "Vietnam, Stories from the Rear"). In his presentation, Prof. Wolfe started by reviewing a number of the "founders" of the American Revolution and noting the common traits among them - in particular noting that most came from positions of prosperity and/or influential families. He then focused on patriot Thomas Paine and discussed how his key contribution to the Revolution was in writing pamphlets that presented the ideals and goals of the Revolution in terms that the general populace was able to understand and thereby he gained their support for the effort. In retrospect, the message is still applicable to us in these post-9/11 times: that the United States needs capable leaders to set the national goals but that we also need to be able to communicate those goals to the citizenship in such a way that they are compelled to take the actions necessary to achieve those goals. The Chapter would like to once again thank Professor Wolfe for his informative presentation. Following the talk, Judge Tom Lawrence once again pulled a pop quiz on the attendees (for the questions, see page 1, column 1 - for the answers see column 2, this page). Though it required a number of "tie breaker" questions top honors were finally awarded to John Albright who just barely squeaked by Professor Wolfe. President Smith announced that the next meeting would be for "members only" at the Kingwood Heritage Center (see notice of meeting on page 1, column 1) and would occur on 17 JAN 2002. Following the SAR recessional pledge and the closing prayer the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM, with as they used to say in the society pages, "and a good time was had by all!"