

# Pine Shavings

PineyWoods Chapter #51
Texas Society of Sons of the American Revolution





#### From The President

Thanks to the PineyWoods members attending the convention. Abe Abdmoulaie, Michael Anderson, John Beard, Ray Cox, Jim Jones, B Ray Mize and Larry Stevens, and myself. If I missed anyone, I am sorry. The convention

was sponsored by PineyWoods and Freedom Chapters and I, for one, think it was great. The number of people in the committee meetings exceeded all expectations.

I think It is funny how people perceive things different. I may see a butterfly while you see two angels. (Think Rorschach Ink Blots)

The Honorable John T. Manning, President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, was addressing the 125th Texas Society Annual Convention. President General Manning was explaining the safety precautions that had been put in place at OUR headquarters in Louisville, KY. because of recent riots that had occurred in the area. I was gob smacked when someone jumped up and interrupted our guest. I guess be-

ing under house arrest will do that to you. I am a staunch believer in freedom of speech but also believe in being courteous. As I understood the interrupter he thought this was a convention about genealogy and President General Manning was talking politics. Genealogy is only a means to an end.

Folks this is not a genealogical organization, we are a patriotic organization defining our purpose as maintaining and extending "the institutions of American freedom, an appreciation for true patriotism, a respect for our national symbols, the value of American citizenship, [and] the unifying force of 'e pluribus unum'

that has created, from the people of many nations, one nation and one people."

When you is included you swore as a descendant of one of the Datriots.

ZOOM
NEXT Meeting
August 15th, 2020
12:30 pm

<u>Notice will be e-</u> mailed When you joined you swore as a descendant of one of the Patriots and Heroes of the American Revolution that you reaffirmed your ancestor's faith in the principles of Liberty and our Constitutional Republic and, you pledged to support The National Society, Sons of The American Revolution.

PineyWoods Members and Friends, stay home, stay safe, and God

Bless. Kermit Breed



WELCOME

**RAY COX** 



The Pledge to the Texas Flag

Honor the Texas
Flag; I pledge
allegiance to thee,
Texas, one state
under God, one and
indivisible

AGENDA August 15th, 2020

INVOCATION ALLEN BOWMAN OR JIM PINKERTON

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. KERMIT BREED

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TEXAS. KERMIT BREED

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION PLEDGE KERMIT BREED

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS EVERY INTRODUCE THEMSELVES

SECRETARY'S REPORT BERNIE KENT
TREASURER'S REPORT. B RAY MIZE
REGISTRAR'S REPORT LARRY STEVENS

OLD BUSINESS LARRY STEVENS AND/OR JOHN BEARD ON TXSSAR 125th Convention NEW BUSINESS JOHN WORM ON COUPIONS INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS KERMIT BREED

ANNOUNCEMENTS
SAR CLOSING. KERMIT

#### SAR PLEDGE

"We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."

#### SAR CLOSING

"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of rights, an Independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men."

#### **PineyWoods Chapter Officers**

President Kermit Breed

1st VP—Jerrel "Buddy" Inman

2nd VP Jim Pinkerton

Secretary—Bernie Kent Treasurer - B Ray Mize

Chancellor - Brent Montelenone

Genealogist - Kim Morton

Registrar - Larry Stevens—

Registrar - Joe Potter

Historian - Abe Abdmoulaie

Chaplain - Alan Bowman

Sgt. at Arms Ben Baskin 
Newsletter Editor Larry Stevens -

Web Master Ray Cox

### PineyWoods Chapter Newsletter Editor

Larry G. Stevens—Editor

Do to the continued LOCK DOWN, we try to find things to keep busy. And, when to have to find something to keep you



busy, it makes sticking around the home more difficult.

However, with all of the ZOOM Meetings last week; Committees during the week and then the 125 Texas Annual Convention beginning Friday Night and continuing Saturday until well after 5:30 pm; I found myself rather tired.

Thus, this LATE NEWSLETTER. STAY COVID FREE!

Look for the ZOOM Notification this week to our ZOOM Chapter Meeting. It was sent to ALL on August 13th.

#### Calendar of Events

#### **National Events**

NSSAR Louisville Leader-



ship/Trustee—September 25-26, 2020 CANCELLED (ZOOM TBA)

South Central District—October 23-24, 2020—Richardson, Texas

#### **State Events**

FALL BOM Hyatt in Frisco November 13-15, 2020



#### **Chapter Events**

Chapter Meetings-Jimmy G's

August 15, 2020 — **ZOOM** 

**September 19, 2020 – ZOOM** 

**October 17, 2020—TBA** 

Chapter Meetings are on the 3rd Saturday on the mouth..

#### Official Newsletter

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**Chapter Coupon Project—***Coupons for Overseas Military Families program*. All that is required is for you to CLIP the manufacturer's coupons that appear in the newspapers, and mail them to:

John Worm at 2130 Lexford Lane, Houston, Tx 77080. Or, bring the coupons to the next meeting.

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#### **ZOOM MEETING 18 JULY 2020**

President Kermit Breed began the Chapter meeting a 12:01 pm by welcoming all who had joined this Zoom meeting on their computers or phones. After an opening, the member recited the Pledge to the USA Flag, Pledge to the Texas Flag, followed by the SAR Pledge. Kermit stated this was our second Zoom Chapter meeting; he said he would rather meet in person, but this was a great way to meet and keep in touch during this time with COVID-19.

President Kermit Breed stated that our speakers for the August 15<sup>th</sup> Chapter meeting would be – John Kenton Thompson "Ben and Deborah Franklin"-John and wife Mary present a program playing Benjamin Franklin and Martha Read, Ben's Common-Law wife.

Kermit then introduced our program speaker.

Gerald "Jerry" Breed is a graduate of Oglethorpe University and he holds an MBA from Georgia State University. He served as an officer in the US Navy and he retired from BellSouth International as VP Network Services. Jerry joined the Piedmont Chapter Roswell, Georgia SAR in 2009 as a descendent of Joseph Breed who served in the South Carolina Militia. Jerry served six years as Editor of the Piedmont Piper and won the Carl F. Bessent Award for the Best Chapter Newsletter 2010. He served as a member of Piedmont Board of Managers for six years. Jerry and Claudia live in Marietta, Georgia and they are charter members of Johnson Ferry Baptist Church.

Jerry and Piney Woods' President Kermit Breed are cousins. Common ancestor Joseph Phillip Brantley Breed 1802 - 1876.

Kermit stated that Secretary Kent could not attend to today but that the minutes are posted in the Newsletter for all to read. The minutes were approved as written.

Chapter Treasurer B. Ray Mize reported there had been not activity to report.

Registrar Report: Kermit Breed said her was working on two new applications for Alden and Lee Bennett. The Patriot is Silas Ayer Private Morris Co NJ Militia.

Larry Stevens reported that Mike Anderson has completed and mailed his Supplement on Wyndle Bright, Wagoner VA, Wagoner, and Private NJ, to Jack Muggli, the TXSSAR Coastal Registrar. Two Completed Applications were sent to Jack Muggli for Kelly (father) and Kyle Richardson (son) and, family of Nolan and Roberta Richardson (DAR) number 201818 Ancestor Daniel Smith Private Soldier Virginia.

President Breed said the 125<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Convention July 30 to August 2 Cancelled Please read the report in the Newsletter Notifications will be sent to those members than registered by e-mail request how they would like to be refunded – entire or partial. Freedom has an expense for the Musket so you can elect to leave this money in for a drawing later to be announced. The Westin has cancelled all hotel reservations.

The Texas Society will meet by ZOOM. 125<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas VIRTUAL ZOOM Meeting will be August 7 and 8, 2020. Notification of the ZOOM Meeting will be posted on the Texas Website soon by Ray Cox. There will be a charge of \$10 for Registration. There will be an announcement sent out to all.

Compatriot John Worm was presented the Military Service Medal recognizing his service to the United States. John Worm Military Service Medal. John was a Captain in the USAF for a total of 10 years.

John Worm reported the Chapter has 16 shipments of coupons so far this year.

Germany: 6 shipments, \$21,420, Guam: 10 " \$64,500, Total: 16 shipments \$85,920

At this pace, plus the nice bump we got from the mystery donors we should easily pass last year's total of \$151,000. How 'bout dat'?!!? Chapter Coupon Nag.

There was no more old or new busines, so the meeting was adjourned after the SAR Closing and a Closing Prayer.

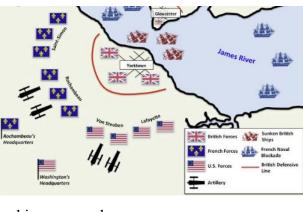
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#### The Revolution

August 1, 1781 – Cornwallis Settles at Yorktown and sets up perimeter defenses after unsuccessful in his attempts to engage National Green's forces in North Carolina. He believed he would be able to communicate better with General Clinton.

August 30, 1781 – Battle at Parker's Ferry, South Carolina. Brigadier General Francis Marion was told by Patriot Militia Colonel William Harden, who commanded a group

of Whig Militia south of the Edisto River, that Tories were searching every where around Charleston looking of Patriots. Arriving in the area on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, Marion discovered that a force of 100 Tories commanded by Colonel William "Bloody Bill" Cunningham were massed on the banks of the Pon Pon River and were planning to join a larger force of British and Hessian Regulars and Loyalist. On August 30, Marion quickly planned an ambush by placing his men under cover some forty paces of the road. He then sent out a mounted decoy to meet the advancing Torie militia. The Tories, spotting a White Cockade, the mark of Marion's men, on a cap, fired on the decoy. Marion's horsemen charged forcing the Tories back. British Colonel Deborck watched the engagement and ordered Major Thomas Frazier to attack with his company of British Dragoons. Marion's detail seeing the





charge, turned and rode back towards Marion's position. Frasier charged right into the ambush. After firing several volleys and killing several to Frasier's men, Marion learned the British infantry were marching toward his position. Low on ammunition, Marion withdrew. Although a small engagement, it stopped the treat of marauding Tories in the area.

## Upcoming Chapter Lunch Program Speakers

August 15th – John Kenton Thompson "Ben and Deborah Franklin"-John and wife Mary present a program playing Benjamin Franklin and Martha Read, Ben's Common-Law wife.







September 19th - B. Ray Mize, "How To Write Your Family History."

October 17th – Jerry Fochman on Civil War Currency. Jerry Fochman returns after many years to discuss and show Confederate Currency. Jerry's hobby is collecting Civil War period Bills and Coins. Both of his sons entered and won the Texas Eagle Scout Scholarship Contests.

November 21th – Denise Bennett on "Women Suffrage". Denise recently presented "The Woman's Hour", dressed in period attire from the 1920"s and entered the room as if in a suffrage parade"... (Pictured right).

December 12th—Annual Nominations Meeting and Christmas Lunch.

