



**Pine Shavings
PineyWoods chapter 51
Texas Society
Sons of the American Revolution
January 2023 Issue 1**



The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR or NSSAR) is an American congressionally chartered organization, founded in 1889 and headquartered in Louisville, Kentucky.



The PineyWoods Chapter #51 was chartered on February 3, 1994, and is named for its geographic location in the state. We draw members from Houston (S) to Livingston (N) and from The Woodlands (W) to Liberty (E). PineyWoods meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month except June and July at Union Kitchen Kingwood Texas.



Timber Rattler (Page 13)

Benjamin Franklin

“Always Vigilant-No Eye Lids”

“Never Attack Unprovoked”



JANUARY SPEAKER - WELCOME



Perrye K. Turner Sr.

Harris County Deputy County Administrator for Justice & Safety

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From the President:

Members and Friends,

Although a little late, I wish everyone a Blessed and Happy New Year. May this 2023 be healthy, peaceful and prosperous. We have many customs and superstitions we practice for the New Year, and even during colonial times our ancestors had their own superstitions. The following are a few of the most interesting:

It was believed that if New Year's Day opened with red skies, that the following year would be one with much strife and debates between people, and that robberies would be quite common.

Another superstition involved the Bible. Before eating breakfast, people would take turns opening a Bible completely at random. Then a verse would be pointed to on the two open pages, again at random. The verse that was thus randomly chosen was believed to foreshadow the events of the following year for the participant.

During this time when houses were heated and lit by open fires, it was believed that if anyone took fire from your house, one of your family members would die before the year was finished.

It was considered bad luck for the first visitor of new year to be a woman. Bad luck was also feared if anything was thrown out of a house. In the day and age before modern plumbing, women would throw dirty water out the door, and ashes that accumulated in the fireplace needed to be removed. But because the removal of anything portended bad luck, families were very cautious about their actions on New Year's Day.

January is filled with many historical anniversaries including the birth of political and social reformer Lucretia Mott, the ratification of the Treaty of Paris and the births of Alexander Hamilton and Ben Franklin. One I wanted to focus on is the approval of an Act of Congress by President James Madison on January 30, 1815, which appropriated \$23,950 to purchase Thomas Jefferson's library of 6,487 volumes. After capturing Washington, D.C. in 1814, the British burned the U.S. Capitol, destroying the Library of Congress and its 3,000-volume collection. Thomas Jefferson, in retirement at Monticello, offered to sell his personal library to the Library Committee of Congress in order to rebuild the collection of the Congressional Library. Jefferson's library not only included more than twice the number of volumes as had been destroyed, it expanded the scope of the library beyond its previous topics—law, economics, and history—to include a wide variety of subjects in several languages. The collection was divided into the categories Memory, Reason, and Imagination—which today would translate to History, Philosophy and Fine Arts. That \$23,859 paid to Jefferson in 1815 would currently be the equivalent of a little more than \$463,000. That is a nice library collection.

Please consider stepping forward to a chapter officer position. None of them take a whole lot of time, and you learn so much about how the chapter, TXSSAR and SAR function. We have several openings and need to finalize a new officer slate this month. Separately in this *Pine Shavings* newsletter is a listing of the officer positions.

Our next meeting will be on January 21st, and our speaker will be retired Harris County Deputy County Administrator for Justice & Safety Perrye Turner who previously was the Special Agent in Charge of FBI Houston. He retired from the FBI in December 2021 after more than 30 years of loyal and dedicated service. In his current position, Mr. Turner has been called the county's criminal justice czar.

Mike Anderson—President



LUNCH PROGRAM

Chapter President Mike Anderson will introduce his friend and fellow retired FBI Agent Perrye Turner who will address our group on January 21, 2022. Please read the attached article on Agent Turner from Harris County.

Harris County is proud to welcome Perrye K. Turner, Sr. as its first Deputy County Administrator for Justice & Safety.

Perrye K. Turner brings more than 30 years of experience in law enforcement and security operations in the public, private, and education sectors. Most recently, he has led the Houston Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) as Special Agent in Charge since 2014, directing daily operations including all National Security, criminal investigative programs, operational, administrative, financial, and security functions.

Turner's exceptional experience and dedication to public safety have prepared him to drive Harris County's ongoing efforts to enhance public safety and reform the criminal justice system in support of the 4.7 million residents of Harris County.

Highlights from his 30-year tenure with the FBI include leading FBI Field Office management of security operations for Super Bowl LI, the MLB World Series, and Hurricane Harvey recovery and response, and serving as on-scene commander for the Santa Fe High School and Naval Air Station (Corpus Christi) active shooter investigations.

In 2015, Turner was a recipient of the Presidential Rank Award, one of the most prestigious honors in the federal career civil service, which is only given to the top one percent of Senior Executives by the President of the United States.



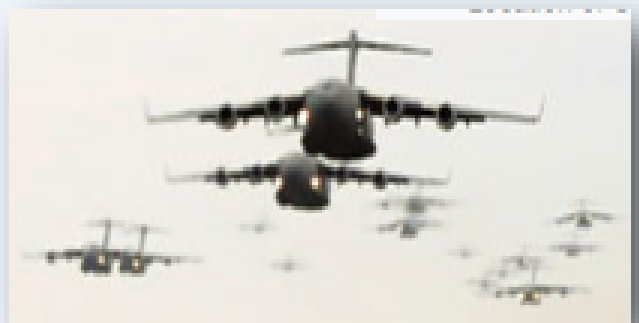
VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

CHAPTER COUPON PROJECT

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

**John Beard
3738 Palmetto Creek Dr
Kingwood, Texas 77339**

Or, bring the clipped out coupons to a meeting.



BOOK AND MAGAZINE DRIVE FOR VETS

January 21, 2023

Please bring gently used **BOOKS** and **MAGAZINES** to the PineyWoods 51 meeting.

Sharon Mize, DAR, is collecting to deliver to Veterans Hospitals

PineyWoods Chapter History—1994

Many Thanks to PineyWoods Member Norman Funder and Mayor of the City of Humble for presenting to me this document from the dedication of the PineyWoods Chapter 51, Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution. Norman attended this Chartering Event. At the time, Founder Thomas M. Green Decd., was working on Norman's SAR Application. However, his application had to wait a few years for the digitizing of records. Kermit Breed found the proofs so Norman could join the PineyWoods Chapter.

Larry G. Stevens
Founding Member

FOUNDING MEMBERS

Bernard S. Balsler
Thomas M. Green
Allan M. Henshaw
Donald W. Lemon
Larry G. Martin
Kim A. Morton
Rev. Steven L. Newman
Gary P. Smith
Larry G. Stevens

CHARTER MEMBERS

E. Conrad Carroll, Jr.
Charles S. Fox
John L. Meredith
Thomas G. Martin
Glen W. Withrow, Jr.

The PineyWoods Chapter #51

Texas Society

Sons of the American Revolution

Request the honor of your presence at its

Charter Institution and Officer Installation

*Kingwood College, Teaching Theater
20000 Kingwood Drive, Kingwood, Texas 77339*

Thursday, February 3, 1994

Ceremony at 7:30 P.M.

Reception at 8:15 P.M.

PineyWoods Chapter Officers

2021-2023

President—Michael Anderson

1st VP—Abe Abdmoulaie

2nd VP—Bernie Kent

Secretary—Jim Pinkerton

Treasurer - B Ray Mize

Chancellor - Allan Henshaw

Parliamentarian-Mark Anthony

Genealogist -Kermit Breed

Registrar - Larry Stevens

Registrar - Joe Potter

Historian - Kermit Breed

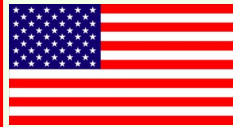
Chaplain -Alan Bowman

Sgt. at Arms—Merv Hartman

Newsletter Editor- Larry Stevens

Web Master - Ray Cox

Events Calendar



NSSAR

Spring Leadership/Trustee, March 2,
2023 to March 4, 2023
Louisville, Kentucky

133rd Annual SAR Congress Orlando, Florida

July 14-21, 2023



TXSSAR

TXSSAR Annual Convention March
30 to

April 2, 2023 - Spring, Texas

PINEYWOODS CHAPTER 51

Meetings at Union Kitchen

January 21, 2023

February 18, 2023

March 18, 2023





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2023 Issue 1 January Editor—Larry Stevens

PineyWoods Members, Ladies Auxiliary, and Friends,

Sharon Mize, with the DAR, has asked that we bring slightly used books and magazines to our next meeting. They will be taken to the VA Hospital for their Veteran Patience enjoyment. You will see a short notice on our Veterans Project section.

In the past, our chapter participated in donating T-Shirts, Socks, and other NEW clothing items still in the original packaging for our Veterans. These items are always needed. T-Shirts, Sweats, and items that have a branch of service are very popular.

If you go to the VA Hospital Houston webpage, you can find a list of things needed. Many are for activities such as decks of cards. The site has the following message, ***“Every donation, no matter how large or small, makes a difference in the lives of our Veterans. We could not provide many of the services for our Veterans if it were not for the generosity of people in the community, the Veteran's service organizations, fraternal organizations, and businesses. We appreciate all forms of generosity.”***

The Sons of the American Revolution has or had another program for veterans at the hospital called “Ancestor Search” where SAR Members volunteered at the VA Hospitals, especially at Ft. Sam Houston in San Antonio, helping patients discovery their ROOTS. This was a very popular program and very therapeutic.

Please check your book cases for books and magazines like National Geographic, Readers Digest, Sports, Novels and bring them to the meeting this Saturday.

Also, in this newsletter, I put together a short article on the Timber Rattler. Rattle Snakes are only native to America. When Benjamin Franklin suggested sending the snakes to England, I believe he was saying criminals were not native to America so we should return the favor and send something not native to England. What a sense of humor and wit Franklin possessed.

And, how significant is this symbol brought to us by Franklin? In 1775, the Gadsden “Don’t Tread On Me” was at the top of the mast of the First US Naval

Commander Esek Hopkins’ ship the Alfred as well as Alfred’s sister ships as the flag of the US Marines. The Gadsden Flag was the most prominent Flag of the Revolution until the Stars and Bars. The Seal of the US ARMY, June 14, 1775, has the Timber Rattle Snake as part of its symbol. (top). The 1780 Seal of the Board of War has the snake. On the Seal of the US Army is the Rattler-Vigilance! Larry Stevens



JOIN OR DIE



In May 1754, Benjamin Franklin created a cartoon and woodcutting, “Join, or Die”, to unite the American Colonies against the French and their Native American allies. Franklin was the owner and publisher of the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, and he printed the image of the snake in eight pieces, not thirteen. The head of Franklin’s Snake, labeled “N.E.,” were the four colonies of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island.

Franklin combined these to emphasize unity. The other parts were marked for New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, and North and South

Carolina. Interestingly, he left out Delaware which shared a governor with Pennsylvania, and Georgia, who he did not think could contribute much. The advantage of the cartoon is that Franklin felt literacy was not high in the colonies, but the populace, who could not read his editorial, could understand the severed snake.

Franklin published the article and image with a specific objective in mind. He was preparing to meet with other colonial leaders at the Albany Congress, in New York, to discuss plans on how to deal with the military threat from the French and their Indians. Franklin felt the colonies needed to join together in a firm alliance, proposing that a unified government could impose taxes, form a military, be governed by a council of representatives, from each colony and headed by a President General appointed by the Crown. (History Newsletter Digital Site)

In his impassioned editorial, Franklin warned of hordes of French intruders converging on the western frontier of Ohio, building forts creating a wall against British expansion into the Ohio Valley. ***“Many more French are expected from Canada. The Design being to establish themselves, settle their Indians, and build Forts on the Back of our settlements in all our Colonies; from which Forts, as they did from Crown-Point, they may send out their Parties to kill and scalp the Inhabitants, and ruin the Frontier Counties”***, wrote Franklin.

British Parliament never accepted this concept seeing a colonial centralized government as a threat to English authority.

Although meant for the French and Indian War, the flag became a symbol of protest for the American Colonist expressing their opposition to the Stamp Act of 1765, and the other taxes imposed on the colonies to pay for Crown Expenses incurred during the French and Indian War campaigns.



Fort Saint-Frederic 1734 Crown Point Lake Champlain New York

Why did Benjamin Franklin draw the Timber Rattle Snake, and why was the Timber Rattler used as a symbol from the French and Indian War through the Revolution?

In the “Journal of the American Revolution” article, Issue January 14, 2015, it is stated the first known usage of the “Rattle Snake” was on May 9, 1751, in an article published by Benjamin Franklin, entitled, “Rattle-Snake for Felons”. Franklin was addressing England shipping felons to the American colonies for a number of years. Georgia in particular bothered Franklin, where England was actively shipping criminals.

Franklin suggested we should “**pay them in kind with rattle snakes**”.

The image of a rattlesnake was used as a symbol of the American colonies from the beginning of the French and Indian War to the end of the War for Independence. It appeared in printed caricatures, newspapers, and paper money, in addition to other media including flags, buttons and even on a cemetery monument. The basis of this pervasive imagery can be traced back to a May 9, 1751, tract by Benjamin Franklin. Franklin wrote a satirical article entitled “Rattle-Snakes for Felons.”



For years England had been shipping convicted criminals to her American colonies, which she justified as a way to help them grow in population. Franklin wrote,

“such a tender parental concern in our Mother Country for the welfare of her children calls aloud for the highest returns of gratitude ... In some of the uninhabited parts of these provinces there are numbers of these venomous reptiles we call rattle-snakes: felons-convict from the beginning of the world. These, whenever we meet with them, we put to death, by virtue of an old law: Thou shalt bruise his head. But as this is a sanguinary law, and may seem too cruel; and as however mischievous those creatures are to us, they may possibly change their natures if they were to change the climate; I would humbly propose that this general sentence of death be changed for transportation”

Further, “In the spring of the year, when they first creep out of their holes, they are feeble, heavy, slow and easily taken; and if a small bounty were allowed per head, some thousands might be collected annually and transported to Britain. There I would propose to have them carefully distributed in St. James Park, in the Spring Gardens and other places of pleasure about London; in the gardens of all the nobility and gentry throughout the nation; but particularly in the gardens of the prime ministers, the lords of trade, and members of Parliament, for to them we are most particularly obliged.”

Franklin Closed this article, ***“Rattlesnakes seem the most suitable returns for the human serpents sent us by our Mother Country.”***

Walter Isaacson, *A Benjamin Franklin Reader* (New York: Simon and Schuster, 2003), 150-151.

The following letter from “*An American Guesser*” was published in the *Pennsylvania Journal* on December 27, 1775. Its author has been identified as Benjamin Franklin.

“I recollected that her eye excelled in brightness, that of any other animal, and that she has no eye-lids. She may therefore be esteemed an emblem of vigilance. She never begins an attack, nor, when engaged, ever surrenders: She is therefore an emblem of magnanimity and true courage. As if anxious to prevent all pretensions of quarreling with her, the weapons with which nature has furnished her, she conceals in the roof of her mouth, so that, to those who are unacquainted with her, she appears to be a most defenseless animal: and even when those weapons are shown and extended for her defense, they appear weak and contemptible; but their wounds however small are decisive and fatal. Conscious of this, she never wounds ‘till she has generously given notice, even to her enemy, and cautioned him against the danger of **treading on her.**”



The Christopher Gadsden Flag adopted 1775

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The American Revolution

January 13, 1776 – Reporting to First Lord of the Admiralty, John Montagu, 4th Earl of Sandwich, British Admiral Molyneux Shuldham (ca 1717-1798) reported to Sandwich that he would be “surprised to learn how fast the armed vessels of the rebels have multiplied lately, how many of storeships and victuallers they have taken, and how successfully they have defeated all our force.”

January 14, 1776 – Washington writes from Cambridge Mass to Joseph Reed that army enlistment problems continue, that they total about ten thousand five hundred (NPS paper), but that ‘a large portion of these are returned not joined, I never expect to receive them...’, further he discusses militia and dissolution of the “Old Army”, Washington writes that only a paid army..... (This letter is a must read).

January 16, 1776 – Boston Loyalist Peter Oliver reports that the old North Meeting House is pulled down for fuel for the loyalist Associators.

The meeting house had been abandoned by Reverend John Lathrop and his patriot congregation, most of whom had left Boston. In the same month, Oliver published an address urging Continental soldiers to stop, think, and abandon the Patriot cause. Two months later, he left Boston with the British as the evacuated Boston and eventually returned to England. In 1781, he published an irate account of the pre-revolutionary period titled, “Origin and Progress of the American Rebellion”.



Peter Oliver 1713-1791

Chief Justice of the Superior Court, Providence of Massachusetts Bay (highest court)

January 21, 1776 – Washington directs each regiment to send out two officers to purchase weapons for their unit. Soldiers enlisting with their own firearms are promised one dollars for its use and reimbursement if the weapon is lost during the campaign.

January 22, 1776 – The South Carolina Council of Safety resolves ‘that able bodied negro men be taken into public service, and enrolled and employed, without arms for the defense of the several batteries in Charles Town, Fort Johnson and other batteries, at the rate of two to each gun.....That they be in constant pay at the rate of ten shillings per day, and the public to find them provisions....suitable rewards shall be given to those slaves, who behave well in time of action.



John Montagu, 4th Earl of Sandwich (The Sandwich Man) 1718-1792

January 19, 1776 – Washington and other patriot generals agree that troops cannot be spared for service in Canada and that Boston must be attacked before Howe receives reinforcements.

January 20, 1776 – The Virginia Convention declares that the best method of opposing British oppression would be to open all ports to international trade from every country except England.



John Lathrop
1740– 1816
Minister Boston Second Church Boston

PINEYWOODS CHAPTER OFFICER NOMINATIONS

January 21, 2023

PineyWoods Members:

At the end of each year since 1994, the PineyWoods Chapter 51 members of good standing, meet and nominate chapter officers for the next terms of office. All Chapter Officer terms end this March 18, 2023. All positions are open for nominations and volunteers.

Our Constitution and Bylaws state that nominations for each office must be made and advertised for 30 days before an election can take place. So, nominations must take place at the January 2023 meeting.

Those officers currently serving, can volunteer to continue their position for the next term if they wish. Many of our officers agree to continue if there is no one interesting in the position.

Below I have copied two Articles from our PineyWoods Chapter 51 Constitution. Our Constitution and Bylaws can be found on our chapter website: *[PineyWoods Chapter 51 TXSSAR](#)*

If you have any questions about any of the positions, contact President Mike Anderson or any of our current officers and past chapter Presidents. wardtracker.aol.com

CONSTITUTION

PineyWoods Chapter, No. 51 Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution, as amended August 1998

ARTICLE VIII - OFFICERS

The officers of this Chapter shall be a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Chancellor or Parliamentarian, Genealogist, Historian, Chaplain, and Sergeant-at-Arms. The duties of officers of the Chapter shall be such as is usually incumbent upon such officers, but the Chapter may, in its By-Laws, increase or change their duties. The offices of Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Genealogist, Chancellor, and Parliamentarian, or any two of these, may be held by the same person. The Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Historian, and Chancellor may, with the consent of the Board of Directors, appoint an assistant, who must be a member of the Chapter and who may, with the consent of the presiding officer, in the absence of the Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Historian, or Chancellor (respectively), act for that Officer at meetings of the Chapter.

ARTICLE IX - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In addition to the officers provided for in Article VIII of this Constitution, all past Presidents of this Chapter as well as Assistant officers, in good standing in the National Society, Texas Society, and this Chapter, shall compose the Chapter's Board of Directors, of which the President of the Chapter (or a Vice President, in order of seniority, if the President is absent or unable to serve) shall be the presiding officer, provided that if a past President is also a current officer, he shall have only one vote. The Board of Directors shall have general supervision and control of the business and activities of the Chapter, subject only to the action of the Chapter at a regular or special meeting.

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ARTICLE X – ELECTIONS

Officers of this Chapter shall be elected by a majority vote of the members present and voting, provided not less than 6 members, or 30 percent of the entire membership, whichever is less, are present and provided fur-

ther, that all members have been notified of the election date and place not less than ten days before. *Officers to be elected shall be members in good standing of the National Society and Texas Society and of this Chapter, and when they, for any reason, cease to be members in good standing of these, or any of them, their offices shall thereby become vacant.* Vacancies in office shall be filled by appointment by the Board of Directors until the next election and the successors of those appointed have been inducted into office.



CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP PineyWoods Chapter Membership: a/o 6 Nov 2022

Regular— 82

New - 7

Dual— 4

Youth—4

Reinstated 11

Total 108

**Welcome new members to the PineyWoods Chapter.
We would like to meet you and see you attending our meetings in 2023.**

We continue to get inquiries for Membership. . These are referred to our Registrar (s) - Larry Stevens, Kermit Breed, Joe Potter. If other members would like to help by becoming a Registrar, please let me know. Larry Stevens, our Registrar would be glad to help you get started.

Helping someone PROVE their PATRIOT Ancestor can be challenging but fun researching. It does include needing subscriptions or access to on-line genealogical search sites like Ancestry.com.

And, it requires so of your time. If you are a ancestor researcher, this should not be problem.

This past year, 2022, we had several inquires. These were referred to Larry Stevens or Kermit Breed. Sometimes prospective members do not follow-up once they learn the documentation requirements or the cost of joining.

First, membership in the Sons of the American Revolution is by invitation only, and each appicate must certify they are a Male and a Citizen of Good Standing. There must be acceptable proof of service. And, each generation back to the Patriot requires primary proofs for the blood line.

Records that are acceptable for service and generations proofs are listed on our Public website under “Interesting in joining?”

If you have questions about what proofs are acceptable, contact Larry or Kermit.

President Mike Anderson

Pledge to the United State of America

I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



Texas Pledge

Honor the Texas flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.



AGENDA— January 21, 2023 — 11:00 AM

INVOCATION

PLEDGES; USA & Texas Flag and SAR Pledge

OFFICERS 2021-2023

President Mike Anderson

Introductions

1st Vice President—Abe Abdmoulaie

2nd VP --- Bernie Kent

Secretary—Jim Pinkerton

Treasurer — B. Ray Mize

Genealogist — Kermit Breed

Chaplain—Alan Bowman

Chancellor—Allan Henshaw

Parliamentarian—Mark Anthony

Registrars—Larry Stevens, Joe Potter

Historian—Kermit Breed

Sgt. At Arms—Randy Hall

Newsletter Report—Larry Stevens

Webmasters Report -- Ray Cox

NEW BUSINESS

BENEDICTION

SAR CLOSING—Abe Abdmoulaie

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.”

Piney Woods Chapter #51 Business Meeting

December 10, 2022

1706 Chestnut Grove Lane, Kingwood TX

Meeting Minutes December 10, 2022

Attendance: 23.

Members – 13. Abe Abdmoulaie, Mike Anderson, Ben Baskin, Kermit Breed, Ray Cox, Lawrence Ski Grumboski, B. Ray Mize, Jim Pinkerton, Joe Potter, Cannon Pritchard, Keith Schoonover, Roland Skelton, Larry Stevens. Non-Members – 10. Kelly Abdmoulaie, Dan and Samantha Ballard, Susan Grumboski, Sharon Mize, Sarah Potter, Cindy David, John Schmonsees, Jenelle Schoonover, Barbara Stevens.

President Mike Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. Ray Cox gave the Invocation. Abe Abdmoulaie led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the pledge to the Texas Flag. This was followed by the SAR Pledge.

President Anderson introduced Jason Watt, KHS Chair Director who talked about the Kingwood Madrigals and how much the students loved coming to present their Holiday Songs to an attentive group. He said a lot of their presentations are more “background” at area events. But here, the singers can



see their audience and their acceptance of their performance. Jason thanked the chapter for their generous donation to help fund the Madrigals.

Abdmoulaie gave a report of “Fallen Heroes” and how much that organization appreciates our continued support. This is a great tribute to our young men who lost their lives in the service to our Nation. He also mentioned upcoming events.

John Schmonsees talked about the upcoming RevEdu1776 scheduled Humble Museum’s program on February 4th, 2023 and how much the area SAR units participated. He said our support is needed again. He also said there is another event at Jesse Jones Park on February 11th, 2023, 10 am to 4 pm, where there will be a Revolutionary War Battle reenactment involving American Militia and Continentals, Spanish, French and Cajun Against the British with cannon and musket firing. Lots of help in uniform is needed.

Larry Stevens added comments about the events and also the chapters participation with RevEdu1776 in the City of Humble Christmas Parade. Ray Cox led members of the newly formed RevEdu1776 Drum and Fife Corps.

President Anderson said there were really only two business items to discuss today, he said the first was the approval of the donation.



The motion was unanimously approved by the members present. The second item for discussion was the nomination of chapter officers for the next terms beginning in March 2023. Due to time constraints, he asked those present if this could be taken up in the January meeting. All agreed. He said members need to be thinking about volunteering for offices now, and those interested now should contact him or Secretary Pinkerton, or any current officer. He said some members have volunteered to serve multiple years and will probably continue to do so unless someone would like to do that job. He said most jobs really do not take much personally time to perform.

President Anderson asked Ray Cox to lead the Benediction, he led the SAR Closing, the Meeting was adjourned at 1:35 pm. Secretary Jim Pinkerton



Kingwood High School Madrigal Choir



B Ray and Sharon Mize



Patriotic Dining Room



Ben Baskin, Susan and Ski Grumboski, Jenelle and Keith Schoonover, Ray Cox, Sharon Mize, Roland Skelton, Cindy Black Background B. Ray Mize, Cannon Pritchard, Kermit Breed, Mike Anderson

FEBRUARY 4, 2023 Humble Museum Revolutionary Experience

10 am-4pm

Enjoy a FUN and EDUCATIONAL family event!

WATCH the 20-minute play "A Message for General Washington" in Bender Auditorium

ATTEMPT to win a fun miniature tabletop wargame

TOUR the First-Class Humble Museum and learn about our community's interesting and unique history

BUILD crafts at our Revolutionary activity stations



TASTE food at an 18th century outdoor kitchen,

MEET Heroes of the American Revolution at an American Revolutionary War military encampment

HEAR our fife and drum corps

HOLD your ears as troops demonstrate 18th century musket fire!

Event Details

Humble Museum in Downtown Humble, TX

February 11, 2023 TEXAS in the Revolution and The Siege of Pensacola

10 am—2 pm

Jesse Jones Park Homestead 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, TX 77338

BECOME an American Spy and complete an exciting mission in our original interactive experience "The Spy, The Spaniard and The Skirmish at Jones Farm."

EXPERIENCE a full-scale reenacted Revolutionary War battle at 1pm at the Homestead

MEET 18th century artisans, such as blacksmiths, rope makers, native traders, woodworkers

EXPLORE Army camps and meet the heroes from American, Spanish and British armies from the American Revolution!

HEAR folk and military music from regional artists and groups on our outdoor stage!

TASTE food at an 18th century outdoor kitchen, including tea from the Boston Tea Party!



**We're Coming to Texas
this February
And we're bringing the
First Oval Office Pro-
ject with us!**

The Museum of Fine
Arts, Houston
Feb. 18–19

Location
[Bayou Bend Collection and
Gardens](#) 6003 Memorial Dr.

George Washington's Tent Visits Bayou Bend

Join us in Houston, Texas, on Feb. 18–19 at The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston's Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens, where we will set up our First Oval Office Project. Immerse yourself in history within a recreation of General George Washington's wartime headquarters, including full-scale replicas of his sleeping marquee and baggage tent. Navigate the encampment, examine handmade replicas, and meet costumed living history interpreters to learn more about the community of people who travelled with Washington during the Revolutionary War.

"The First Oval Office" is the tent Washington used as his mobile headquarters during the Revolutionary War. The hand-stitched replica transforms Bayou Bend's Diana Lawn into an encampment with special displays and living-history interpreters in authentic costumes.

In the gardens, families are invited to enjoy a variety of activities, such as a scavenger hunt; an artist who makes commemorative silhouettes; storytelling; music by the Texas Army Fife & Drum Corps; poetry readings; and art projects for constructing peace medals and military drums.

Tickets available soon! (Check Houston Fine Arts Website)

\$10 for adults

Free for ages 18 & younger*

**limit of four free child tickets per adult ticket*