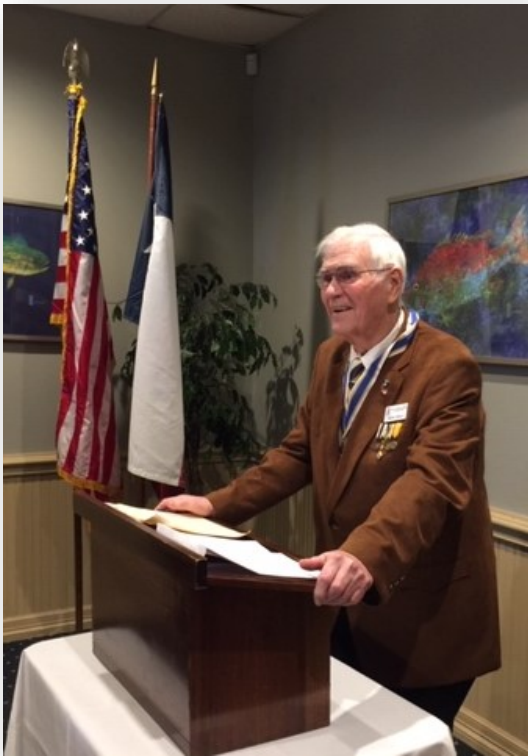




Pine Shavings

**Piney Woods Chapter #51
Texas Society of Sons of the American Revolution**



Philadelphia's Washington Square

From the President

The 125th Texas Society Annual Convention is CANCELLED

A meeting was held Monday evening by the TXSSAR President Drake Peddie and the Executive Committee and after much discussion, the committee voted to cancel the convention scheduled at the Westin in the Woodlands July 30 to August 2, 2020. With the spike in the Virus throughout Texas, they did not believe it safe to hold a meeting for 3 days in the hotel with committee meetings, the general sessions, and the dinners.

Our first ever ZOOM meeting set up by our Web Master Ray Cox went real well. Not the same as face-to-face but we did get to conduct some business.

**ZOOM
NEXT Meeting
July 18th, 2020
12:30 pm
Notice will be e-mailed**

Our speaker Saturday is Jerry Breed, a member of Piedmont Chapter Roswell, Georgia. Jerry's program is the "Battle of Alamance North Carolina" 16 May 1771. Jerry was instrumental in me joining the SAR. As some of you know my first chapter was Piedmont. Jerry and I collaborated on a page for my web site about the Battle of Alamance go to: <https://www.breedfamilypride.com/battle-of-alamance.html>.

I called Jimmy "G" last week and they are not allowed to host a group meeting. They are like most of us waiting to see what the "powers that be" come up with. At this time, August is still in question. If we can't have a live meeting August 15 at 12:30 we will have a Zoom meeting. John Kenton Thompson said he and Mary

could do their presentation on Benjamin and Martha Franklin either live or Zoom.

I am deeply saddened by the recent events around our country. I see nothing in Thomas Jefferson's statement that gives anyone the right to destroy property and history.

“We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.” Thomas Jefferson.

The National Park Service is working to remove this graffiti on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of the American Revolution (at Washington Square)

Georgia monument of Revolutionary War hero defaced with googly eyes.

Chicago police investigate vandalism at George Washington memorial, Christopher Columbus statue.

These events remind me of ISIL destroying the mosques and shrines in Iraq

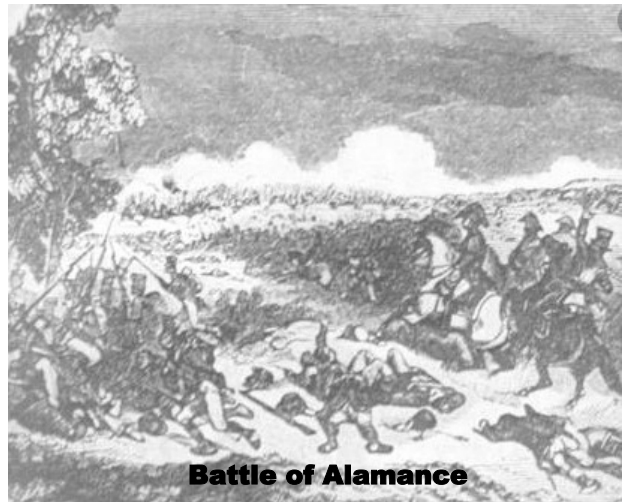
“Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it” George Santayana

HUD Secretary Ben Carson urged Americans to stop being offended “by everything” and to “grow up.”

President Kermit Breed

“The Battle of Alamance” by Gerald Breed

Our program for this Saturday, July 18, 2020 PineyWoods Chapter ZOOM Meeting will be presented by Gerald Breed, ‘The Battle of Alamance’, which took place on May 16, 1771 just about 3 miles South of the town of Alamance, North Carolina. This was the final battle in a series of fights between North Carolinians. Called the War of Regulation. On one side were the Regulators who had been protesting in many western counties over what they viewed were corrupt and unfair practices of the Colonial Government. The other side was Provincial Governor William Tyron who had called up state militia authorized the January 1771 Riot Act to stop the rioting.



Battle of Alamance

BIO

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 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, he 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.

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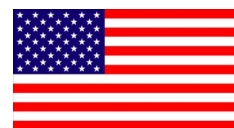
As President Breed announced in his message, the Texas 125th Convention tragically had to be cancelled. Especially since it was being hosted by our own PineyWoods Chapter and our neighboring Freedom Chapter. We were all looking forward to helping everyone have a great time.

HOWEVER; all is not lost! *Our leaders are in the process of scheduling a two day ZOOM Texas Convention on August 7 and 8, 2020. I will be talking about this in the ZOOM Meeting this Saturday at 12:30 pm*

Look for the ZOOM Notification this week to our ZOOM Chapter Meeting.

Calendar of Events

National Events



NSSAR

Louisville Leadership/Trustee—
September 25-26, 2020

South Central District—August 28-
29, 2020—Richardson, Texas

State Events

TXSSAR 125th
Anniversary
Convention July



30-August 2 2020—Westin at The
Woodlands

Chapter Events

Chapter Meetings-Jimmy G's

June 20, 2020—No Meeting

August 15, 2020—Jimmy G's

September 19, 2020

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The Revolutionary War

17 Jun 1778 War officially begins between England and France. Vice Admiral Augustus Keppel fires his cannon on two French Frigates off “The Lizard” or Lizard Point at Cornwall on the southern coast of England. Admiral Keppel had sailed on June 13, 1778, with 21 ships of the line, headed towards Brest to keep an eye on the French fleet. On the 17th of June, the 26-gun French Frigate, Belle Poule, that was on a reconnaissance along with the 26-gun corvette Licorne and the cutter Le Courier,



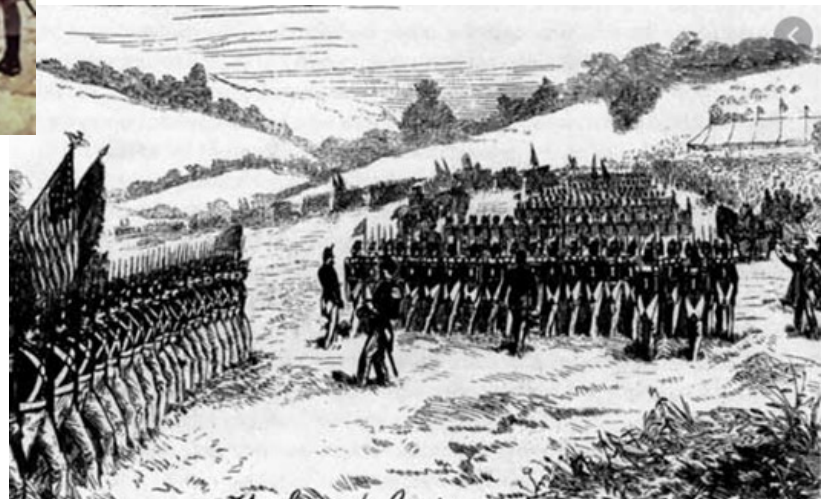
Pictured is the painting “Combat de las Belle Poule et de L’Aerthusa”, by Auguste-Louis de Rossel de Cergy.

Battling through the night until under the cliffs of the French coast, the Poule managed to find enough sail to escape into a small cove. The crippled Aerthusa, who lost 44 killed and wounded, managed to rig sail enough to head back to England. The French casualties were 97 killed and wounded.



19 June 1778 - General George Washington marches out of Valley Forge and discovers the British have abandoned Philadelphia after learning to the French entering the War. General Howe is marching to New York. When win-

ter ended, training under the direction of Friedrich Wilhelm van Steuban in maneuvers and weapons was over, so his army was better disciplined, General Washington marched his Army in pursuit of general Howe. The first battle would be a Monmouth on June 28, 1778, a battle where the metal of this new army was tested.



encountered the large British fleet. Keppel ordered the French ships be followed. The HMS Milford, a 26-gun frigate, and the HMS America with 64-guns caught up with the Licorne, and after discussing affairs, the Licorne attempted to escape after dark. But she was soon overtaken and after a brief fight, surrendered to the much larger America. The Belle Poule was pursued by the HMS Arethusa and cutter HMS Alert. With the Poule was the French cutter Le Courier. When ordered to sail back to the British fleet, the Captain of the Poule refused and a shot was fired across the Poule’s bow. The Captain turned the Poule and fired a full broadside into the Aerthusa ripping sail and taking down the main mast.

PineyWoods Chapter 51 ZOOM MEETING

12:30—1:30, May 16, 2020

President Kermit Breed opened the meeting at 12:30 PM. The invocation was followed by the pledge to the United States & Texas flags, and the SAR pledge. Kermit Breed was pleased to welcome everyone, including our guests – Mel Oller, VP District 8, Texas SAR, and Jim Kuykendall-TXSSAR Pres. Elect.

President Breed thanked Ray Cox for setting the ZOOM Meeting up.

Compatriots Present:

Kermit Breed, Joe Potter, Bernie Kent, Randy Hall, Abe [Abdmoulaie](#), B. Ray Mize, Robert Mc Cain, Larry Stevens, John Schmonsees, John Beard, Alan Bowman, Jim Kuykendall, John Thompson, Mel Oller.

Guests Present:

Sharon Mize, John Schmonsees

Secretary's Report: [A motion to accept Minutes](#) (published in our last newsletter) from the recent February 2020 meeting [was proposed, seconded, and voted in favor of acceptance.](#)

Treasurer's Report: Sharon Mize assisted B. Ray Mize with the Treasurer's Report. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was proposed, seconded, and voted in favor of acceptance.

Registrar's Report:

Larry Stevens

New PineyWoods Chapter 51 Members

On May 15, 2020, the New Application for Dr. Philmore Joseph was registered as approved. His NSSAR Number is 215298. Dr. Joseph's Ancestor was Captain Alexander McAlpine who served in South Carolina on Scout Duty and furnished supplies.

On May 15, 2020, the New Application for Roland Skelton Jr. was posted as Genealogy Approved so it should be registered next week. Roland's Ancestor was John Skelton who was a Soldier in an Independent South Carolina Company as listed in his Pay Records.

Kermit Breed

New PineyWoods Chapter 51 Members

On 13 March 2020, the New Applications for Patrick Pourreau 214951, Christian C. Pourreau 214951 and Marcus Pourreau 214953 were approved. Their ancestor was Samuel Carter Sr. Born Hebron, Tolland, CT. Surveyor of Highway, Lister; Member Committee of Safety, Took Oath of Allegiance; Selectman.

Working on two applications one for Steven Aaron McCauley ancestor Isaac Hill and one for Donald Richard Taylor III, ancestor George Ward.

Supplemental Applications

Michael Anderson is completing his Supplemental on his Patriot Ancestor Wyndle Bright who had service in NJ and VA. Kermit is in the process of reviewing it with him.

Members Report - Chapter Membership as of April 7, 2020.



The Pledge to the Texas Flag

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

We have 81 Regular Members, 5 Dual w/Other Primary State, 4 Junior Members. Reported are 3 Non-paid Juniors, 17 Non-paid Regular Memberships, and 1 Non-paid Dual (Who has attempted to pay his).

Historian Report – by Abe Abdmoulaie

Scrap book update (“These are the times that try men’s souls” -Thomas Paine)

Working on Scrap Book this summer, any information or pictures you want included please send via email (scrap book parties postponed for now)

Page with Members Ancestor included in book (will send out template over summer to capture important info/pictures)

PowerPoint- Digital Book through office depot (price est. TBD)

SAR Educational project- RevEd update

New nonprofit organization founded by Johnny [Schmonsees](#) 2020 (5 minute slide presentation)

Purpose: inspire and educate youth about American Revolution History and founding principles- Liberty, Equality, Civil Rights, Responsible citizenship

Supporting local schools & programs around American Revolution Education

Short presentation about Revolutionary Education, an education enrichment organization that provides a living history program for students, using performances and innovative, interactive activities meant to inspire interest in the American Revolution.

Fallen Heroes Charity Golf Tournament

Date moved to July 25th due to Covid-19 at Kingwood Country Club, open to public.

Guest Speaker: Will Chesney, Navy Seal Team 6, Osama Bin Laden Raid, wrote book about Dog “No Ordinary Dog”, fun activities planned for Adults, kids, and families

Honor the lives of Military Heroes lost in combat from Kingwood-local areas and supporting charities i.e. Blue/Gold Star Moms, Hope for the Warriors, Military Operation Embrace

Guest Speaker Presentation:

None

Coupon Report – in John Worm’s absence presented by Kermit

The first four months of this year, January - April 2020, coupons with a total value of \$59,000 have been mailed to commissaries for our servicemen/women and their families. We are in the process of changing those being sent to Germany to a larger community around Ramstein AFB.

Please send your coupons to me ASAP so they will not have expired. Thank you for your supports of our troops.

John Worm

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Newsletter:

An electronic copy of our last PineyWoods “Pine Shavings” newsletter was emailed to members earlier this week, several days before this 16 May 2020 remote meeting.

PineyWoods Chapter 51, Texas SAR officers for 2020-2021.

President Kermit Breed , 1st VP Buddy Inman, 2VP Jim Pinkerton, Secretary Bernie Kent, Treasurer B. Ray Mize, Chaplain Alan Bowman, Chancellor Brent Monteleone, Parliamentarian David Cook, Historian Abe Abdmoulaie, Genealogist Kim Morton, Registrars Joe Potter and Larry Stevens, Sgt.-At- Arms Ben Baskin, Newsletter Larry Stevens, Webmaster Ray Cox.

Old Business, New Business & Announcements:

Abe Abdmoulaie and John Schmonsees reiterated the importance of American History education to the young people (grade-school students) in our community. John talked about the Patriots Day school program for our local schools.

John Thompson previewed his program on Ben Franklin scheduled for our Sat. 15 Aug 2020 meeting at Jimmy G's Seafood restaurant.

Larry Stevens & John Beard reminded us that 125th Annual Texas Society SAR Conference in the Woodlands, TX has been re-scheduled for 31 July - 2 August 2020. Registration: https://www.txssar.org/reg_mar20.htm
The SAR special room rate negotiated at the Westin Woodlands hotel is \$149.00. As a co-host SAR Chapter for this Texas State Conference, PineyWoods is still seeking volunteers to assist – please contact Kermit Breed and Larry Stevens if you can assist.

SAR Pledge

Benediction by Alan Bowman was followed by the SAR closing.

President Kermit Breed adjourned the meeting at 1:15 PM.

SAR PineyWoods Chapter 51 Secretary — **Bernie Kent**

“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.”



Ray Cox—Fife
San Antonio

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.”

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.