



Pine Shavings



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

From the President

PineyWoods Members and Friends,

You should have received notification of the cancellation of our meeting, tomorrow, March 21st. Our next meeting after is April 18th and we most likely will be cancelling it. Then, there is May 16th Chapter Meeting. Some organizations have cancelled and re-scheduled their May meetings. At this time, I we will wait and see. WE WILL NOT MEET if it puts any of us in jeopardy due to the Virus.

RESCHEDULED -The Texas Society SAR has cancelled the March 26-29, 2020 125th Annual Convention. Team Members John Beard, Janisue Rigel, and Larry Stevens successfully, without any cancellation penalties, had this event rescheduled for July 30-August 2, 2020. At this time, there are no announced changes in Programs. The Freedom Chapter and Our PineyWoods Chapter are still the Hosts so we are just rescheduling our plans. We will need volunteers just as before to help with registrations, programs, and just



helping our out of town guests.

As our Nation continues this journey of uncertainty, we must have patience and listen to our President. He has declared War on Coronavirus, he understands the seriousness, he wants us all to come out of this the best we can. *“When one side of a story is only heard, and often repeated, the human mind becomes impressed with it insensibility”*,

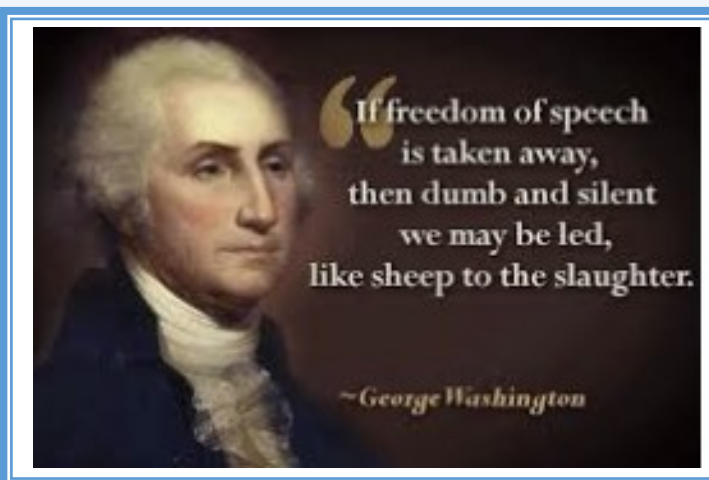
George Washington.

Stay home, stay safe, God Bless,

Kermit Breed

**PineyWoods Chapter 51 Meeting
March 21, 2020**

CANCELLED





Ladies Auxiliary



The Ladies Auxiliary organization meets during the state Fall BOM and Spring Annual Convention. The purpose is to support the men's society. Over the years, the ladies have had projects raising funds for the youth contests. There is no current fundraising project. The Ladies have meetings, a hospitality room, and an outing during these SAR events.

All ladies whether members of the Ladies Auxiliary, or not, are encouraged to participate.

The Texas Society SAR has greatly benefited from the Ladies fund raising programs allowing Texas SAR to increase the value of our scholarships.

Membership is \$5 a year or a lifetime membership of \$100. The Ladies Auxiliary or LATXSSAR has a Website where one can see information about the organization. <https://www.txssar.org/LA/index.htm>

The Membership Form may be found at the following

<https://www.txssar.org/LA/pdf/MembAppForm2019.pdf>

I would encourage all PineyWoods Ladies to join.

Whether you are a member of the Ladies Auxiliary or not PineyWoods can use your help with the Hospitality Room at the Convention. Please see page 9 for details.

Larry G. Stevens-Editor

Upcoming Chapter Lunch Program Speakers

April 18th - B. Ray Mize - "How to write your personal history."

May 16th – John Keaton Thompson "Ben and Debra Franklin"—John and wife Mary present a program playing Benjamin Franklin and Martha Read, Ben's Common-Law wife.

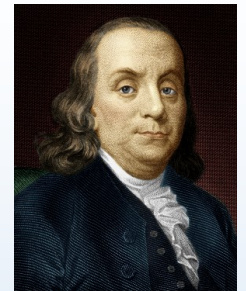


September 19th – Business Meeting "What Is My job" - Kermit Breed will lead the discussion on Officer Duties.

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.



PineyWoods Chapter Officers

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PineyWoods Chapter Newsletter Editor

The 16th Century Church wrote and performed rituals including a litany of the saints with petitions. “From plague, famine, and war, Lord, deliver us,” they prayed and repeated, “That you deliver us from the scourge of pestilence, we beg you to hear us.”

Today, a Virus called COVID-19 is circling just like the 14th, 15th, and 16th Centuries, from Asia to the Western World.

Listening to the News, Freedom of Speech is certainly prevalent, and allowed as one of our Constitutional Rights, but seems more to attack than to help inform us of the things we must do.

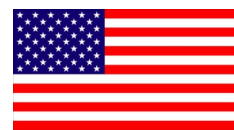
Lord, deliver us!

Larry G. Stevens—Editor



Calendar of Events

National Events



NSSAR Congress—July 10-16, 2020 Richmond, Virginia—Hotel Info Posted!

State Events



TXSSAR 125th Anniversary Convention July 30-August 2 2020—Westin at The Woodlands

Chapter Events

Chapter Meetings—Jimmy G’s April 18, 2020—Uncertain

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.

EVENT REGISTRATION and HOTEL RESERVATION LINKs will be RE-posted FOR THE 125th TEXAS CONVENTION in THE WOODLANDS. The link for making a reservation at the Westin at the Woodlands is being changed and will be ready soon on the Texas Website along with the telephone number. Registration for the Convention is \$50. Registering allows you to be a voting delegate in the general business sessions.

NEW DATES— July 30 to August 2, 2020

PineyWoods Chapter Meeting Minutes February 15, 2020

15 Feb 2020 - Meeting at Jimmy G's - Greenspoint, 307 N. Sam Houston Pkwy. Houston, TX

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 special guest – David L. Temple, President, Texas SAR and wife, Nancy Temple.

Barbara Stevens presented a Welcome Table Bouquet of flowers to Nancy Temple, the wife of our special guest, David J. Temple.

Compatriots Present:

Kermit Breed, Joe Potter, Kim Morton, Bernie Kent, Dick Setser, John Worm, Ben Baskin, Randy Hall, Buddy Inman, Joe Potter, B. Ray Mize, Larry Stevens, John Beard, Alan Bowman, Jim Kuykendall, Jim Pinkerton, Alan Henshaw (SAR Carrington Chapter), David Cook, Mel Oller (SAR Freedom Chapter)

Guests Present:

Ann Kent, Barbara Stevens, Sandra Breed, Carolyn Bowman, Mary-Claire Beard, Sherry Setser, Judy Worm, Nancy Temple, Sharon Mize, Emily Phillips, Katheryn Phillips, Jeff Phillips, Daniel Phillips, Janisue Rigel, Davena Lipman

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

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

Registrar's Report:

Kermit Breed and Larry Stevens confirmed (3) new applications for Patrick, Marcus & Christian Purreau, the three sons of Daniel Purreau (+ 1 for Daniel) have been submitted to SAR/Louisville. An application for Roland Skelton is in the mail to Louisville.

Guest Speaker Presentation #1:

Larry Stevens and Kermit Breed introduced our SAR Texas PineyWoods Chapter, sponsored high school Oratory Contestant, Ms. Emily Phillips and her family attending this meeting. Emily presented her 5 minute American History Speech that she will use competing in the Texas SAR Oratory Contest at the Woodlands Westin Hotel on Saturday, 28 March 2020. Kermit Breed presented Emily with a check for \$200 and an SAR Oratory Competition Certificate of Appreciation. We wish Emily Phillips success in her forthcoming competition.

John Beard introduced our SAR Texas President, David J. Temple who shared some little known history associated with 3 of the most prominent Generals involved the American Revolutionary War – American General & 1st President of the USA, George Washington; British General, Charles “The Earl” Cornwallis; and French Marshall General, Jean-Batiste Donatien Rochambeau. All three of these Generals engaged in leading their respective Armies in the American Revolutionary War. Cornwallis was perhaps the most renowned British hero of the era leading the most powerful Army (Great Britain) in the world when he was defeated at the Battle of Yorktown by the collaborative forces of Gen. George Washington and French Gen. Rochambeau commanding French forces in Revolutionary America. All three of these Noblemen and Generals ultimately retired quietly to their respective countries in the early 1800's.

AWARDS/Recognition:

John Worm was presented with an SAR Meritorious Service Award Medal and Certificate recognizing his long-standing efforts to collect household grocery coupons that continue to be sent to our overseas military

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personnel saving them money as they buy household goods at their military retail exchanges.

Randy Hall was honored by recognizing his US Airforce services overseas serving 5½ years (Desert Storm & Desert Shield) wartime duty in Iraq and Kuwait, as well as many other countries around the globe throughout his 20+ year military career. He received the SAR War Service Medal & Certificate, and he shared some of his experiences including finding his current wife in the military.

Our guests, Janisue Rigel (Founding President – NSDOAF) and Davena Liepman (Founding Registrar – NSDOAF) honored John Beard presenting him with the National SAR President’s Award for his work in establishing the National Society Descendants of American Farmers (NSDOAF) <https://www.nsdoaf.com/> . Started during 2019, their organization now has > 1000+ members.

Newsletter:

PineyWoods Chapter now has 79 members. An electronic copy of our last PineyWoods “Pine Shavings” newsletter was emailed to members on Saturday, 8 February 2020.

Installation of Chapter Officers:

Texas President David Temple inducted our chapter officer for 2020-2021.

Old Business, New Business & Announcements:

Jim Pinkerton announced upcoming high school ROTC events for area schools and asked for volunteers who can represent Texas SAR PineyWoods Chapter at their banquets in February and March. Please contact Jim Pinkerton for more details upon volunteering.

Larry Stevens reminded us that 125th Annual Texas Society SAR Conference in the Woodlands, TX is scheduled for 26-29 March 2020, and is in progress. 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.

Benediction by Alan Bowman was followed by the SAR closing.

President Kermit Breed adjourned the meeting at 2:40 PM.

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

PineyWoods Chapter 51 Officers 2020-2021 (2nd Year)

President—Kermit Breed	Sergeant-at-Arms—Ben Baskin	1st Vice President — Buddy Inman
Chaplain—Allen Bowman	Secretary—Bernie Kent	2nd Vice President—Jim Pinkerton
Treasurer — B. Ray Mize	Historian—Abe Abdmoulaie	Parliamentarian—David Cook
Registrars—Larry Stevens & Joe Potter	Genealogist—Kim Morton	Webmaster—Ray Cox
	Chancellor-Brent Montaleone	Newsletter—Larry Stevens

Youth Programs

February 15th Chapter Meeting

Youth Programs

A special treat was provided at the February meeting by our Chapter Oration contestant Ms. Emily Phillips presented speech. She began,

“12 score and four years ago, our fathers brought forth upon this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal, that all people have a right to freedom, that liberty is and eternally remain the birthright of its sons and daughters.”

Our meeting was in the main restaurant, both noisy and distracting, but Emily rose above the clatter, although crashing pans, dishes, and shouting, did startle her a couple of times. The Sophomore kept her poise, and delivered her talk timely.

At the conclusion for her talk, President Breed and 2nd VP Jim Pinkerton presented her with the Chapter Oration Contest Medal and a 1st Place check for \$200. Our SE Texas District 6 Oration Contest Chairman and Freedom Chapter President Mel Oller, invited Emily to come to their next Chapter meeting and give her talk. Emily will be competing in the Texas Society 125th Convention Oration Contest on March 28th, at the Westin in The Woodlands.



Barbara Stevens PineyWoods chapter Ladies Auxiliary member welcomed Nancy Temple wife of President David Temple with David and Mary-Claire Beard watching. Barbara and Mary-Claire are working on the ladies' events at the 125th Anniversary Convention. See the FLYER on the Texas Website under Events for details on the ladies activities!

The NSSAR MILITARY SERVICE MEDAL was presented to Randy Hall. Randy served our country in the United States Air Force in Areas deemed in “harm's way”. Randy had a career in the USAF and served as an Instructor in the Aldine HS JROTC before finally retiring again. Randy loves his Genealogy; Proud of his Ancestors.

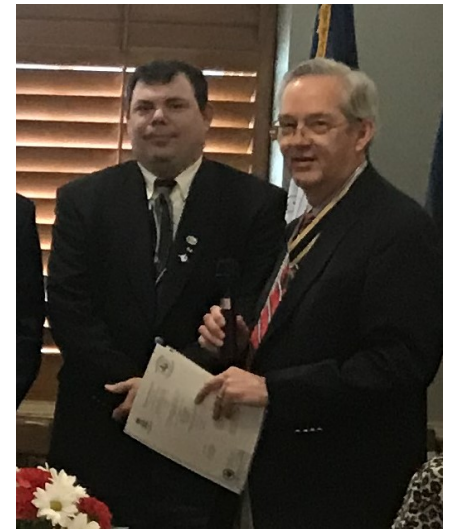




Chapter President Kermit Breed and TXSSAR President David Temple



Chapter President Kermit Breed



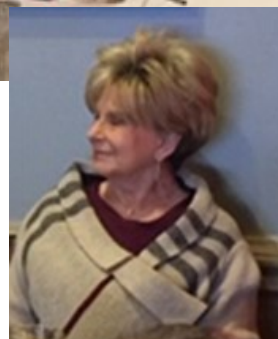
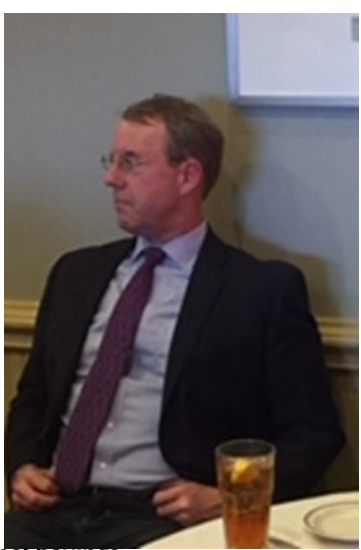
1st VP Buddy Inman, Registrar Joe Potter, Registrar Larry Stevens, Chaplain Alan Bowman, Sergeant-at-Arms Ben Baskin, TXSSAR President David Temple



2nd VP Jim Pinkerton, Webmaster Ray Cox, Genealogist Kim Morton, President Kermit Breed, Treasurer B. Ray Mize, Parliamentarian David Cook. In front Bernie Kent



**Members
and
Guests
WE Had
A good
Time!**



PineyWoods Chapter 51

John Worm is presented the highest chapter award the Meritorious Service Medal and Certificate by Present Breed.



In 2019 John's project sent \$151,000 in manufacturers discount coupons to Anderson AFB and an Army post in Germany to help our military and civilians with expenses.



Description: The medal is the same medal used for the National Meritorious Service Medal. Summary: The Chapter Meritorious Service Medal may be awarded to SAR members who have rendered long, faithful and meritorious service to their chapter. The meritorious service rendered should be stated in the citation. SAR Handbook.

Past Chapter President and Texas State President/Trustee, John Beard receives very special recognition for his work in establishing a new Lineage Organization: the NSDOAF or National Society Descendants Of American Farmers 1775-1900. Our own Lady and **National President of the NSDOAF Janisue Rigel**. John is presented a new Service Medal for serving the organization at the highest level. Congratulations John.



NEW CHAPTER OFFICERS 2020-2021—Jerrel Inman, Joe Potter, Larry Stevens, Alan Bowman, Jim Pinkerton, Ray Cox, Bernie Kent, Kim Morton Kermit Breed, B Ray Mize, David Cook, Ben Baskin and Texas SAR President David Temple Not Pic. Abe Abdmoulaie

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*The Revolution
is Coming ...*



... Join Us

Help to complete the
SAR Education Center and Museum
by 2026 – the 250th Anniversary of
American Independence.

Please make a monthly gift
to support the
SAR Education Center and Museum
Liberty Tree Campaign.

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NSSAR Historian General William Stone gave a report on the progress on the Museum.

It seems NSSAR has completed a review of the 4,000 artifacts contained in the present SAR Collect to ascertain just which one will be useful in telling the story of the American Revolution in our new Museum. Sadly, the bulk of the collection consisted of out of period artifacts/items, replica items, and other materials not appropriate for the collection. NSSAR was left with a starting base of around 200-250 items, some of which are invaluable to the telling of the story of the American Revolution. Several avenues are being promoted to supplement the collection. One is the sustained giving described in this brochure. Another is the sponsorship of individual items by individuals, chapters, and state societies. More information about these giving opportunities will be available shortly.

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The SAR Education Center and
Museum Liberty Tree Campaign will
allow us to not only build the
galleries and exhibits it will endow the
SAR Education Center and Museum
for years to come.

YES! I would like a pledge to support the
SAR Education Center and Museum for the
next 5 years with a gift each month:

Bronze – Please charge my card
\$25 per month or \$_____ per month
until my gift reaches \$1,250.

Silver – Please charge my card
\$50 per month or \$_____ per month
until my gift reaches \$2,500.

Gold – Please charge my card
\$500 per month or \$_____ per month
until my gift reaches \$25,000.

Visa Mastercard Discover Amex

Card Number _____

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City _____ State _____

Zip _____ National No. _____

Signature _____

I/We would prefer to remain anonymous

I/We have included the SAR or the
SAR Foundation in our estate plans.

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The SAR Foundation strives to keep costs as low as possible however some of your
gift may be used to cover necessary administrative and processing costs.
Please see our Annual Report for further detail. 2019SYBNT2

PineyWoods Members and Ladies

Your help is needed with the Hospitality Room at the upcoming State Convention July 30th-August 2th in The Woodlands. We need assistance in the following areas:

- ◆ Greeting visitors in the hospitality room on Friday and Saturday.
- ◆ Providing baked goods (cookies, brownies, and the like) or salty treats (chips, popcorn, nuts, etc.)
- ◆ Providing soft drinks

If you are able to help in these areas, please contact Mary-Claire Beard at mcbeard52@gmail.com.



**125th Anniversary Texas
Medal Set
Available at Convention**

Louisville Kentucky Leadership/Trustees Meeting February 26-29, 2020

Many Texans arrived at the Brown Hotel on Wednesday, Barbara and I arrived Thursday. There were not many regular meetings on Thursday; so many get together and walk to nearby restaurants. You see groups from the same state gather to discuss SAR business or just catch up with old friends. Barbara and I joined Russ and Laura DeVenney from Columbia, Missouri and three couples from other states for dinner. Russ, a past NSSAR Registrar General, is a dual members with PineyWoods, while Laura is a member of the Kingwood DRT chapter. We first met the DeVenneys at an SAR Congress years ago.

SAR Committee Meetings began February 28th at 8:00 AM and ended at 5:00 PM. Texas attendance was a little low. Attending were our Trustee Thomas Jackson, Past National Society President Generals and Texas SAR Presidents Tom Lawrence and his wife Mickey Jo and Nathan White, Past President General Ed Butler and his wife Robin, Texas President David Temple, McKinney Texas Chapter President David Kinsey, from the Independence chapter in College Station, Past Texas President Bob Cohan. Texas Eagle Scout Committee Chairman Art Munford, Past State President Larry Stevens and Barbara. Mickey Jo, Robin, and Barbara attending the First Ladies Luncheon on Saturday and the National Society Ladies Auxiliary meeting.

Updates: The NSSAR Newsletter Committee has not finishing judging state and chapter newsletters but will within a month. Committee Chairman Steve Williams reported he was waiting for two judges to submit their reviews. The Education sub-committee chair Wayne Snodgrass reported 26 states had members using “Traveling Trunks” for presentations in schools and to adults. The Trunk is a box or case full of revolution period clothing, pots, utensils, tools, paper documents and money, and foods, spices, sugar, and tea for discussing colonial life. A new presenter in a state can be reimbursed up \$375 if beginning a new “trunk”. Compatriots participating in Color Guard activities at Leadership qualify for credit in earning the Bronze, Silver, and Gold von Stueben Medals. I have the Gold medal for many years of participating in National Color Guard events. Ninety-three-year young Robert “Bob” Sapp, a friend from the Georgia Society, was voted Color Guardsman of the year and will be presented the Gold Guardsman of the year Medal.

Saturday morning began with a donor breakfast recognizing George Washington Fellows. Donations to the GW Fund of \$1,000+ qualify one for membership. These funds are used to supplement youth award programs. First time donors are recognized at the breakfast receiving a Certificate and a George Washington Pin. McKinney Chapter President David Kinsey joined a large number of Texans who are George Washington “Fellows.” Many spouses from Texas are also members of the GW Fellows



Merlots Restaurant—TX Pres David Temple, TX Trustee Tom Jackson, and McKinney Chapter Pres David Kinsey lifting a glass



Russ De Venney and Tom Jackson

The Trustees meeting was on Saturday February 29th, LEAP DAY, and started at 9:30 with opening comments by President General John “Jack” Manning of New Hampshire and Massachusetts, plus a Texas member. It is customary to present gifts during the Trustees meetings. During this meeting many donations were presented by representatives of different state societies and individuals. These donations were mostly to the construction fund for the SAR Education Center and Museum. Four Revolutionary War Artifacts were given to the Museum Collection by members. These items were examined earlier by our Museum Curator and determined to be authentic.

Two important motions were made for the Trustee body to consider. The first was the approval to begin Stage 3 of the Museum Construction by our contractor Solid Light. Stage 3 requires spending \$390,000. Past SAR PG Joe Dooley of Virginia and Texas said that amount was short by \$1600. Former SAR Chaplain General Lou Carlson of California donated the \$1600 so the project could continue. The Trustees approved the expenditure.

The second business motion out of committee is to increase SAR National Application Fees Charge per application by 25 percent. A recommended Fee Increase Chart showing the changes was projected on a screen. The motion recommended the Fee for a Regular Member Application be increased from \$80 to \$100. The same percent of increase was on the chart for all applications. The reason for the increase is due to the cost of processing applications by the Genealogist in Louisville is now to \$107 average for each application. This recommendation was approved by the Trustees, District VPGs, and the ten Past PG’s present. The motion to increase fees will be presented to the delegates at the NSSAR Congress this July in Richmond, Virginia. If passed the effect date of these changes will be established.



There are two dinners at the Leadership/ Trustees Meetings, and they generally include guest speakers. Friday evening the speaker was Dr. David Armitage of Harvard. He was the scholar sponsored by SAR to spend a year researching the private papers of George III at Windsor Castle. He spoke on all of the misinformation describing King George III. After combing through the personal letters of King George II archived at King College, in the UK, he discovered how literate and well-educated George was contrary to his “Mad King George” persona. He said he was the most educated monarch ever, with perhaps Prince Charles the only to approach his vast education on so many subjects.

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