



Pine Shavings



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



**PineyWoods Chapter 51 Meeting
May 16, 2020**

ZOOM! 12:30 PM

From the President

I hope everyone is doing well and still virus free.

For May instead of gathering at Jimmy "G" and chancing exposure to the virus we are trying something new. Our webmaster Ray Cox has consented to conduct a Zoom Meeting. **You will be receiving instructions soon on how to join. The meeting will be the 16th of May at 12:30. We will start getting things set up at 12 noon.**

If this works well, we could have a Zoom business meeting in July before the TXSSAR 125th Anniversary Convention July 30-August 2 2020... We do not normally meet in June and July.

I check my Facebook account daily and enjoy keeping up with what family and friends are doing. I have been a fan of The

Breed's Hill Institute site for a long time. (I wonder why?)

Recently I came across The Sons of the American Revolution site. There are a lot of people on this site that are looking for help joining the SAR. I have answered a few of their question's and directed most to contact National. I have helped some find a local chapter to join because National is closed.

I am in the process of filling out an application for Mr. Taylor of Cypress who I met on The Sons of the American Revolution site. His application is almost ready. He has ordered documents for generation three

(Grandparents). His ancestor is GEORGE WARD Ancestor #: A120518 Service: VIRGINIA Rank: PRIVATE Birth: (CIRCA) 1759 VIRGINIA Death: 2- -1791 RANDOLPH CO VIRGINIA Service Source: *W6550 Service Description: 1) CAPTS SYLVESTER WARD, ABRAHAM HITE, 2) 8TH & 12TH REGTS.

Hope to see all of you on Zoom. PineyWoods Members and Friends, stay home, stay safe, and

God Bless.

Kermit Breed



"I predict future happiness for Americans if they can prevent the government from wasting the labors of the people, under the pretense of taking care of them."

Thomas Jefferson

PineyWoods Chapter 51 TXSSAR ZOOM Meeting Agenda

12:30 pm—May 16, 2020

WELCOME- Ray Cox

INVOCATION Allen Bowman Of 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

CALL FOR REPORTS BY PRESIDENT BREED

President

1st VP—Buddy Inman

2nd VP—Jim Pinkerton

Secretary Report—Bernie Kent

Treasurer Report—B, Ray Mize

Registrars Reports—L. STEVENS, Joe Potter, K. Breed

Chaplains Report

Chancellor Report

Historians Report

Webmasters Report

VETERANS-Coupon Project-John Worm

OLD BUSINESS—John Beard 125th Convention Committee

NEW BUSINESS

AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAR CLOSING

BENEDICTION-Allen Bowman or Jim Pinkerton

TEXAS PLEDGE

“Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge Allegiance to thee, one state under God, one and indivisible.”



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.”

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PineyWoods Chapter Newsletter Editor

George M. Cohen,
3 Jul 1872– 5 Nov 1942

*“You’re a grand old flag,
You’re a high flying flag
And forever in peace may you
wave.*

*You’re the emblem of
The land I love.*

The home of the free and the brave.

Ev’ry heart beats true,

‘neath the Red, White, and Blue

Where there’s never a boast or brag,

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,

Keep your eye on the grand old flag.

Larry G. Stevens—Editor

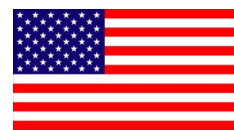


“Over There” and “Give My Regards To Broadway” and “He’s A Yankee Doodle Boy,”; I can still picture James Cagney strutting and belting out, YOU’RE A GRAND OLD FLAG!

Exciting Theater Musicals reminding us we are Americans.

Calendar of Events

National Events



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

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

May 16, 2020—ZOOM

August 15, 2020—Jimmy G’s

September 19, 2020

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 Have been RE-posted FOR THE 125th TEXAS CONVENTION in THE WOODLANDS. The link for making a reservation at the Westin at the Woodlands has been changed and is 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. If you have previously registered and you plan to attend, please contact Freedom Chapter to let them know you will be there.! SUPPORT OUR TEXAS STRONG SAR AND ATTEND! **NEW DATES— July 30 to August 2, 2020**

This Day In The Revolution

May 1, 1775 – **New York's Committee of One Hundred**, once the Committee of 50, and then the Committee of 60, was formed on May 1, 1775, to be more representative of New Yorkers. Although still Loyal to the Crown, they wrote to **Governor Cadwallader Colden** in early May 1775, “that though they were arming with the greatest diligence and industry, it is not with design to oppose, but to strengthen government in due exercise of constitutional authority.” Further, in May, they asked all inhabitants to sign an **Association**. All who refused were called “enemies of this country”. Loyalists were disarmed, and some tarred and feathered. The Committee of 100 was replaced just 22 days later, on May 23, 1775, by the New York Provincial Congress, however, they did continue to meet.



CADWALLADER GOLDEN.



May 13, 1775 – The British Ship HMS Falcon

captured two Continental Ships owned by Jesse Barlow and Simeon Wing, just off of Martha's Vineyard in Massachusetts. The two ships were out of Sandwich, Massachusetts. The very next day, the Battle off Fairhaven, the first naval battle of the Revolution, took place in Buzzards Bay off Fairhaven, formerly Dartmouth, which resulted in the Americans recapturing the two vessels captured by the HMS Falcon on May 13th. The Americans took 13 Royal Navy crewmen prisoners; the first naval prisoners of war.



May 11, 1775 – The Patriots seized the Royal Gunpowder Magazine in Savannah Georgia. The “Liberty Boys”, seized more than 600 pounds of much needed powder. In July 1775, the King's ships were boarded and another 12,700 pounds was seized.

May 24, 1775—**John Hancock** is elected President of the Continental Congress replacing **Payton Randolph**. Peyton Randolph, 10 September 1721 to 22 October 1775, was a planter and served in Colonial Virginia offices including Speaker of the House of Burgesses and President of the Virginia Convention. He was the first President of the Continental Congress.



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.

Larry G. Stevens-Editor

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.

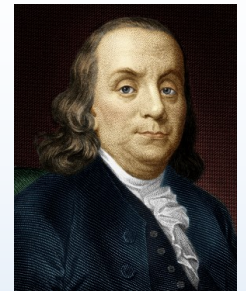
Providing baked goods (cookies, brownies, and the like) or salty treats (chips, popcorn, nuts, etc.)

Providing soft drinks

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

Upcoming Chapter Lunch Program Speakers

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



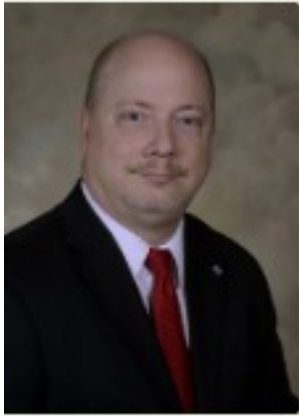
September 19th – B. Ray Mize, “How To Write Your Family History.”

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.



Mike Scroggins, Director of Operations, NSSAR Headquarters, sent the following invitation to our members to explore our NSSAR Website—just type “NSSAR” into internet; establish a LOGIN account.

**130TH ANNUAL CONGRESS
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA
JULY 9–JULY 15, 2020**

SAR Members;

During the time of “Shelter at Home” orders across the states, may we suggest you take this opportunity to refresh your understanding and knowledge of the various policies and education opportunities on our SAR website.

Genealogist/Registrar training: <https://www.sar.org/genealogy-resources/>

Genealogy Policies: <https://www.sar.org/nssar-genealogy-policies-materials/>

Did you know the SAR Research Library is adding eBooks to the online catalog? <https://www.sar.org/sar-library-catalog/>

Our Librarian, Joe Hardesty has also put together various video presentations: <https://www.sar.org/video-tutorials/>

Outreach Education has a plethora of programs ready for use in home schooling or classroom. <https://www.sar.org/lesson-plans/>

There are some presentations ready via videos: <https://www.sar.org/sar-educator-videos-2/>

Once you are logged into the site there are several items of interest on the Member’s menu. Everything from the “Committees” to “State Weblinks” and everything in-between. Take this time to explore and get to know where these various items are. Show them off to potential members or family and friends. All of us on the staff hope you stay safe and sound during this trying time.

Michael T. Scroggins—Director of Operations

**Richmond Marriot Downtown 500 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA
Phone Registration: 804-643-3400
Group Name: NSSAR 2020 Congress
Arrival Date 11 Jul 2020 (Saturday) Departure Date 16 Jul 2020 (Thursday)**

Note: There are sightseeing tours on Saturday, July 11th and generally a reception on Friday Evening July 10th at this Congress.

Congress Registration – The NSSAR Congress is still planned to be held in Richmond, Virginia in July. We are monitoring the situation with the Coronavirus. Currently the plan is to hold the congress in Richmond.

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Congress registration is not open currently. It will be posted around mid-May. Please check the NSSAR Website about the to begin the registration process. If you register for this even and it is cancelled, you will receive a refund.

(NSSAR Website Under Events)

NOTE: The first hotel was sold out; so, if you plan to attend, you need to read the following:

If you have a problem with your reservation, please let me know so I can work with the hotel to fix the problem. The best way is to send me an e-mail with the dates that you want, type of room, and your full name. Then I can contact the hotel so they can work on your reservation. My e-mail is LTCMRSC@aol.com and my phone number is 906-273-2424. Paul Callanan.

At this point in time, the hotel will only take reservations from the National Congress Planner Paul Callanan. You will be put on a waiting list.

If anyone needs to cancel their reservations, please contact me FIRST. Paul



Drake M. Peddie Meet the New Texas State President

Welcome to the Texas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution webpages. We sincerely appreciate you seeking us out to see what we are all about. We are a patriotic lineage society whose members can trace their ancestors back to those brave men and women who fought for and supported America's Independence in the Revolutionary War. Our ancestors lived during extraordinary times and in their lifetimes, did some extraordinary things. The deeds that they did and the sacrifices that they made, gave America its independence and our families the lives that we now experience.

Today, we also live in extraordinary times – times like we have never seen in our lifetimes with new challenges every day. I am so proud of our mem-

bers for their many accomplishments and successes over the past year and before. Our society actively supports and recognizes our veterans and our public service members, provides scholastic contests and scholarship awards for our youth, recognizes young leaders in JROTC/ROTC, Eagle Scouts and 4H, and provides color guards for many patriotic and community activities. As you can see, we are an active and diverse society – the biggest in the country and always looking for new members.



For any questions that you may have, please contact the Chapter President or Registrar of the chapter closest to you. Thank you again for visiting our website!

Drake Peddie, President
Texas SAR

TEXAS SOCIETY

What's Going On In Texas. The TEXAS BOM appointed new officers, based on Past President Tom Jackson list of nominations for State Officers for 2020-2021. **New Texas President is Drake Peddie.**

Because the March 125th Annual Convention was CANCELLED, our new officers will be inducted at the July 29 to August 2, 2020 rescheduled 125th Texas Convention

Our Texas Society Oration Contest was conducted utilizing ZOOM technology. The judges will be announcing first second , third, etc., soon. Texas First Place Contestant will be able to compete at the 130th Annual NSSAR Congress in Richmond, Virginia on July 12, 2020.

Our Youth Awards Luncheon will be on August 1, 2020. All of the Orations Contestants and all of the 1st Place Youth Contests Award Winners, Eagle Scout, Essay, CAR Essay, JROTC, and 4 H are invited to attend and present their winning essays and speeches and be presented their Scholarships.

The Hotel Reservations link has been posted on the TXSSAR Website by Ray Cox. The **Event Registration** is being edited for the new dates of the event, deadline for registering, and cancellation date policy.

Texas Color Guard Black Powder Safety meeting will be on Thursday afternoon, July 29th. The Color Guard is holding a “raising” of the SAR Flag with the hotel staff in front of the Hotel around 5:00 pm. The Color Guard Commander Ted Wilson and our State President would like everyone to attend, in uniform if you have one. You can carry your musket or rifle; but no black powder. There will not be a Black Powder “Salute”. This is a short ceremony with pictures. This will be a National Color Guard event for any of you trying to earn National Color Guards points for the NSSAR Color Guard Medals. There is a Color Guard Manual on the Texas Website and the NSSAR Website. This year, Texas will have three National events. The Annual George Washington Parade in Laredo this past February, our 125th TXSSAR Annual Convention, and the South Central district meeting on August 28-29, 2020 in Richardson Texas.



**Matagorda-Patriots Grave Texas President
Larry Stevens and Jim Mitchell**

APPLICATIONS! What is happening with New and Supplemental Applications. First, the SAR Office in Louisville was closed because of Virus guidelines for businesses in Kentucky. Applications are not being processed and the Genealogy Staff and the National Registrar have asked states to hold applications until the ALL CLEAR is sounded and we go back to work. This does not mean we stop processing NEW and Supplemental SAR Applications.

We can still forward completed Applications by the chapters to our Texas Registrars. They can review them and get them ready to send to Louisville. This will help avoid a backlog in Texas.

Larry Stevens