



Pine Shavings PineyWoods chapter 51 Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution



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.



Proclamation-May 24, 1955
Prayer for Peace, Memorial Day, 1955

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

*WHERE AS Memorial Day each year serves as a solemn reminder of the scourge of war and its bitter aftermath of sorrow; and
WHEREAS this day has traditionally been devoted to paying homage to loved ones who lie in hallowed graves throughout the land, having sacrificed their lives that war might end; and*

WHEREAS in tribute to these silent dead it is fitting that we lift up our voices together in supplication to Almighty God for wisdom in our search for an enduring peace; and

WHEREAS the Congress, in a joint session approved May 11, 1950, provided that Memorial Day should be set aside as a day of prayer for permanent peace, and requested the President to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States of America to observe each Memorial Day in the manner:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Memorial Day, Monday, the thirtieth of May, 1955, as a day of Nation-wide prayer for permanent peace, and I designate the hour beginning in each locality at eleven o'clock in the morning as a period in which the people of this Nation may unite in beseeching God to guide the nations of the world into the ways of peace.

IN WITNES WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America affixed.
DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER



Paul Revere

One If By Land,
Two If By Sea

Come and listen as John Kenton Thompson recounts the story of the somewhat fabled but the miraculous Mid-night Ride. April 18th, 1775. The night has just past and the American Revolution is on.

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From the President:



I have done a couple of JROTC Medal presentations over the last month and have one more to do on May 13th. I wish everyone would do one of these award presentations to see the pride, commitment, and discipline of the youth. At the Klein Collins Awards Ceremony, the retired Air Force Major instructor asked the class seniors to repeat the Air Force core values which they very enthusiastically exclaimed. He told the cadets those core values would serve them well in life whether they went on to military service or private industry. The instructor also presented each senior with an Air Force challenge coin inscribed on one side with the core values and told them to carry the coin in their pocket as a reminder. I left so impressed with the school's program and remembering the core values... Integrity, Service Before Self, and Excellence In All We Do.

Thank you for the great turnout for last month's speaker Vernon Beck. I think pretty much every seat in the room was occupied. Vernon has a unique story he likes to share as a cautionary tale for others. If you are a member of other groups, you think might like to hear him speak, I know Vernon would be interested in speaking. I am always suspect of people who find a religious awakening while in prison, and most of the time their faith is ephemeral; however, Vernon is different in that his faith is now central to who he is. Vernon has lived it for many years.



May 29th marks the 257th anniversary of Patrick Henry's "If this be treason make the most of it" speech to the Virginia House of Burgesses. Henry is better known for his "Give me liberty or give me death" speech approximately 10 years later. In 1765 Virginians were trying to decide what to do about the controversial Stamp Act. Henry was ready to take charge, proposed a set of Resolutions, and argued for their approval by the Virginia House. Henry's speech was nothing if not brazen. He compared King George III to Julius Caesar. Henry began thunderously: "Caesar had his Brutus; Charles the First his Cromwell; and George the Third" At this point, Henry was

interrupted by cries of "Treason! Treason!" But Henry persevered in the face of these cries. "George the Third," he said, "may profit by their example. If this be treason, make the most of it!" Some reports suggest that Henry may then have apologized for the implication of his remark and may even have declared loyalty to the King. Thomas Jefferson would later recall that Henry had barely avoided the charge of treason. The Burgesses approved all five of the resolutions Henry had written. Yet, some of the older members of the House were so outraged that they recruited missing members of the House overnight. They got the fifth resolution rescinded the next day because they redeemed it too controversial. It called for the general assembly of the colony have the sole responsibility of levying taxes on the inhabitants of the colony. Our country's history is replete with brave patriots who expressed what were thought at the time to be radical ideas.

Let us remember our war dead on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th. As President James Garfield stated, "For love of country they accepted death, and thus resolved all doubts, and made immortal their patriotism and their virtue." May they Rest in Peace.

We will be having our last meeting of the 2021-2022 year on Saturday, May 21st at The Union Kitchen on Highway 59. Compatriot John Kenton Thompson is giving a great presentation on Paul Revere. I look forward to seeing you there.

Michael Anderson-President



GENERAL DWIGHT D EISENHOWER
ALLIED COMMANDER WWII EUROPEAN THEATER

The PineyWoods Chapter #51 Texas Society SAR

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.

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

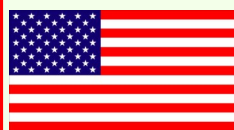
Sgt. at Arms—Randy Hall

Newsletter Editor- Larry Stevens

Web Master - Ray Cox

Events Calendar

NSSAR



SAR 132 Congress Savannah, GA—
July 9-15, 2022

SCD Annual Meeting– Bentonville
August 26-27, 2022

TXSSAR



2023 Annual TXSSAR Convention
Spring. Texas TBA



PINEYWOODS CHAPTER 51

Meetings at Union Kitchen

May 21, 2022

August 20, 2022



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I was very honored to have been present the DAR 250th Anniversary Medal. I will wear it proudly. The Sons of the American Revolution has a 250th Anniversary Medal, pictured to the right. There is a form on the NSSAR 250th Website for reporting members activities. A number of chapter members have earned points toward this award, which includes, all of you who volunteered helping with the Education/Historical Program at the Humble Museum on January 22th. I would like to leave you with a thought for this month and Memorial Day.
 Larry

*“We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America. “ **Preamble to the Constitution, Ratified June 21, 1788.***



[250TH ANNIVERSARY MEDAL BRONZE](#)

DAR RECOGNITION

Saturday May 7th, Larry Stevens and John Schmonsees were presented the NSDAR 250th Anniversary Medal and Certificate for presenting Educational and History Programs at area schools for many years, helping preserve the History of our Ancestors who created the Republic of the United States by DAR James Tull Regent Camilla Jane Thomas.

Associate PineyWoods Member and the Founder of RevEdu1776 John Schmonesse and Larry Stevens NSSAR Education Committee Past Chair and a member of RevEdu1776 and Adviser, have created a Colonial Street with a tavern as the stage for bringing history to life. Actors Discuss Dunlap’s Declaration Broadside and possible repercussions.

The Daughters and the Sons share common goals in the preservation of our American History. Joining together in this cause is a commitment made between the organizations.



NADAR 250TH MEDAL



Jane Thomas, James Tull Chapter NSDAR, presenting award to Larry Stevens (above) and John Schmonsees (right).



NEW MEMBERS 2021

Welcome new members.

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, please let me know.

Helping someone PROVE their PATRIOT Ancestor can be challenging but fun researching.

President Mike Anderson



NEW APPLICATIONS: New Members 2022

Hartwick, Mervyn Lester	SAR # 221542	Anc. HART, Gilbert	NY	SARAH LINSLEY
King, Darren William	SAR # 221548	Anc. KING, JAMES	DE	NANCY FARQUHAR
King, Evan Darren	SAR# 221550	Anc. KING, JAMES	DE	NANCY FARQUHAR
King, Ryan Elliot	SAR# 221549	Anc. KING, JAMES	DE	NANCY FARQUHAR

SUPPLEMENT S APPLICATIONS APPROVED 2022

Bowman, William Alan	180088	Patriot Nathan Kelly	Private	PA wife Hannah Miller
Pinkerton, James Phillips	191618	Patriot Harris Sr., John		
Pinkerton, James Phillips	191618	Patriot McCurdy, John		

PineyWoods Chapter Membership: a/o 18 Apr 2022

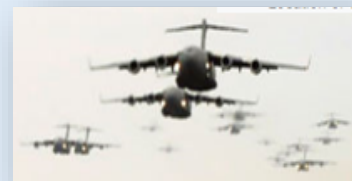
Regular— 83 New - 3 Dual— 4 Youth—4 Reinstated 9 Total 103

VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

Please clip your coupons into individual coupons if you are able.

CHAPTER PROJECTS

Chapter Coupon Project



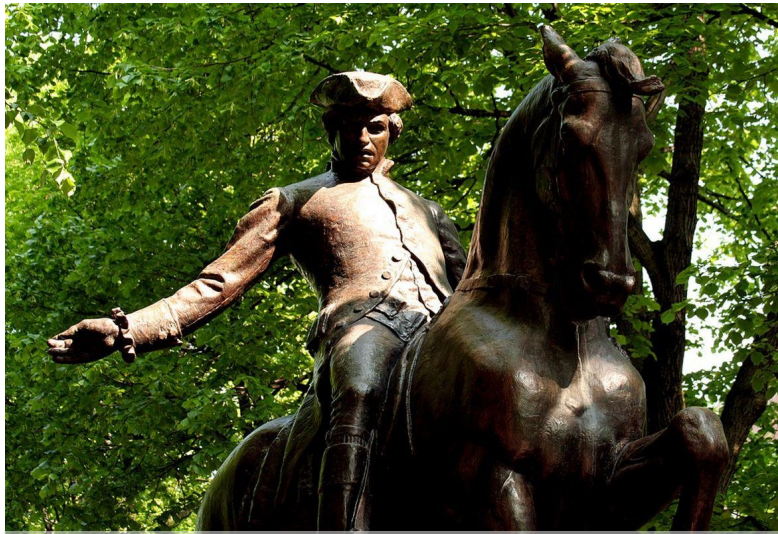
Coupons for Overseas Military Families program. All that is required is for you to CLIP the manufacturer's coupons that appear in the newspapers, and mail them to:

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

PAUL REVERE

1735-1818

Paul Revere was elected as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in December 1794; a position he served in, through the feast day of John the Evangelist on December 27, 1797. He would start a tradition of wearing a tricorne hat as Grand Master. In the position, he also laid the cornerstone of the Statehouse in Boston. Remember that the Masonic Lodge was not in the Revolution, but members of it from both sides were. Following is his abbreviated life story:



Paul Revere, patriot; born in Boston, Mass., Jan. 1, 1735. Was descended from the Huguenots, and was educated in his father's trade of goldsmith. In the French and Indian War he was at Fort Edward, on the upper Hudson, as a lieutenant of artillery, and on his return he established himself as a goldsmith, and, without instruction, became a copper-plate engraver. He was one of four engravers in America when the Revolutionary War broke out. He had engraved, in 1766, a print emblematic of the repeal of the Stamp Act, and in 1767 another called "The Seventeen Rescindors." He published a print of the Boston massacre, in 1770, and from that time became one of the most active opponents of the acts of Parliament. Revere engraved the plates, made the press, and printed the bills of credit, or paper money, of Massachusetts, issued in 1775; he also engraved the plates for the "Continental money." He was sent by the Sons of Liberty, of Boston, to confer with their brethren in New York and Philadelphia. Early in 1775 the Provincial Congress sent him to Philadelphia to learn the art of making powder, and on his return he set up a mill. The president of the Congress (Joseph Warren) chose Revere as one of his trusted messengers to warn the people of Lexington and Concord of the expedition sent thither by Gage (April 18, 1775), and to tell Adams and Hancock of their danger. He was made a prisoner while on his way from Lexington towards Concord, but was soon released. Longfellow made Revere's midnight ride the subject of his well-known poem. He served in the military corps for the defense of his State, and after the war he cast church bells and cannon; and he founded the copper-works at Canton, Mass., afterwards carried on by the Revere Copper Company. He was the first in the United States to smelt copper ore and roll it into sheets. In 1795 Revere, as grand master of the masonic order, laid the corner-stone of the Statehouse in Boston. He died in Boston, Mass., May 10, 1818.



Compatriot John K. Thompson, past chapter President and District 8 VP brings his story of Paul Revere. One of the riders spreading the word the REDCOATS ARE COMIN' on April 18th, 1775.

Harper's Encyclopaedia of United States History from 458 A.D. to 1905, Volume 7, by Benson John Lossing.

Photo: Paul Revere, by Gilbert Stuart, 1813. From the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

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#OTD #AmericanHistory #liberty #250America

Jesse Jones
Park—Harris County
May 14, 2022



Larry Stevens
John Schmonsees
Buffalo Soldier

RevEdu1776 and Texas SAR joined by a descendant of the US Army Buffalo Soldiers and the James Tull Chapter NSDAR. RevEdu1776 Actors presented play on the Declaration of Independence while John Schmonsees and Larry Stevens discuss life during the American Revolutionary War, 250 years ago. Like many others that day, the Buffalo Soldier wanted to know about the artifacts on Larry's table and how they relate to our history.



James Tull Regent Jane Thomas and
Member Mrs. Taylor



RevEdu1776 Actors



PineShavings



YOUTH PROGRAMS and RECOGNITION



PineyWoods presented the Bronze ROTC medal and certificate to various high school JROTC programs this month, Pictured: Past President Kermit Breed at Atascosita , President Michael Anderson at Klein Forest, VPG Larry Stevens at Porter High School , and President Michael Anderson at Splendor High School



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—May 21st, 2022 — 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

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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

Union Kitchen Restaurant

April 16, 2022

President Michael Anderson called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. President Anderson led the members and guest in the U.S. and Texas pledges. This was followed by the invocation and the SAR pledge.

Attendance: Compatriots present (19) Abe Abdmoulaie, Michael Anderson, John Beard, Lee Bennett, Kermit Breed, Ray Cox, Randy Hall, Mervyn Hartwick, Jim Jones, Bill King, Darren King, Evan King, Ryan King, Jeff LaRoche, B. Ray Mize, Jim Pinkerton, Cannon Pritchard, Roland Skelton, Larry Stevens

Attendance: Guests present (7) Mary-Claire Beard, Vernon Beck (speaker), Denise Bennett, Jeannie Hartwick, Dianne Jones, Sharon Mize, Barbara Stevens

Program: President Anderson introduced Vernon Beck our featured speaker for April. Vernon, was a former F-15 pilot as well as a B-52 pilot. After leaving the U.S. Air Force, Vernon was employed by a local petrochemical company. In this role he embezzled over 13 million dollars through a shell company and false invoicing scheme. He thought he would never be caught and admitted to having a narcissistic personality. Eventually the FBI caught up with him and he was arrested on 9-11-2017. Vernon went to prison and had a religious epiphany. He is now a stronger Christian and extols his changed life. Vernon's life has now changed forever, and he accepts no fee for telling his story.

Secretary Report: Jim Pinkerton stated that the March report was in the newsletter.

Treasurers Report: B. Ray Mize gave the report.

JROTC Report: Randy Hall stated that he sent out the list of available schools and compatriots that were making awards. Randy stated that there were several schools that still needed SAR members to present medals. Randy explained that he is now the person in charge of the state JROTC program.



Registrars Report: Larry Stevens and Kermit Breed both have pending new members.

Special Awards: Kermit Breed was presented with the national Lafayette Volunteer Service Award. Our Piney Woods chapter was awarded the Texas SAR Yearbook Award where we took 3rd place in Group Two. This is in the electronic chapter newsletter category. Piney Woods was awarded the John Bruce Stuart Jr. Memorial Award. This award is based on Veterans activities in 2021. Piney Woods was also a repeat winner for the *Texas SAR Flag Presentation Award at the state convention*. Larry Stevens was a repeat first place winner in for overall in the newsletter category.



Inductions: Mervyn Hartwick was inducted as a new member. He was sponsored by Larry Stevens. Bill King sponsored family members Darren King, Evan King, and Ryan King who were also inducted.

Adjournment: President Anderson gave the closing prayer and gave the closing recessional. The meeting was closed at 1:15 p.m.



Jim Pinkerton, Secretary



Jeanie Hartwick, Larry Stevens, and new member Merv Hartwick, Mike Anderson



Kermit Breed receiving the NSSAR Award for Volunteering in the Patriot Records Project PRS



Newest Youth Member KING with one proud Grandpa-Bill King



William O. "Bill" King with his two sons and grandsons-Darren, Evan and Ryan, ALL Inducted as NEW PineyWoods Chapter 51 Members



Dianne Jones and Barbara Stevens, DAR



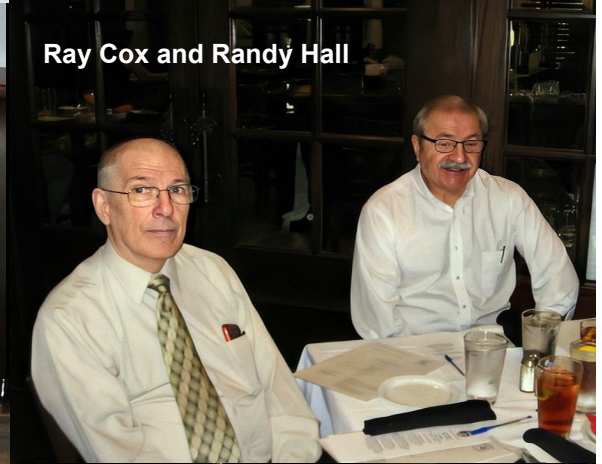
Joe Potter and Roland Skelton



Denise and Lee Bennett



Ray Cox and Randy Hall



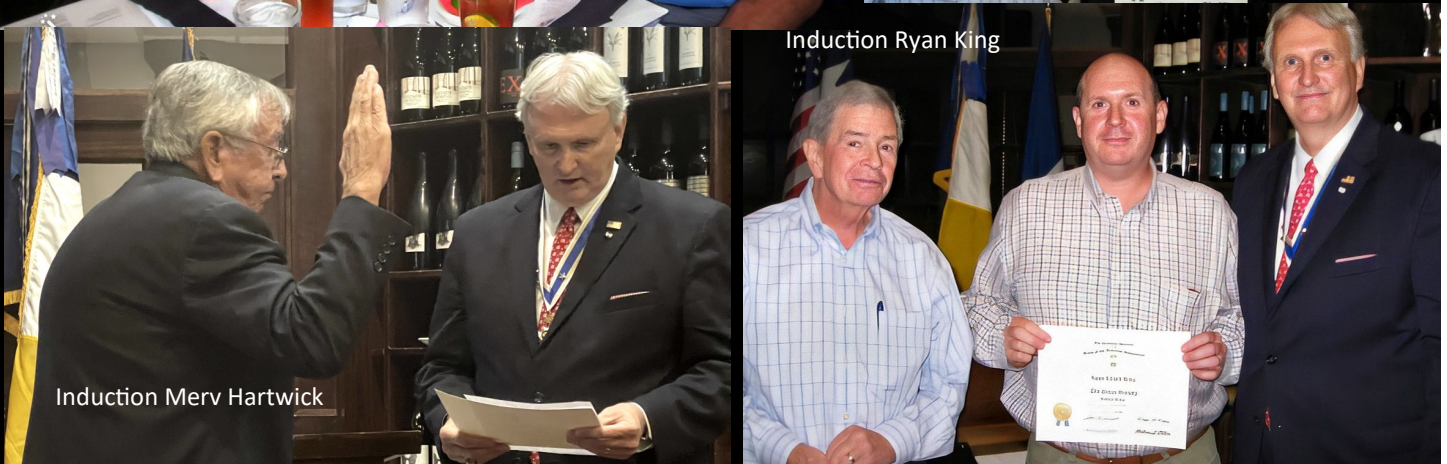
Jim Pinkerton, Sharon Mize, John C. Beard



Induction Daren King



Induction Ryan King



Induction Merv Hartwick

Sons of the American Revolution Membership

What is the cost? In TEXAS!

The chart below is from the form “Application Enrollment in the NSSAR Life Membership Plan”. It is age based; so, if a MEMBER is 18 years old, he pays \$955.00.

However, in Texas, a member must also pay Texas SAR Life Membership. Texas Life Membership is the same as NSSAR and uses the same chart.

Life Membership in NSSAR at 18 is \$955.00 and Life Membership in Texas is \$955.00. The total would be \$1,910.00.

An Applicant would download the NSSAR Form from the “Fee Calculator Tab” on the Texas Website (Under About Texas SAR—Public Site), fill in the required information, and print the form. (or, print the form and then add the required information.

Then, write two checks; one to NSSAR for \$955.00 and then one to TXSSAR for \$955.00. Mail the completed form and checks to the Texas State Treasurer. Retain a copy of the form and the checks.

The same formula applies if you are 70 years old—NSSAR is \$415.00-TXSSAR is \$415.00-Total \$830.00.

The address for the Texas Treasurer is:

Treasurer David A. Kinsey 1313 Caruth Ln., Celina TX 75009-3824 [treas at txssar.org](mailto:treas@txssar.org)

Is Life Membership a good deal?

DO the MATH! Annual Dues for the PineyWoods Chapter 51 is \$58.00 a year. If you are 40 years old, the NSSAR Life and the Texas Perpetual is \$1,580.00. If you divide this total by \$58, you will find your Life Fee is for 27.24 years. You would be 67 years old. Your Annual dues are paid for life. I paid for one some time ago. **QUESTIONS. Contact me. Larry Stevens - Chapter Registrar**

NSSAR National Life Membership Dues						
In accordance with a motion made and passed by the 124 th Congress in July 2014, the following rates for the National Life Membership Program were established per the following chart. In order to apply, the applicant must be a currently active member, and this application must be submitted to his (primary) State Society for forwarding to the NSSAR Headquarters.						
Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost
1 = \$1,040	16 = \$965	31 = \$870	46 = \$730	61 = \$540	76 = \$325	91 = \$160
2 = \$1,035	17 = \$960	32 = \$860	47 = \$720	62 = \$530	77 = \$315	92 = \$150
3 = \$1,030	18 = \$955	33 = \$855	48 = \$705	63 = \$515	78 = \$300	93 = \$140
4 = \$1,025	19 = \$950	34 = \$845	49 = \$700	64 = \$500	79 = \$290	94 = \$135
5 = \$1,020	20 = \$945	35 = \$835	50 = \$685	65 = \$485	80 = \$275	95 = \$125
6 = \$1,015	21 = \$940	36 = \$830	51 = \$670	66 = \$470	81 = \$265	96 = \$120
7 = \$1,010	22 = \$935	37 = \$820	52 = \$660	67 = \$460	82 = \$250	97 = \$90
8 = \$1,005	23 = \$925	38 = \$810	53 = \$650	68 = \$440	83 = \$240	98 = \$60
9 = \$1,000	24 = \$920	39 = \$800	54 = \$635	69 = \$425	84 = \$225	99 = \$30
10 = \$995	25 = \$915	40 = \$790	55 = \$625	70 = \$415	85 = \$215	100 + = \$0
11 = \$990	26 = \$905	41 = \$780	56 = \$610	71 = \$400	86 = \$205	
12 = \$985	27 = \$900	42 = \$770	57 = \$595	72 = \$385	87 = \$195	
13 = \$980	28 = \$895	43 = \$760	58 = \$585	73 = \$370	88 = \$185	
14 = \$975	29 = \$885	44 = \$750	59 = \$570	74 = \$353	89 = \$175	
15 = \$970	30 = \$875	45 = \$740	60 = \$550	75 = \$345	90 = \$165	