



**Pine Shavings  
PineyWoods chapter 51  
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**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.



**Veterans Day  
2022**

**Remember those who served  
in the United States Military**



**DENISE BENNETT**

*presents*

**CLEMENTINA RIND**

**FIRST FEMALE PRINTER OF  
VIRGINIA (1773-1774)**

**In our chapter meeting on November 19,  
2022, come and meet CLEMENTINA  
RIND, 1740-1774**

At the death of her husband William Rind, Clementina took over the management of his newspaper business in Williamsburg Virginia. She was the first female printer and newspaper publisher in the colonies, publishing import documents for the colonies, and the Virginia Gazette.



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# From the President:

## Members and Friends,

In last November's message, I discussed the history of Veteran's Day, and while very worthy of repeating, I do not want to recycle my previous columns. I thought I would discuss Veterans Day and salute our veterans with some statistics. . . . .

The United States military ranks in the top five biggest militaries in the world; in terms of active-duty members, we rank just after China and India. In 2020, the most current year for which I could find statistics, there are 2,395,993 active duty, national guard, and reserve forces broken down by branch as follows:



Army	1,092,475
Air Force	532,107
Navy	443,219
Marine Corps	279,910
Coast Guard	48,282

The total represents just .727 percent of our population. Amazing such a small percentage of our population keeps our country safe and protects our freedoms and those of many around the world.

In our nation's history, from the American Revolution through Desert Storm/Desert Shield, more than forty-one million served in the military during wartime. The number of veterans who served in the Revolutionary War is unknown but estimated to be between 184,000 and 250,000. The last surviving veteran of the Revolutionary War is murky. John Gray is the last veteran of the Revolutionary War who was able to prove his service in the Continental Army; he died in 1868 at the age of 104. Daniel F. Bakeman, who died on April 5,

1869, at the ripe old age of 109, is the last soldier to receive a pension. No specific records validating his service survived, but authorities deemed his testimony credible.

Please help me in celebrating our veterans on this Veterans Day as we thank them for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good. We owe them all a great debt of gratitude.

One matter on which I am being pinged quite often as we approach the end of the year is the service of Flag Certificates. Please help me in identifying worthy individuals or businesses who are patriotically displaying our nation's flag. Both Compatriot Larry Stevens and I have certificates we can personalize for presentation. We should be able to serve a few before the end of the year. Once served, we need to report the service to the state flag coordinator. Presenting Flag Certificates is a great way to recognize patriotism and discuss our organization.

Lastly, we are quickly approaching the end of the current officers' terms and are actively seeking new compatriots to step forward to lead the chapter for the next two years. I have enjoyed my term as president, but it is too early for me to reminisce as I have a few months left. New officers will assume responsibilities in March 2023, and we have TXSSAR State President Jim Kuykendall scheduled to speak at that month's meeting.

**Mike Anderson**

**President**

# Piney Woods Lunch Program - November 19, 2022

## *Denise Bennett presents Clementina Rind*

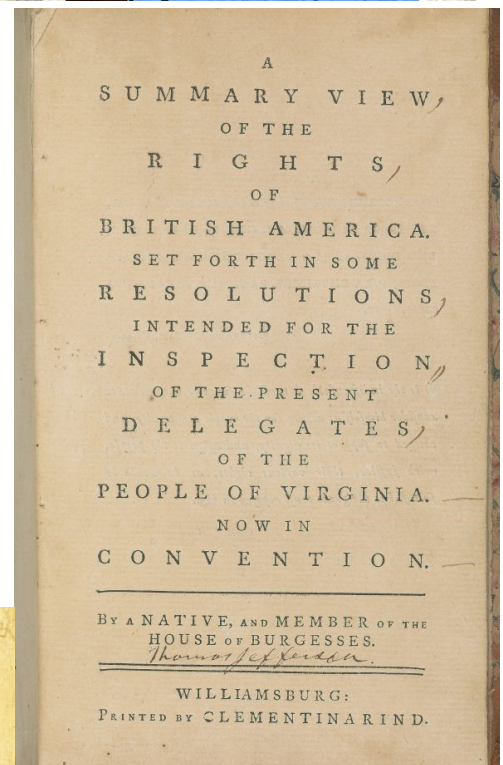


Denise Bennett is a lifelong volunteer. Mrs. Bennett is a 1st and 2nd generation American whose husband can trace his ancestry back to several of the Pilgrims who came to America in 1620 on the Mayflower.

She has researched her genealogy for over 25 years, going on numerous research and ancestral journeys including to Ireland and Scotland. Despite her very recent immigrant ancestors, she can trace her lineage in America back to the American Revolution and to the third ship that arrived in Plymouth, Massachusetts in 1623. She has joined 10 lineage societies with one of the most international applications.

In her first 3 generations she had proof documents which required translations in 3 different languages – German, Spanish and old Persian.

Denise enjoys doing historical first-person interpretations. Much research goes into every component of the historical person she portrays. Currently, Denise has at least one persona for every century of American history.



*Virginia Gazette*, (right) and *Summary View of the Rights of British Americans* (above) by Jefferson both published in Williamsburg 1774 by Clementina Rind



As the nation braced itself for the final throes of the Civil War, thousands of spectators gathered on a muddy Pennsylvania Avenue near the U.S. Capitol to hear President Lincoln’s second inaugural address. It was March 4, 1865, a time of great uneasiness. In just over one month, the war would end and the President would be assassinated. President Lincoln framed his speech on the moral and religious implications of the war; rhetorically questioning how a just God could unleash such a terrible war upon the nation. “If we shall suppose that American slavery is one of those offenses in the providence of God, ... and that He gives to both North and South this terrible war as the woe due to those by whom the offenses came.” With its deep philosophical insights, critics have hailed the speech as one of Lincoln’s best. As the speech progressed, President Lincoln turned from the divisive bitterness at the war’s roots to the unifying task of reconciliation and reconstruction. In the speech’s final paragraph, the president delivered his prescription for the nation’s recovery: **“With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation’s wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow, and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations.”** With the words, “To care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow, and his orphan,” President Lincoln affirmed the government’s obligation to care for those injured during the war and to provide for the families of those who perished on the battlefield. health care, disability compensation and rehabilitation, education assistance, home loans, burial in a national cemetery, and other benefits and services. *Abraham Lincoln President*

## 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

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

November 19, 2022

December 10, 2022 (Stevens)



## **ROOTS OF REVOLT**

**“Les Miz”**, Barbara and I were at the musical *Les Misérables*, based on the book by Victor Hugo, and presented by the Kingwood High School Drama Department on November 5<sup>th</sup>, and it was very good. We have seen the musical in London, New York, and here in Houston, with the best professional actors with wonderful



**FONTANE**

rich voices. We felt the young people at Kingwood did an outstanding job on par with some of the productions we have seen. We loved it.

The musical gives you glimpses of what this life was like in the early 1800's in France.

Victor Hugo wrote of the “Poor People, or The Retches, of France” and the rebellion against the monarchy in June 1832.

The June Rebellion of the Paris Uprising of 1832 was an anti-monarchist rebellion by Parisian Republicans. The rebellion was an attempt by the Republicans to reverse the establishment in 1830 of the July Monarchy of Louis Philippe, shortly after the death of the King's powerful supporter and President of the Council, Casimir Perier.

Spurring their action was the death from cholera of Jean Maximilien Lamarque on May 16, 1832. He was a popular Republican figure, a former Army commander and member of the French parliament, who was critical of the monarchy. The riots that followed his funeral sparked the rebellion. This was the last outbreak of violence linked with the July Rebellion of 1830.

Hugo memorialized this rebellion in his novel “*Les Misérables*”, a French historical novel, first published in 1862. But, Hugo's story concerning angry French people, was not the first angry violent protest. In 1789, the French people revolted against an uncaring French Monarchy ruled by Louis XVI and the upper classes of French society.

I wonder if historians have ever studied the effects on the thousands of common French soldiers who landed in Newport, Rhode Island, 1779. The British had abandoned Newport in 1779 but still held a Naval presence in the area. The French were nothing but an occupation force until July 1781 when Rochambeau marched to join Washington's Army at White Plains, New York. As part of Washington's Army, they marched south into Virginia and forced Cornwallis to fortify Yorktown. After the combined American and French victory, nearly all the French Army boarded vessels and sailed back to France. The revolutionary fervor of the Americans traveled with them back to France.



***The Famous Painting of the Fight on the Barricade is re-enacted in scenes of the musical, Les Misérables***



LOUIS XVI

In 1788, France was broke. King Louis XVI and the Aristocracy were extravagant spenders. Food shortages, the Estate System of government, Enlightenment ideas, and the ideals of American Revolution all contributed to revolt.

In January 1789, French writer and clergyman **Abbe Emmanuel Joseph Sieyes** publish a political essay on what he named the Third Estate or the common people of France.

He argued the Third Estate constituted a nation within itself and had no need of the dead weight of the other two orders, the First Estate (clergy), and the Second Estate (aristocracy.) Sieyes stated the people wanted genuine representation in the Estates-General, equal to the other two

orders together. Votes should be taken by heads and not by orders. His ideas from this publication came to have a huge influence on the French Revolution.

Sieyes publication, *'Is it not evident that the noble order has privileges and expenditures which it dares to call its rights, but which are apart from the rights of the great body of citizens? It departs there from the common law. So its civil rights make of it an isolated people in the midst of the great nation. This is truly imperium in imperia.'*

In July 1789, King Louis XVI attempted to regain absolute power by increasing ammunition and supplies. But Parisians stormed the Bastille on July 14, 1789, capturing it and an ammunition depot foiling Louis XVI's plan.

During the night of the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of June 1791, the King, Queen, and their children left Tuileries Place and fled by carriage to Montmedy. On June 21-22, 1791, the king is recognized at Varenness and arrested. The French Assembly said he was taken against his will and they sent three commissioners to bring him back to Paris. On June 25<sup>th</sup>, the King was returned to Paris and the Assembly suspended his functions.

On September 3, 1791, France had its first written constitution establishing a constitutional monarchy. The King was given veto rights and the ability to appoint ministers. This did not sit well with influential radicals, like Maximilien de Robespierre and others, who demanded a more republican form of government and to bring Louis XVI to trial. In April 1792 a new legislative assembly declared war on Austria and Prussia where they believe counter revolutionary alliances were being formed. And, on August 18, 1792, the King was arrested by the extremist Jacobins. Louis XVI was beheaded on January 21, 1793. This was followed by the "Reign of Terror" where more than 17,000 were tried and beheaded.

France continued to struggle politically, the people unhappy, when on November 9, 1799, the young, popular, Napoleon Bonaparte staged a coup d'état, abolishing the Directory and declaring himself First Consul. The new ERA began. The struggle of the French from 1789 to 1800 is too detailed to review here. LGS



The THIRD ESTATE CARRIES the CLERGY and ARISTOCRACY 1789





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**2022 Issue 9 Editor—Larry Stevens**

Members and Friends,

November 11th, I posted my United States Flag in front of the house, in remembrance of all those who served. On the front page of this newsletter are four pictures. The one the right is Merv Hartwick, US Naval Officer, the day before his wedding at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola Florida. Merv was a flying officer; flying is something he began at an early age in Northern California.



Then there is a picture of my brother Boyd, not long after OCS and commissioned as a Naval Officer. He was assigned to the USS Galveston based in San Diego, California. This picture was taken in 1963. The Galveston had docked in Alameda, just south of Oakland, California, and he was visiting our parents. I was still in the USAF but was able to join Boyd and tour the Galveston plus one to the Pacific Aircraft Carriers.



Boyd was heading for his first cruise to SE Asia. He became the fire control officer coordinating long range cannon fire.



My father is pictured next in his US Army summer uniform. He was WWII draftee and assigned to a replacement battalion posted at Camp Roberts just inland from San Louis Obispo, California, where he worked on the rifle ranges and became an instructor.

The last picture was taken in Modesto, California, in the Fall of 1960. My mother insisted I put on my new dress blue Class A uniform. I had completed Radio School at Keesler AFB, in Biloxi, Mississippi, a



place Ray Cox is very familiar with, since he lived in the area when in high school. I was going to my first out of the country assignment in Rabat, Morocco, at the USAF Moroccan Liaison Office.

EDITOR

## Better Together

Long time Greentree Elementary teachers Dani Galiano and Kelly Abdmoulaie presented our October 15th Luncheon Program titled “Better Together.” Both 5th grade teachers have been instrumental in promoting Patriots Day at Greentree. Patriots Day is generally at the time the students are completing the history of colonial America and the Revolutionary War. The celebration occurs annually near Veteran’s Day.



Greentree Elementary has used Values Through History’s program for 5th grade American History, “Why America Is Free”, since 1999. Both teachers described the impact this program has had on teaching the children what colonial life was during the late 1700’s, and how important it is to have these additional resource to enhance the standard Texas curriculum.

Both teachers said that bringing it all together in a Patriot Day, where children dress up in “colonial” era dress, play games of that period, make candles, butter, attend 1700’s classes, attend presentations on colonial music, colonial life. Patriot Day is one of the most important teaching events because children will remember this experience, and American History, for many years to come.



“Why America Is Free Curriculum” is a wonderful teaching tool for our upper elementary school students covering the events of the American Revolution, the issues our founding fathers faced, and our patriotic heroes who sacrificed so much for the free nation we enjoy today. (Larry Stevens—NSSAR Education Committee Chairman 2014)

The program description, written by Donna Passmore and Jan Smucler states, “ **At this age, students are old enough to think abstractly, analyze rationally, apply ideas, and make emotional connections. Equally important, they are still uninhibited enough to play freely and imagine themselves in the world of the**

**18<sup>th</sup> century.**” Dani and Kelly used a Power Point slide presentation to talk about the tools they use. Accompanying their subject slides were pictures of the 5th grade students learning to read maps, learning about the explorers in an exercised called “Diving For Explorer Information”, and examining “Explorer Scrolls.” Dani and Kelly talked about teaching “Early American Settlements” using pictures of Native American habitats and early European settlements.. Students learned more about the Thirteen Colonies by drawing posters that are hung on the classroom walls.

The speeches of Patrick Henry are read. Dani dresses for the part as Patrick Henry and delivers, “Give Me Liberty....”. Parliament Gone Mad is another interesting exercise. After is the school’s Patriot Day, coming to school in colonial dress, attending colonial school, experiencing a tavern. Then, they study the Bill or Rights using examples, Living Statues of Patriots, and one very interesting exercise is map with pawns identifying who ended up with what after the wars and what this meant to America.

This additional instructional material is not a part of the normal curriculum for 5th Grade History in Texas. It is based on Values Through History’s, “Why America Is Free Curriculum”, for public and private school adopted by Humble ISD years ago.

As the world evolves, educational programs come and go generally due to changes in administrators and teachers. Unless these education goals are championed from one generation to the next, they are lost, and in this case, the next generations of 5th Graders will not experience the late 1700’s history. They will not understand our country’s foundations.



## CHAPTER MEETING



Abe Abdmoulaie wielded the gavel as our VP substituting for President Anderson who had to go out of town on business. He took his responsibility seriously! He had everyone laughing.

Jim Pinkerton (above right) thought Kelly Abdmoulaie yelled duck, I guess, while she and Dani Galiano were discussing teaching 5th grade American History. As a former educator and administrator, Jim can appreciate all that our guest speakers do.

It was a great pleasure for him to recognize Bear Branch elementary Principal Kakie Palmer with the SAR Certificate of Appreciation. Some of the chapter members joined RevEdu776 in helping Kakie's school celebrate Patriots Day on November 4, 2022.



Larry is pictured at left with a Bear Branch 5th grade student who is submitting his application to become a member of the PineyWoods Chapter 51 Texas SAR.

Ray Cox and Larry Stevens made presentations from around 8:45 until 2:15. Principal Palmer was present at different times during the day watching the performances.



**Jim Pinkerton and Kakie Palmer**

## **YOUTH CONTEST FOR 2022**

**Contest rules for all categories can be found on the Texas Website.**

**txssar.org**

### **ESSAY CONTEST**

**Essays are to be submitted to the Chapter on or before December 31, 2022**

**This contest is for Grades 9-12 in Public or Private School. Members relatives can submit Essays.**

**Submit to Larry Stevens**

### **JROTC SCHOLARSHIP**

**Submissions must be to Chapter JROTC Co-Ordinator Randy Hall on or before December 31, 2022**

### **EAGLE SCOUT**

**Entries must be submitted by December 31, 2022**

**Send to Jeff LaRochelle**

### **ORATION CONTEST**

**Candidates should be identified NOW for Area Competitions. These can be submitted digitally.**

**Contact the Chapter**

### **4H CONTEST**

**(Ask for information)**

### **POSTER CONTEST**

**Posters must be submitted to the chapter by December 31, 2022**

**Contest is open for 5th grade Students in both Private and Public Schools.**

### **BROCHURE CONTEST**

**Must be submitted to the chapter by December 31, 2022**

**Contest is for 8th grade students from both Private and Public Schools**

**PLEASE visit our website and print copies of the rules and forms needed for entries.**

**Follow ALL instructions!!**

## 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

New Applications In Progress

One New Mailed to Costal Registrar 11/14/2012

One New Youth Nearly Ready

## CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

Love, Anthony R. SAR# 222328 Anc. Buchanan, John 2nd Lt NC Margaret Kennedy 5/19/2022

Kallina, Cameron SAR# 222517 Anc. Hinds, John Capt. NC unknown 5/20/2022

PineyWoods Chapter Membership: a/o 21 Feb 2022

Regular— 82 New - 7 Dual— 4 Youth—4 Reinstated 11 Total 108

## VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY

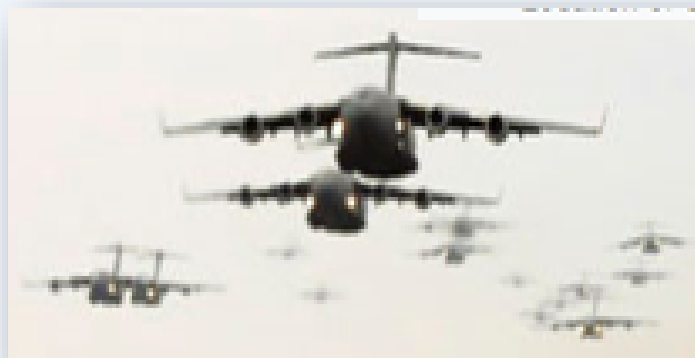
### SERVICE MEMBERS

## 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**



**Please cut out the individual coupons before your mail them or bring them to the meeting. Thank you in advance.**

*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— November 19, 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

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**  
**Union Kitchen Restaurant**  
**October 15, 2022**

**Vice President Abe Abdmoulaie** called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. Vice President Abdmoulaie gave the invocation. He led the members and guest in the pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags.

**Attendance;** (13) Compatriots present: Merv Hartwick, Bill Kip, Kermit Breed, Abe Abdmoulaie, Larry Stevens, B Ray Mize, Richard Payne, Roland Skelton, Cannon Pritchard, Ray Cox, Anthony Love, Joe Potter, Jim Pinkerton.

**Attendance:** (7) Guests present: Jeannie Hartwick, Dani Galiano, Kelly Abdmoulaie, Kakie Palmer, Barbara Stevens, Sharon Mize, Romsey Love

**Program:** Dani Galiano and Kelly Abdmoulaie, fifth grade teachers at Greentree Elementary School presented a program titled “Better Together.” Dani and Kelly are both long time Greentree teachers, involved in the Patriots Day Program. They took members on the year long journey of teaching 5<sup>th</sup> social studies including Civil Rights Day and Hippie Day. Both ladies were presented Certificates of Appreciation, and Bronze Good Citizen Medals for their long time love and work in the “Why America is Great” program.

**Old and New Business:** Registrar Larry Stevens, stated that he had two new applications in progress. He also stated that our chapter will have 111 members when the Texas Secretary/Treasurer updated his files. Vice President Abdmoulaie reminded members of the upcoming Fallen Hero’s Golf Tournament scheduled for October 29<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds benefit scholarships and Blue Star Mothers. The DAR will be sponsoring a blood drive in conjunction with St. Arnolds Brewery. Coupon report indicated that we have sent out \$140,000 worth of coupons to our Asian Air Force bases. Ray Cox stated that the 2023 state dues can be accessed on the state web site. Larry Stevens stated that they had finished a patriot’s program on Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> of October at Creekwood Middle School. John Schmonesse also presented his program at the school. Kakie Palmer, Principal of Bear Branch Elementary School, was presented a Certificate of Appreciation for her schools work in the Patriots Day Program.

**Adjournment:** The closing prayer was given by Vice President Abdmoulaie. He also gave the recessional, and the meeting was closed at 1:15 p.m.