

# Pine Shavings PineyWoods chapter 51 Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution August 2021 Issue 7





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). If you are an SAR Compatriot or prospective member in this area, we invite you to visit with us and consider joining our chapter to further your interest in our Patriotic, Historic, and Educational activi-



### **CHAPTER MEETING AUGUST 21, 2021**

**New Location** 

#### UNION KITCHEN KINGWOOD

11 AM til 1 PM

Select Group Menu for \$30 (Includes Lunch, Drink, Gratuity)

23918 HWY I 59 North between Kingwood Dr. and Northpark Dr. on the East Side—FM 1960 or Beltway 8 from the south and from the north, HWY 99 or FM 1314 (both exit Kingwood Drive and drive north on the frontage road. Union Kitchen is in the shopping center just behind Texas Roadhouse Restaurant.



131st NSSAR CONGRESS
Renton,, Washington
Pages 4-8

### From the President:



### Members and Friends,

I hope everyone had a great summer although technically we still have a few more weeks left and many hot days ahead of us. We also will all breathe a little easier once we get past hurricane season.

As I emailed all of you, we will commence our 2021 – 2022 year on Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at Union Kitchen, 23918 Highway 59 North. Please note our meetings will begin at 11:00 am, and the program will kickoff at 11:30 am. I have scheduled speakers through December with a couple being on historical topics and others interesting speakers I have seen or heard about. If you have speakers you want to recommend, I welcome all ideas. As I say, like the Hunt brothers with silver, I do not have the market cornered on interesting speakers.

Because of the reemergence of Covid and the Delta variant, we need to keep a close eye on the current conditions. If necessary, we can easily pivot to a virtual platform although in-person is the preferred method of meeting. We always have more attendees at our in-

person meetings than the virtual. Although most, if not all, of us are vaccinated, I never want to put anyone in a potentially unhealthy situation.

Last week, I participated in several Zoom committee meetings in anticipation of August 7<sup>th</sup> Board of Managers virtual meeting. There was a lot of great information on the workings of the TXSSAR and the various committees. There are a couple of topics discussed that I think are very important to share:

Because of the TXSSAR's nonprofit status, members are not permitted to engage in any political activity or lobby government officials in their capacity as a SAR member. As a private citizen you can certainly engage in political activity, but you just cannot invoke your SAR membership. For example, you can attend a political rally in your Color Guard uniform, but you cannot wear SAR pins or discuss your SAR membership at the rally. Similarly, TXSSAR Chapters cannot engage speakers who are making campaign speeches.

If you are participating in any SAR activities with children, it is <u>highly</u> recommended you complete the NSSAR Youth Protection Training Course which is available on the TXSSAR private site under the "Member Training" hyperlink. It is a quick course that provides valuable information for you to protect yourself. Upon completion, print and maintain your certificate.

Another item of interest is the TXSSAR intends to recognize artist Ken Pridgeon with the Silver Good Citizen Medal. Mr. Pridgeon, who proclaims himself as the "Poor man's Norman Rockwell," since 2010 has worked

on painting each Texan killed in action in the Iraq and Afghanistan wars. He has completed more than 250 portraits by painting six days a week, 13-15 hours a day. The paintings are not for sale, but visitors may view some of the portraits he has painted at the Fallen Warriors Memorial Art Gallery in Spring. A trip to the gallery would definitely be worth the road trip. Because of Covid, call ahead to ensure the gallery is open. There are several YouTube videos about Mr. Pridgeon and his gallery if you are interested.

Looking forward to seeing you on August 21<sup>st</sup>.

### Mike Anderson

President

### **PINEYWOODS**

**Chapter Meetings** 

August 21, 2021 September 18, 2021 October 16, 2021 November 20, 2021 December 18, 2021 (TBA)

### **PineyWoods Chapter Officers**

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 - Kim Morton** 

**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** 



### **National**

Leadership is scheduled for September 24-25 in Louisville, KY.

### South Central District—2021

The SCD Meeting is scheduled for August 28, 2021, Saturday, at 8:00 am - 12 Noon. There will be a candidate forum at 4 pm on Friday August  $27^{\text{th}}$ , followed by a dinner. It will be held at the Hyatt Richardson, TX



### **Texas Society 2021**

The Fall BOM is October 7—10, 2021 at the NASA Hilton in Clearlake Lake City.

131st Annual NSSAR Congress



SAR Members from around the country gathered at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on the south shore of Lake Washington in Renton, Washington. This was the first live congress since 2019. Even with Virus fears, 181 delegates and their guests. Texas Members attending posed for a group picture with General John Norman Mattis (R-4 Star Marine) and the 26<sup>th</sup> Secretary of Defense. The General was flanked by PG Thomas Law-



rence and Mickey Jo, VPG Larry Stevens and Barbara, Wanda and PG Nathan White, Past Texas Pres. Robert Cohen, Marie Yancey with Trustee Thomas Jackson, and Pres. Elect. Jim Kuykendall.

PineyWoods members Ron & Connie Barker, Jim & Dianne Jones, and Laura and Russ DeVenny are also in the photo.

### **SAR Officer Procession**

President General Thomas E. Lawrence and his Lady Mickey Jo (left) Vice President General Larry G. Stevens and his Lady Barbara (Right)







### Hi from Seattle!

PineyWoods members and wives send a "Hello, wish you were here." from beautiful Reston, Washington, on the banks of Lake Washington. Days were pleasant and nights were downright cool. Good food and good friends.. From the Barkers, DeVenny's, Jones, Lawrences, and Stevens'.





### 131 NSSAR Congress, Renton, Washington – July 13, 2021



South Central District

(back 2 Rows L-R) Tom Jackson TX, Jim Jones TX, Russ DeVenney MO, Mel Oller TX, Bob Cohen TX, Jim Kuy-kendall TX, David Temple TX, James Osbourn MO, Tim Peterson KS, Vern Winkler KS, John B. Schwartz KS, Ken Young OK, Bobby Hulse KS, Ken Graalum TX, Stan Granberg ARK, David Kinsey (TX) (Front L-R) Becky Osbourn, Mrs. Barbara Stevens, VPG Larry Stevens, Mrs. Nancy Temple, Mrs. Dianne Jones, Gena Granderg



Texas Ladies at the First Ladies Luncheon—Seattle Yacht Club

(L-R) Gloria Leitz, Marie Yancey, Mickey Jo Lawrence, Dianne Jones, Barbara Stevens, Wanda White, Nancy Temple

Larry Stevens –In the Background The Hyatt Regency Renton WA



After serving a year as the appointed Vice President General of the South Central District, 2020-2021, filling a vacancy, Larry Stevens was inducted by SAR Chancellor Peter Davenport as the VPG SCD for 2021-2022 at the Trustees meeting on the afternoon of July 13th, 2021. Also inducted were Past Texas President David Temple was inducted as Texas Trustee and Past Texas President Thomas Jackson Alternate Trustee. After the induction, the Trustees met, presided by PG Jack Manning, to begin their terms for 2021-2022. PG Manning would be ending a two year term as PG, 2019-2021, due to the Pandemic.

The most significant action affecting Texas SAR was a slight majority of delegates at this Congress voted to increase New Member and Supplemental Applications Fees. The National Fee for all New Members Application goes up \$20 and Supplementals \$40, effective July 15, 2021.

**President General** 

**Jack Manning** 

The 250th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War is a big topic. The National Society wants all States and Chapters to begin plans for celebrations commemorating the events and people before, during and after the Revolutionary War. Starting Now in just 4 years, 2025, will mark the anniversary of the "Shot Heard Around The World", at Lexington April 19, 1775. Texas and the rest of the South Central District received many awards for their performance in 2020 despite the Pandemic.



Jim Kuykendall TXSSAR President Elect with PG Manning



SAR Veterans
pose with
Ex Defense Secretary
Gen John Mattis

### Host Reception - Museum of Flight — July 10, 2021



The Washington Society hosted a Saturday Night Welcoming Reception at the "Museum of Flight" in Seattle where toured the facility containing many historic air craft and pictures. The reception dinner was under a F 117 Stealth Fighter used during the First Gulf War. The Aircraft in the dining area surrounded us; on the sides and above.

The passenger plane below carried passengers during the 1930's and the sides were plywood, it has wooden blinds, coach chairs and a restroom.





















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Larry G. Stevens, Editor.

America needs to return to work. Forecast of new outbreaks of Delta Variants are coming true. All those who elected not or just did have vaccinations against the COVID Virus are now contacting it in droves. Reports of up to 97% of NEW CASES are Americans who did not get vaccinated. They pose a threat not only to themselves but everyone they come into contact with. Even some that received vaccinations are contacting the Delta Virus, although the cases reported are not severe. The problem is, those that received vaccinations, and have the virus, now have become carriers.

One very refreshing sight was at Walgreens. When picking up prescription, there was line; a line of young people signing up for vaccinations. One parent said her 17 teen year old was getting the shot even though she did not want it.

Concerns about side effects of the vaccinations are addressed in great detail on sites you can find on the Internet. Even the naysayers are addressed. All, if you have not contacted COVID or have not been vaccinated, do so now.

Your Editor
Larry Stevens



# 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the American Revolution 2025-2033

The National Society Sons of the American Revolution has challenged every SAR State Society and Chapter to recognize those events that led to the American Revolution, as well as those events that occurred during the Revolution. Each SAR State Society and Chapter should hold public venues to educate, recognize, honor, and celebrate the events and heroes of the period surrounding the American Revolution. These events will be significate events related directly to acts of resistance of British attempts to coerce the residents in American from the first Parliamentary Act, through the armed struggle, until the Treaty of Paris.

### TEXAS SOCIETY LADIES AUXILIARY

### SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

PATRIOTISM, EDUCATION, HISTORY

It is reasonable to assume that most new members of PineyWoods do not know about the Ladies Auxiliary of TXSSAR. I am here to tell you a little about it and plead for more PineyWoods wives to become members.

The LATXSSAR was formed in 2005 to support TXSSAR. LATXSSAR members have played many roles over the years in assisting with meetings and raising funds for a number of the TXSSAR causes, most often the Patriot Fund which provides the youth awards.

The current LATXSSAR Board of Management has two PineyWoods wives, Sharon Mize, Recording Secretary, and Barbara Stevens, Treasurer/Registrar as officers. Former officers include Dianne Jones and Mary-Claire Beard. Current members from Piney-Woods are Dianne Jones, Sharon Mize, Sarah Potter, and Barbara Stevens. Please join them. The form is below.

The 2021-23 Fundraising Project is designated to support the SAR Museum in Louisville. The Museum has a program which allows members, chapters, and organizations such as LATXSSAR to purchase artifacts. A further description of this project is on the next page. The ladies are hoping to make a significant contribution to the Museum in the name of the LATXSSAR. The raffle for this term is for one of two Patriotic stained glass pieces pictured. The "tickets" are 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20. Ask a LATXSSAR member for more information.



#### Membership Form:

Name			Membership Fees	
SAR Contact			Annual	\$5
Address	W V	100	Lifetime	\$100
City	State	Zip	LATXSSAR pin	\$10
Email			NLASSAR Pin	\$10
Telephone	cell			Total

Please make checks payable to LATXSSAR. Send completed form and checks to Barbara Stevens, 1706 Chestnut Grove Lane, Kingwood, TX 77345-1911

### **SAR Museum Artifact Donor Program**

The SAR Museum Committee, under Museum Committee Chair, Kent Gregory, started a program to supplement the existing artifact collection which Revolutionary War period artifacts. The program has successfully added some wonderful pieces to the collection. They periodically publish a list of artifacts they have identified as available and others that the wish to have. The Committee has some very good relationships developed with collectors and vendors which can assist potential donors. The LATXSSAR has chosen this program as the benefactor of their 2021-23 Fundraising. See below just a few of the donations.











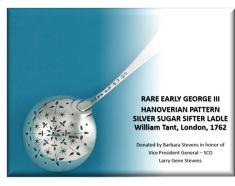














## CHEROKEE Revolutionary Battlefields

July 15, 1776 The Battle of Lundleys Ford — Cherokee and Loyalist At the beginning of the Revolution in South Carolina, many Loyalist fled to Cherokee Territory and lived with them. In the Spring of 1776. Encroachment on Cherokee lands caused the Cherokee to go on the Warpath with the Loyalist joining them. They struck without warning on July 1, 1776. Henry Laurens wrote "the the cherokee attacked very suddenly, without an pretense to Provocation those Devils in various parties headed by White Men." They killed as many as 60 South Carolians". (Jim Piecuch, *Three Peoples, One King,* Columbia SC; Uni. Of SC Press (2008)) The attachs continued, so outling settlers fled to



fortified settlements or forts in their area. One of the forts was at Lindley Fort. The refugees strenghtened the fortifications and prepared for the worst. On July 14, 1776, Major Jonathan Downs arrived with his militia bringing their total to about 150. (John Gorden, South Carolina and the American Revolution: A Battlefield History, Columbia SC, Uni. Of SC Press, (2003). The next morning, July 15, the combined Cherokee-Loyalist force of 190 arrived. They assulted the fort but the stockade walls held. Armed only with muskets and tomahawks, the Cherokee began to retreat, heading for easier targets. Major Downs sent out a sortie that engaged the Cherokee and Loyalist in a running battle capturing ten Loyalist. The terror continued prompting both Carolinas to retaliate beginning in July 1776. North and South Carolina sent hundreds to units into Cherokee territory, burning Cherokee Towns and driving the Cherokee to the West.



August 12, 1776—South Carolina—The "RING FIGHT" In late summer, South Carolina dispatched a force of 1100 men to burn the Cherokee out of their villages in an effort to defend their western frontier. On August 12, 1776, leading a scouting party of 25 men, Col Andrew Pickens led his men searching for the Cherokee. Marching through a corn field, he was suddenly attacked by a very large force of Cherokee. Thinking quickly, he formed his men in two circles, with the smaller in the middle and ordered them to fire one ring at a time. The Cherokeee surrounded his formation when their own ring and firing continued. Soon the two forces engaged in hand to hand fighting. Picken's brother Joseph, hearing the musket fire, alerted the larger militia force who came to Pickens aid driving the Cherokee into the woods. Following the



Cherokee, they found their encampment at Tamassee Town and burned it to the ground. The battle became known as the "Ring Fight", occuring near downtown in West Union, South Carolina, West of Greenville. Eleven of Pickens twenty-five were killed. The Cherokee, believed to number over 180 lost sixty-five killed and fourteen wound left behind. This was a huge loss for the Cherokee. After this battle the Cherokee showed their respect to Andrew Pickens, the great warrior, calling him IAGUNSKA meaning Wizzard Owl. Later in life, Pickens settled in this same area and became good friend with the Cherokee.



### May 1777 — The Treaty of Dewitt's Corner

Following the Cherokee raids, in
September and October 1776,
Colonel (Brigadier General) Andrew
Williamson led a large force
consisting of South Carolina
Continentals and Militia on a
major campaign against the
Cerokee in western Carolina,

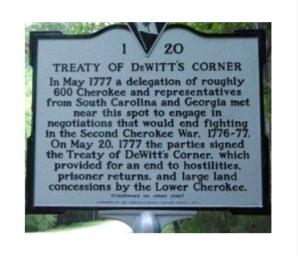
today in eastern Tennessee. This force routed the

North Carolina and what

Cherokee burning 51 towns, destroying crops, and killing an unknown number of Cherokee breaking the regional power of the Cherokee. In May 1777, more than 600 Cherokee and representatives from South Carolina and Georgia agreed to a settlement dictated by South Carolina which established a line between the Cherrokee and the states and ceded more than one million arcres to the states.







### Fledge to the United State of America

I Fledge 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 jus-

### Texas Pledge

Honor the Texas flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.



### AGENDA—21 August 2021 — 11:30 AM

#### INVOCATION

PLEDGES; USA &Texas Flag and SAR Pledge **INTRODUCTIONS** President Mike Anderson

### **CALL FOR REPORTS**

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Historian—Kermit Breed

Sgt. At Arms—Randy Hall

Newsletter Report—Larry Stevens

Webmasters Report — Ray Cox

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Veterans—John Worm

Youth Awards—JROTC

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **BENEDICTION**

SAR CLOSING—Abe Abdmoulaie

#### SAR PLEDGE

### **SAR CLOSING**

"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."

"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."

# PineyWoods Chapter 51 Business Meeting Italiano's Restaurant 8148 FM 1960 East

May 15, 2021—LIVE!

President Michael Anderson opened the meeting at 12:07 p.m. with a welcome to members and guests. He led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags. This was followed by the SAR pledge. Chaplin, Alan Bowman gave the invocation.

Compatriots (14) Present: Michael Anderson, Kermit Breed, Jim Pinkerton, Ben Baskin, Joe Potter, Bill King, Alan Bowman, Ray Cox, Ronald Skelton, David Berges, John Worm, Bernie Kent, John Kenton Thompson, Abe Adbmoulaie.

Guests (2) Present: Judy Worm, Carolyn Bowman



**Secretaries Report:** Jim Pinkerton stated that the report appeared in the April newsletter. There were no revisions or corrections.

**Treasurers Report:** No report was given. Ray Cox collected the money for the lunch.

**Special Awards:** Ray Cox (Service of the State Website) and Jim Jones (Patriot Ribbon Award) were given special recognition for work at the state level. This presentation was from the TXSAR zoom convention.

Youth Program: N/A

**JROTC:** None given

**New Member Installation:** None

**New and Old Business:** President Anderson spoke about the rescheduled DAR, Humble Cemetery grave cleaning project. The project has been rescheduled for May 22, 2021. Interested parties should contact President Anderson.

The TXSAR awarded our Piney Woods Chapter two additional awards at the convention. The Col. M. Hill Patriot Fund Award for total contributions that exceeded last years total. The other award was for sponsoring Cadet Captain Karli McMillam as third Place Winner of the Texas Enhanced JROTC Award.

Bernie Kent spoke about the need to find a new location the was more central in location for us to meet. Italianos is difficult for many to get to, as well as impending addition-



al road construction. John Worm reminded members that coupons could not be submitted it they were over 6 months out of date.

President Anderson gave a report about the planning for an interactive and high-tech museum at NSSAR Headquarters. The museum expects to have a hologram exhibit of George Washington and has a short-term goal of acquiring 500 period artifacts. To date, there is no information on when construction will begin. Donations for the museum can be made to the SAR Foundation.

Abe, our chapter historian and current Vice President Abe Abdmoulaie, gave members a copy of the final version of our PineyWoods yearbook. Office Depot in Humble is doing the work with and expected completion date of May 26<sup>th</sup>. Cost per book will be \$43.60.

**Program:** President Anderson gave a short presentation on the Flag Certificate Program and Public Service Awards. Kermit Breed gave a presentation on Breeds Hill, his name's sake, mistakenly called the battle of Bunker Hill and the importance of it in the early conflicts of the American Revolution.

**Closing:** Michael Anderson reminded us that we would have no meetings in June or July. Our next meeting will be on Saturday, August 21. The recessional was given and the meeting concluded at 1:55 p.m.

Jim Pinkerton Secretary





#### CHAPTER YEARBOOKS ARE READY

1ST VP Abe Abdmoulaie

Exciting news! The yearbooks are in and ready for pick up! You can come by and pick up Thursday thru Tuesday. The yearbooks will be in a covered tan container box at the front door if we are not at home. There is an order list in the box, please cross your off your name when you pick up your yearbook. If you can not make it to my house, I will either mail the book or hand deliver if needed.

My home address is 5919 Juniper Bluff in Kingwood. If you have not yet paid, you can send your check made out to the PineyWoods Chapter 51 TXSSAR and mail it to me. An Electronic option was included in notification my E-mail to those who ordered Yearbooks.

### **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 research.

President Mike Anderson

**NEW APPLICATIONS:** New Members William "Bill" King and Registrar Larry Stevens are working on applications for his two sons and a grandson. The applications are waiting for his sons to sign. Bill will then return the New Members Applications to Larry. The 131th SAR Congress delegates in Renton Washington voted to increase National Fees on new applications by \$20, Supplemental Applications \$40, effective July 15th, 2021. PineyWoods 51 New Applications are now \$196.00. Bill and Larry are working on a supplemental for Bill.

Registrar Stevens is working on a New Application for prospect Merv Hartwick. Merv's first choice for a Patriot Ancestor would not work, so, Larry found a 3rd (2nd was difficult). This application is nearly complete.

### New Members 2021

William O. King SAR # 217906 TX # 14584 15 JAN 2021 Henry J. Salisbury III SAR # 218844 TX # 14704 9 APR 2021

PineyWoods Chapter Membership—Regular—91 Junior-3 Dual-4 ————Total 98

### YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP CONTESTS

The Fall school year has started. Now is the time to contact schools in you area. Our Youth Scholarship information is on the Texas SAR Website. These can be copied and down loaded. Children of SAR Members are not excluded nor are Youth Members. They just need to meet the entry requirements. Last year we sponsored an Eagle Scott. Any of you in Scott Leadership roles can help enter an Eagle Scott. We have not had a JROTC Scholarship Entry from our chapter in years. We sponsor 37 (?) High Schools? We have had entries in the Essay Contest and they have been good. We have sponsored an Oration Contestant for 3 years in a row. So, please get involved with our Youth Contests.

# 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 Worm 2130 Lexford Lane, 2131 Houston, Tx 77080.

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