



The Cradle of Texas Crier
Cradle of Texas Chapter # 33
Sons of the American Revolution



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Michael J. Bailey, Editor

January

Next Meeting
January 12, 2013
11:30 a. m. at
On the River Restaurant

Speaker
Monica Wright, Curator
City of Freeport Historical Museum

The City of Freeport Historical Museum opened in September of 2009 and is located in the old Freeport Facts building in downtown Freeport. Ms. Wright will talk about the Museum's programs, exhibits and upcoming events.

Presidents Corner

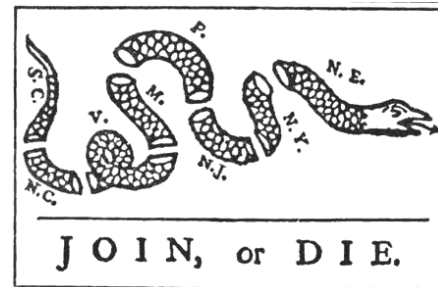
This is my last column as your president, and it has truly been a privilege to serve in that position. While I did not feel qualified for the job, I have enjoyed it very much. I believe that we have had a good 2+ years. Sadly, we had some very active members pass away during my term and we need some newer members to step up and fill the void. SAR has some very good programs that I hope that we can become more active in, among them the Youth Scholarships program, the Public Service Awards, and the Veterans Program.

I hope you can come to our chapter meeting on January 12th at On the River Restaurant in Freeport where we will be inducting our new officers. I wish all of

the new officers the best of luck in the coming year, and I will be available to assist you all in any way that I can.

I would also like to thank my wife Sue, for all of her assistance and support during my term.

Russell



MEETING MINUTES

Sons of the American Revolution
Cradle of Texas Chapter #33
December 8, 2012

President Russell Dart called the meeting to order at 11:48 a.m. at Smithhart's Texas Grill in Angleton. Michael Bailey led the chapter in the United States pledge of allegiance, the Texas pledge and the SAR pledge. George Easterling gave the invocation.

President Dart reported the following:

- Now is time to pay dues. On behalf of the State and National Societies, Russell thanked those who have already paid and asked that all dues be paid by the end of the year and, if possible, an extra contribution to the Patriot's Fund. The Patriot's Fund

goes toward expenses and scholarship awards for all the youth contests.

- A good slate of officers for 2013 has been selected. Russell wished them success and expressed confidence in them.
- Russell and Sue wished everyone a very happy Holiday Season and thanked everyone for their work for the chapter this year.

The minutes for the November meeting were approved upon the motion of George Easterling and second by Tillman Daniel.

Treasurer Arthur Evan reported disbursements of \$460.25 for last month's guest meal, JROTC medals, SAR medals and certificates. The November 30th balance was \$5,401.79.

Tillman Daniel presented the slate of officers listed below. There were no nominations from the floor. Winston Avera moved to elect all by acclamation. The motion was seconded by Michael Bailey and the vote was unanimous.

President - Michael Bailey
 Vice President - Donald Mudd
 Secretary - Winston Avera
 Treasurer - Arthur Evans
 Genealogist - Bill Sanders
 Chaplin - Rev. Stevens
 Color Guard - Frank Seidule
 Executive Committee - Tim Hall
 Executive Committee - Tillman Daniel

Doc Rice shared his disappointment in the SAR Societies general failure to recognize American veterans who have served since World War II. He asked that our chapter take the initiative by showing our admiration for these

veterans' sacrifices and by pushing TXSSAR to promote similar efforts in all chapters.

Michael Rees proudly announced that his son recently earned his Doctorate in Biophysics.

Winston Avera introduced our chapter's 2012 Law Enforcement Award winner, Lt. Sherman Hall, his wife, Karen, and daughter, Chassie, Rex and Becky McCall, retired department heads



of the Brazoria County Sheriff Department who recommended Lt. Hall for the award and Sheriff Charles Wagner. President Dart presented the Award metal and certificate.

Bill Sanders reported that he and Pat attended his 98 year old aunt's induction into the Rebecca Bryan Boone Chapter of DAR in Three Forks, Warren County, Kentucky. Also, Bill said that Dr. Garland Novasad has been reinstated to SAR, prospective member Christopher Wendell may be inducted in February and that his is working on four DAR and one CAR applications. He reminded everyone that payment of a Perpetual Membership may be spread over two years.



Janet Edwards shared her upcoming article for *Image* magazine on early Texian Jane Long's life in Brazoria County and her association with Stephen F. Austin. Of her many research sources; she praised Jack C. Ramsay and his *Texas Sinners & Revolutionaries: Jane Long and Her Fellow Conspirators*.

George Easterling gave the benediction.

President Dart adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Members Present - Russell Dart, George Easterling, Bill Sanders, Arnold Seidule, Michael Bailey, Thomas Mayerle, Tillman Daniel, Mike Rees, Chuck Bernard, Doc Rice, Arthur Evans, Cecil Ferguson, Donald Mudd and Winston Avera.

Guests Present - Judy Bernard, Sue Dart, Freda Daniel, Pat Sanders, Kay Mudd, Connie Avera, Becky & Rex McCall, Sheriff Charles Wagner, Janet & Roy Edwards, Sherman, Karen and Chassie Hall.

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This Month During The American Revolution

January 3, 1777

The Battle of Princeton



During the early morning hours of this day, Washington and his troops attacked the British rear guard at Princeton. Forty patriots and 275 British soldiers were killed during the battle. The Battle of Princeton was vital to boosting Washington's prestige and American morale.

www.nps.gov/revwar/revolution_day_by_day/1777_main.html



Next Meeting

On the River Restaurant and Catering

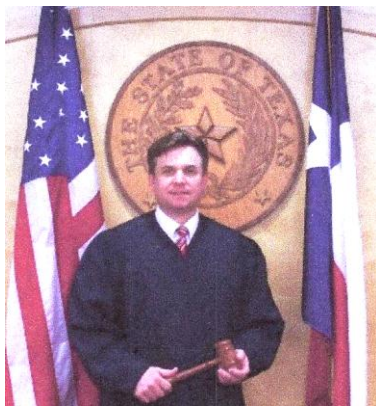
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February 2013



February's meeting will be on February 2, 2013; in Wharton, Texas. Starting at 11:00 a.m., meal at *Los Cucos Mexican Café*. The speaker will be County Judge Dr. Philip S. Spennath on "The History of Wharton County".



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