



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



Volume 17, Number 5 May 2014 Michael J. Bailey, Editor

May

Next Meeting
10 May, 2014
11:30 a.m.
The Wurst Haus
 102 This Way Street
 Lake Jackson, TX

Brazoria County Historical Commission, the Civil War Trust, and the Sons of Confederate Veterans. He has been reenacting the Civil War for almost two decades. He is also a founding member of the 15th Texas Living History Association and its current Captain.

PROGRAM
 Texas SAR President:
Bob Cohen

MEETING MINUTES
Sons of the American Revolution
Cradle of Texas Chapter #33
April 12, 2014


Bob Cohen was raised on a ranch in Southeastern Llano County, Texas in the Hill Country. He graduated from Llano High School and received BS, MS, and PhD degrees from Texas A&M University. While currently retired, he worked almost 40 years for the Texas A&M University System mostly for the Texas AgriLife Extension Service. He has served Texas SAR two years as Co-Chairman of the State Reports Committee, three years as State Secretary and more recently as President Elect and now President. He enjoys sports, woodworking, and music. He is married to Jane Watkins Cohen for more than Forty-five years, and they live in the Wellborn Community of College Station, Texas.

Vice-President Chuck Bernard called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. at Los Cucos in Wharton. Win Avera led the chapter in the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance, Texas Pledge and SAR Pledge. Bill Sanders gave the blessing for our meal.

The March 2014 Minutes were approved on a motion by Russell Dart and second by Arthur Evans.

Treasurer Arthur Evans reported the following financial activity of March:

General Fund	
Beginning Balance	
3/1/14	\$4,067.88
TXSAR	
Dues	
Rebate	\$513.00
Expenditures	
Ending Balance	
3/31/14	\$4,580.88
McAlexander Fund ¹	\$883.00
Total Bank Balance	\$5,463.88

 Leslie Pettigrew, of the Sons of Confederate Veterans has asked for a bit of time to talk about *The Brazoria County Marker Project*. Mr. Pettigrew is a member of many historical organizations to include the Levi Jordan Plantation, the

The financial report was approved on motion by Win Avera and a second by Russell Dart.

¹ Available for purchase of uniforms

Genealogist Bill Sander noted that he has twelve (12) applications in progress and that on May 29th he will be presenting a Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) Outstanding Cadet Award at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Wharton.

Russell Dart reported that of the five (5) JROTC units in our area that two (2) cadets wrote essays for the State JROTC Essay Contest. The Wharton cadet's essay won first prize and will be presented with \$2,500 by the State Chairman. The Pearland cadet's essay won second.

Arnold Seidule will be presenting the JROTC Outstanding Cadet Award to a Brazosport ISD cadet in May.

Doc Rice noted with frustration that TXSAR's Knight Essay Contest is not getting any entries.



Russell Dart received the TXSAR Distinguished Service Medal from State President Stephen Rohrbaugh at the March 28-30 state meeting in San Antonio for his outstanding and untiring work as State Vice-President for Americanism (awards, contest and medals programs). This award is the highest medal the state president can give. The TXSAR president can give only one (1) during his tenure.

Bill Sanders introduced Susan Roland Francis of Harlingen who through her dramatic impersonation of Ellen Hardin Walworth (1832-1915), told of Walworth's life. As an author, lawyer and activist



Walworth was one of the founders of the Daughters of the American Revolution and DAR's first secretary general. She was also the first editor of the DAR's *American Monthly Magazine*. At the Chicago World Fair in 1893 she championed the creation of the United States National Archives.

Chuck Bernard and Win Avera reviewed the upcoming events which include the following:

- April 26th - Mike Rees will receive an award at the Brazoria Historical Museum for performing such activities as his frequent, excellent portrayal of **Father Michael Muldoon**
- May 3rd - **Stephen F. Austin "Friend" Raiser at the SFA statue in Angleton**
- July 4th - American Independence Day
- August 16 - Battle of Medina remembrance.
- September 17th - Constitution Day remembrance in West Columbia, Louise and Angleton.
- November 11th - Veterans Day parade will be in Jones Creek. Bailey will begin making preparations for our participation soon.

The next meeting will be May 10th at Wurst Haus in Lake Jackson, Texas.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m. on motion by Donald Mudd, second by Arthur Evans.

Bill Sanders led the SAR recessional and gave the benediction.

Members Present - Bill Sanders, Russell Dart, Chuck Bernard, Ted Bates, Thomas Mayerle, Donald Mudd, Doc Rice, Arnold Seidule, Arthur Evans, Tillman Daniel, Barton Griffith, Larry Thacker and Winston Avera.

Guests Present - were Susan Roland Francs, Kavanaugh Francis, Sue Dart, Judy Bernard, Freda Daniel, Pat Sanders, Margie Griffith, Connie Avera, Carl Wiggins, Caroline Olson Wiggins, Raymond Beall, Glenda Beall, Kay Mudd, Carol Slaughter and Hazel Foltyn.

**This Month During
The American Revolution
MAY 15, 1781
ENGAGEMENT
AT
FORT GRANBY, SOUTH CAROLINA**



Fort Granby

“It is a strong frame building, two stories in height, and stands upon an eminence near the Charleston road, within three fourths of a mile of Friday’s

Ferry, upon the Congaree. It overlooks ancient Granby and the country around...Among the spoils of victory were two pieces of cannon, and a considerable quantity of ammunition, salt, and liquor. It was a glorious, because almost a bloodless victory, for no life was lost.”

THE PICTORIAL FIELD-BOOK OF THE REVOLUTION: Volume 2
By BENSON J. LOSSING
Published by Harper and Brothers: New York-1852: page 688

A 352-man Loyalist force commanded by Major Andrew Maxwell defends a fortified frame building rather eloquently named “Fort Granby.” Maxwell is known more for gathering plunder than any conspicuous military ability. A Patriot force commanded by Henry Lee assaults the position but Maxwell agrees to surrender providing he is allowed to maintain possession of his plunder. After some haggling, Lee agrees to the proposition and Maxwell departs the fort with two wagonloads of personal loot. A valuable position, with ammunition and provisions, falls to the Continentals without the loss of a man.

National Parks Service
American Revolution War Day-by-day
http://www.nps.gov/revwar/revolution_day_by_day/1781_main.html





SAR Chapter Members: left to right - Michael Rees, Tom Green, Author Evens III and Michael Bailey at the Stephen F. Austin Statue IN Angleton, Texas, on May 3, 2014 for Annual Friend Raiser.

Next Meeting
10 May, 2014
11:30 a.m.

Wurst Haus Restaurant
102 This Way Street
Lake Jackson, TX 77566
Phone: (979) 297-3003
www.wursthaus.net



2013 Officers of the Cradle of Texas Chapter #33

PRESIDENT- Michael Bailey
Ph. 979-848-3705
E-mail michjbailey@gmail.com

V.P. Vice-President - Chuck Bernard
Ph. (979) 345-2638
E-mail cwjaBernard@aol.com

SECRETARY - Win Avera
Ph. (979) 297-8340
E-mail averawc@sbcglobal.net

TREASURER- Arthur O. Evans III
Ph.979-532-5881
E-mail aoevans@hotmail.com

GENEALOGIST - Bill Sanders, Sr.
Ph. 979-6482955
E-mail bps@ykc.com

CHAPLAIN - Rev. L. L. Stevens
Ph. 979-297-4757
E-mail revllstevens@sbcglobal.net

COLOR GUARD CAPT.
Frank Seidule
Ph. 979-297-8849
E-mail seidule3@yahoo.com

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Tim Hall
Ph. 979-245-2217
E-mail timotheushall@hotmail.com

Dr. Tillman Daniel
Ph. 979- 245-6211
E-mail docdan31@sbcglobal.net

