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Next Meeting
11:30 a.m.
December 8, 2018
River Point Restaurant, Lake
Jackson, Texas.
Program: Intellectual Roots
Of the Constitution
By: David Sysma



David Sysma teaches U.S. and Texas history at Brazosport College. His M.A. thesis at Texas State University concerns San Angelo, Texas, and the development and management of that city's water resources. He was born in Washington, D.C. and his bachelor's degree is from the University of Maryland/College Park. From 1987 to 1995 he served in the United States Air Force, serving tours at the Pentagon and at Goodfellow Air Force Base.

He and Sherri Russell have been married for 27 years and they have one child, Eleanor. They have lived in Brazoria County since 2006, having previously lived in Waco, San Marcos, and San Antonio.

MEETING MINUTES
Sons of the American Revolution
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November 17, 2018

The Sons of the American Revolution met November 17, 2018 at Fat Grass Restaurant in Bay City, Texas. SAR President Ray Beall called the meeting to order at 11:37 a.m. Chaplain Michael Bailey gave the invocation and blessing for the meal, and Vice President Rodney Weems led the Chapter in the U.S., Texas and SAR pledges.

Introduction of Guests:

President Beall recognized Compatriots' wives and past presidents, new inductees Steven Drew Winters and his family and Dr. Max Royalty & his wife, Alice, and speaker, Larry Pearl.

Induction of New Compatriots:

Registrar Bill Sanders inducted Steven Drew Winters into the Sons of the American Revolution. Compatriot Winters' patriot ancestor is John Crabbe, Jr. of Virginia. Drew's mother, Jennifer Winters, pinned his rosette. Registrar Sanders presented Compatriot Winters with a tri-corn hat like those worn during colonial times. Drew is the great-grandson of Jack Newman.



Registrar Sanders inducted Dr. Max Leon Royalty of Lake Jackson, also. Dr. Royalty and his wife, Alice, a DAR member and Sanders have been working on Max's application for five (5) years using both DNA and professional genealogist to complete the necessary ancestry links. Alice pinned Max's rosette.



Get to Know Your Compatriot:

President Beall asked each compatriot to introduce themselves and tell who their patriot ancestor is.

Minutes:

Treasurer Nelson Leopold moved to accept the minutes as published in the Newsletter and Dr. Tillman Daniel seconded the motion.



Treasurer's Report:

GENERAL FUND

Beginning Balance
09/30/2018 \$3,516.59

Expenses - Supplies 0.00

Income - Interest Earned 0.95

GENERAL FUND

10/31/2018 \$3,131.48

MCALEXANDER FUND¹ \$900.00

Ending Balance

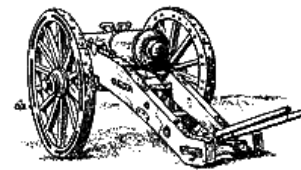
10/31/2018 \$4,031.48

Motion to accept the report was made by Rodney Weems and seconded by Sandy Weems.

Awards Presentation:

President Beall noted that Compatriot Thomas Slonek has been a member for 35 years. His certificate will be mailed to him. His fellow compatriots appreciate his continued support of SAR and its principles.

Texas Society SAR Treasurer Russell Dart attended the Fall Board of Managers Meeting and returned with two (2) National Society SAR Certificates for Chapter members. He presented Registrar Bill Sander with his second National Society SAR *Liberty Metal Certificate* and *Oak Leaf Cluster Medal*. The Liberty Medal is presented for recruiting ten (10) or more new members to the SAR in a year. The Oak Leaf Cluster Medal is presented for subsequent awards of the same kind.



¹ Funds available for purchase of uniforms for SAR Color Guards



The other award was the *Congress Certificate of Appreciation* for Webmaster Carl Wiggins for his service as a volunteer at the recent National Congress held in Houston.

Reports of Officers and Committees:

Registrar – Bill Sanders reported the following:

Applications approved – None

Applications waiting NSSAR approval –

Mark Hansen, John Andrew Wiggins

Applications actively working – 28

Webmaster – Highlights of Carl Wiggins' report was made by Winston Avera. These included the inclusion of the Austin's Colony which tells about the colonization of Mexican Texas by Stephen F. Austin and Texas Historical Commission Site Manager Bryan McCauley's overview of the new museum at San Felipe de Austin. Avera lauded our website's articles about the history of the USA and the Cradle of Texas Chapter and encouraged compatriots to visit these articles.

Education & Community Outreach – Chairman Rodney Weems called attention to SAR's youth contests from which new Compatriot Winters may benefit.

Memorial Committee - Chairman Michael Bailey presented the committee's proposal to offer families of deceased members a choice of two (2) SAR medallions which cost \$22.50 for cremains markers and \$100.00 for grave markers. For deceased spouses a donation of a minimum of \$50 her to her DAR chapter or her favorite charity. Nelson Leopold moved to accept the proposal and Jack Newman seconded it. The motion failed.

New Business:

President Beall noted that a nominating committee needed to be appointed for 2019 officers. Dr. Daniel pointed out that Chapter precedent was for the last three (3) presidents to be the committee. After some discussion, the committee was established as Dr. Daniel, Michael Bailey and Winston Avera.

President Beall informed everyone that one of our compatriots has threatened him and others this year and has subsequently been indicted for a felony. He asked the members in attendance if all 80+ Chapter members should be made aware. Winston Avera moved to notify all members and Michael Bailey seconded it. The motion was passed.

President Beall, also, shared that because of the previous threat that the Chapter had a police officer in attendance at this meeting for security. Sandy Weems made a motion to continue having a police officer at all meetings until a judgment is reached in the indicted compatriot's case. Nelson Leopold seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Program:

Larry Pearl, born in Oklahoma and now living in Pearland, is of Cherokee heritage. The Native American Cherokee are rich in tradition and have been a noble and notable part of the American landscape

since before European settlement of the Western Hemisphere. He told from the Cherokees perspective about his heritage and the 1838 Removal (Trail of Tears) from northern Georgia and Alabama to northern Oklahoma. The forced removal by U.S. Army and militia did not take place until the fall because the summer had been unusually hot. However, the fall and winter was extreme and about 5,000 of the 16,000 died from cold, starvation and diseases during the 1,000-mile journey. Prior to the Removal, Sam Houston had lived with the Cherokee as a teenager for two years and was sympathetic to the plight of Native American all his life.



NEXT SAR Meeting:

December 8, 2018, River Point Restaurant, Lake Jackson, Texas. The meeting will begin at 11:30 a.m.

SAR Recessional: Vice President Rodney Weems

Motion for Adjournment:

2:30 p.m. By: Michael Bailey, Second: Nelson Leopold; Motion passed

Benediction: Chaplain Michael Bailey

Members Present:

Bill Sanders, Dr. Max Royalty, Steven Drew Winters, Dr. Tillman Daniel, Russell Dart, Jack Newman, Michael Bailey, Nelson Leopold, Ray Beall, Rodney Weems, Ted Bates, Timothy Hall, Winston Avera

Guests Present:

Brenda Hanson, Mark Hanson, Larry Pearl, Melissa Newman, J.D. Newman, Pat Sanders, Alice Royalty, Jennifer Winters, Dana Lively, Connie Avera.

**This Month During
The American Revolution**

December 16 1773
The Boston Tea Party

I dressed myself in the costume of an Indian, equipped with a small hatchet, which I and my associates denominated the tomahawk, with which, and a club, after having painted my face and hands with coal dust in the shop of a blacksmith, I repaired to Griffin's wharf, where the ships lay that contained the tea When I first appeared in the street, after being thus disguised, I fell in with many who were dressed, equipped and painted as I was, and who fell in with me, and marched in order to the place of our destination. When we arrived at the wharf, there were three of our number who assumed an authority to direct our operations, to which we readily submitted.

We then were ordered by our commander to open the hatches and take out all the chests of tea and throw them overboard, and we immediately proceeded to execute his orders, first cutting and splitting the chests with our tomahawks, so as thoroughly to expose them to the effects

of the water. In about three hours from the time we went on board, we had thus broken and thrown overboard every tea chest to be found in the ship, while those in the other ships were disposing of the tea in the same way, at the same time. We were surrounded by British armed ships, but no attempt was made to resist us.

A RETROSPECT OF THE BOSTON TEA-PARTY: WITH A MEMOIR OF GEORGE R. T. HEWES...

By James Hawkes

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Valley Forge
Winter 1777-1778