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Cradle of Texas Chapter # 33

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Michael J. Bailey, Editor

January

Next Meeting
 13 January, 2024
 Swamp Shack
 111 Abner Jackson Parkway
 Lake Jackson, Texas
 Program:
 Induction of 2024 Officers
 by
 Sam P. Massey Jr.
 President Texas Society SAR



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 December 9 2023

I do acknowledge the UNITED STATES of AMERICA to be Free, Independent and Sovereign States, and declare that the people thereof owe no allegiance or obedience to George the Third, King of Great-Britain; and I renounce, refuse and abjure any allegiance or obedience to him; and I do that I will, to the utmost of my power, support, maintain and defend the said United States against the said King George the Third, his heirs and successors, and his or their abettors, assistants and adherents, and will serve the said United States in the office of which I now hold, with fidelity, according to the best of my skill and understanding.

Call the meeting to order; 11:32 a.m.
 Invocation - Chaplain Jim Leach
 Pledges: Secretary JD Humber

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: 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.

Pledge to the Texas Flag: Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one State under God, one and indivisible.

Pledge to the SAR Flag: 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.

Introduction of Guests:

Minutes - Additions or corrections to the November, 2023 Minutes as published in the December 2023 Newsletter.

Motion for Acceptance: By: Chris Wendel
Second: Rodney Weems

Treasurer's Report: Chris Wendel
General Fund (Classic checking)

Beginning Statement Balance
10/01/2023 \$4523.50

Income: Deposits:

Interest

10/31/2023 \$0.08

Total Income: \$0.08

Expense:

Ck.#1061

Fat Grass (March meeting) \$100.00

Ck.#1070

WAA - Matagorda WAA \$51.00

Ck.#1071

Angleton Cem. Assoc. WAA \$51.00

Total Expenses: \$202.00

Ending Account Statement Balance:

10/31/2023 \$4321.58

Outstanding Ck.#1072 WAA -

Wharton County \$51.00

Mc Alexander Fund (Main Share) ⁽¹⁾

Beginning Balance

10/01/2023 \$904.23

Income: Deposits:

Interest

10/31/2023 \$0.08

Total Income: \$0.08

Expense: None.

Ending Account Statement Balance:

10/31/2023 \$904.31

¹ Available for purchase of uniforms for SAR Color Guard Member

Total Combined Statement Balance -

10/31/2023 \$5225.89

Total Combined Bank Balance (register balance) \$5125.89

Program: Cynthia Armstrong The Matagorda County Museum

- The Matagorda County Museum is housed in the old Matagorda Post Office.

- In 1992, the Museum moved into the post office building.

- The museum has several different exhibits including"

o Mammoth Bones / Sea Shells from Matagorda Bay / Karankawa Indians /

o The French Explorer LaSalle / 1st cannon off LaSalle's ship / Ranching History

o Cattle Brands / Rice industry / Gusman Family History / Texas Art

o 17th century Christmas Nativity from Ecuador.

o AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS: (Carl Wiggins)

• Cynthia Armstrong-Chapter Certificate of Appreciation

• 5-Yr. Membership Anniversary Certificate-Thomas M. Wiggins, Richard M. Hansen

• 40 - Yr. Membership Anniversary Certificate - Thomas Slonek

Reports of Officers & Committees:

- Registrar - David Garza: Applications Appr 2; Awaiting Appr2;
- Webmaster - Carl Wiggins
- Community Outreach/Education - Rodney Weems
- Color Guard - Michael Bailey

OLD BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee's Recommendations for 2024 chapter officers:

President: Bill Griffiths

Vice-President: David Garza

Secretary: J. D. Humber

Chaplain: Jim Leach

Registrar Emeritus: Bill Sanders

Historian: Michael Bailey

Motion for Acceptance: By: Chris

Wendel Second: Jim Leach

New Business: Election of 2024 Officers

Correspondence: None

Upcoming Events:

16 December 2023

Wreathes Across America

Chapter sponsors wreaths

25 December 2023

Christmas Day Family

Next Meeting: January 13, 2025, Swamp Shack, Lake Jackson, TX. Installation of officers

SAR Recessional: 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.

Motion for Adjournment

By: Carl Wiggins Second: Chris Wendel

Benediction: Chaplain Jim Leach

Compatriot Members Present:

Carl Wiggins / Bill Griffiths / Winston Avera / Chris Wendel / Ted Bates / J.D. Humber, II / Everett Humber / David Garza / Jim Leach / Rodney Weems / Chris Barbee / Bill Sanders /

Guests Present:

Kenny Williams / Carroll Griffiths / Connie Avera / Daniel Dittrich / Elaine Dittrich / Cynthia Armstrong



Varner-Hogg SHS Annual Candlelight Christmas



**Next Meeting
13 January, 2024
11:30 a.m.**

**Swamp Shack
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Lake Jackson, Texas
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Thanks to all Chapter Members who came out to honor America's Veterans.



Michael Bailey giving a lecture at the Lake Jackson Historical Museum (Lake Jackson, Texas) on Christmas in Early Texas.