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Cradle of Texas Chapter # 33

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Next Meeting

11:30 a.m.

October 11, 2025

Up Town Grill

1802 N Mechanic Street

El Campo, Texas

<https://www.uptowngrill.com>

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Sept. 13, 2025

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Meeting Minutes

1. Call To Order

President David Garza called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

2. Invocation

Chaplain Jim Leach

3. Pledges and Mission Statement:

President Garza led pledges to the United States, Texas, and SAR flags, and led the SAR Mission Statement.

4. Introduction of Guests: None

5. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Chris Wendel reported the following...

General Fund Activity

May 1-Aug. 31, 2025

5/01/2025

Beginning balance \$1,813.57

Income: \$2011.83

Expenses (includes
outstanding checks):

(\$2,408.76)

8/31/2025

Ending balance: \$1,416.64

McAlexander Fund (Main
Share) Activity May 1-Aug. 31,
2025

5/01/2025

Beginning balance: \$905.67

Income: \$0.31

Expenses: \$0.00

8/31/2025

Ending balance: \$905.98

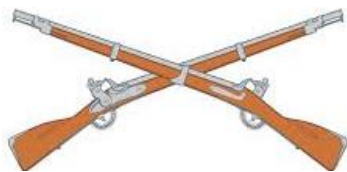
TEXIAN NAVY ART



Windsor Star February 23, 2016

Dr. Peter Rindlisbacher

Renowned marine artist known all over North America. He is an Admiral in the Texas Navy, racing sailor, model builder, and historical naval re-enactor.



6. **Program:** President Garza used the program time to discuss with members present the future of our chapter going forward. Frequency of meetings was the focus. Shall we continue meeting monthly with the exception of certain months such as summer, or go to semi-monthly or even quarterly? While no decision was made as it was not an agenda item, the majority seemed to be in favor of quarterly meetings. Carl Wiggins suggested that if we go to a fewer meetings schedule that a greater effort be made by members to attend the state convention.
7. **Awards and Recognitions:** None, but Carl Wiggins asked about the status of anniversary certificates. President Garza said he has them and needed secretary signatures on a few of them, and that members who could be located would either be hand-delivered or mailed.
8. **Reports of Officers & Committees:**
Registrar: Bill Sanders gave a report, but the secretary failed to write it down. He did say there is a new Texas SAR Coastal Registrar, Gary Neal of San Marcos, a member of San Antonio Chapter #4. He was previously State Registrar for the Maryland Society.
9. **Old Business:** President Garza again encouraged members to verify their personal information on the SAR national website. He said he would email information on how to do so.
10. **New Business:** It was reported that two members, David E. Hall and Douglas Rhodenbaugh, had died in recent months.
11. **SAR Recessional** led by Secretary Chris Barbee.

12. **Benediction** given by Chaplain Leach, followed by Adjournment.

Attendance:

Members: Chris Barbee, Jim Leach, Carl Wiggins, Bill Sanders Jr., David Garza, Chris Wendel, Rodney Weems, Dr. William Griffiths, and Sandy Weems.

Guests: Carroll Griffiths.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Annual Dues

Have you remembered to pay yet? It is through your memberships and donations that the SAR can preserve our heritage.



<https://america250sar.com>



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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in January 1836, the first Texas Navy, the official navy of the Republic of Texas, consisted of four hastily purchased and minimally equipped schooners: Invincible, Brutus, Independence, and Liberty; and

WHEREAS, under the command of Commodore Charles Edward Hawkins, the first Texas Navy helped win the Republic of Texas Independence by preventing a Mexican blockade off the Texas coast, seizing ships laden with war supplies destined for Mexico. The Texas Navy was able confiscate and supply much needed materials to the Texan forces; and

WHEREAS, by October 1837, all four ships had been lost at sea, sunk by the Mexican Navy, run aground, captured, or sold; and

WHEREAS, in 1839, Mexico's continued refusal to acknowledge the independence of the Republic of Texas, the Texas Congress acquired six new vessels to become the second Texas Navy; and

WHEREAS, Texas annexation incorporated The Republic of Texas into the United States and as a result, in 1846 the Texas Navy merged with the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, the story of the hardship and savage fighting of those small fleets of battered ships and intrepid seamen was largely forgotten until the third Texas Navy was established as a commemorative organization by Governor Price Daniel in 1958; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, the 63rd Texas Legislature passed a resolution that ratified the Texas Navy as an official state organization, devoted to preserving the history of the three Navies of Texas; and


WHEREAS, and as directed by Texas Government Code Title 6, Subtitle B, Section 662.052 "(a) The third Saturday in September of each year is Texian Navy Day in remembrance of the Texian Navy. (b) Texian Navy Day shall be regularly observed by appropriate ceremonies and activities."

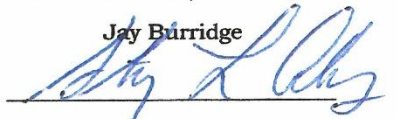
NOW, THEREFORE, Brazoria County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim September 21, 2025 as


TEXIAN NAVY DAY

as we Commemorate, Celebrate, Educate, Honor and Support the Texas Men of Iron, Sailing in their Ships of Wood.


APPROVED this 9th day of September, 2025.

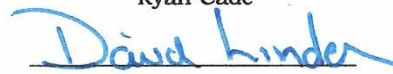

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Brazoria County Commissioners Issue Proclamation for Constitution Day

Rodney Weems, Past President Cradle of Texas Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, Bartlett Ramsey President, Asa Underwood Chapter National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Michael Bailey, Past President Cradle of Texas Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution



The Surrender of British Forces Yorktown, Virginia October 19, 1781

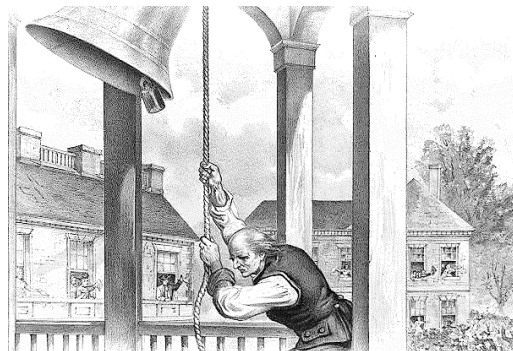


Oil on canvas by John Trumbul- 1820

**Bells Across America
September 17, 2025
Constitution Day
West Columbia, Texas**



Images from The Facts 17 September, 2025



BRAZORIA COUNTY VETERANS DAY PARADE

Tuesday – November 11, 2025

★ Veterans Breakfast

7:00am – 9:00am
Alvin Senior Center
309 West Sealy St, Alvin, TX 77511

★ Parade Lineup

10:00am
Staton's Shopping Center Parking Lot
219 N Taylor St, Alvin TX 77511

★ Parade

11:00am – Parade Begins
12:30pm – Ends back at Staton's

★ Ceremony

FREE HOTDOGS will be served 12:30pm-1:00pm
1:00pm – Ceremony Begins
National Oak Park
118 S Magnolia St, Alvin, TX 77511

Attendee Tips:

- To ensure seating, please bring your own lawn chair
- Parking is limited at the Senior Center, so please park near National Oak Park & take the shuttle to enjoy breakfast & the parade



**QR CODE TO
REGISTER FOR
THE PARADE**

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

For more information contact:
Sonya Broadway 979-864-1537
John Jasso 979-824-1198

Donations can be made to Military Order of the Purple
Heart, Brazoria County Chapter #867
Sponsored by The American Legion Post 129



October is Texas Archaeology Month

Old Velasco/Surfside Beach Historical Committee

Presents

CHEROKEE HERITAGE

PRESENTED BY

LARRY PEARL



Saturday, October 18, 2025

2:00 p.m.

Surfside City Hall

1304 Monument Drive

Surfside Beach, Texas

The event is free and open to the public.

Light refreshments will be provided.

For more information, contact: Robert Bradley, President OV/SBHC
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