



Agenda

William Hightower #35 TXSSAR

11 Feb 2016

President: Stuart G. Hoyt
Vice President: Steven R. Polk, LG
Secretary: Open
Parliamentarian: Clifford L. Caskey

Treasurer: Terry Hardeman
Registrar: Patrick D. Hollis, Dr.
Chaplain: Jerry M. Bullock

Thursday, 11 Feb 2016, regular meeting at the Granzin's Bar-B-Q, 660 West San Antonio Street, New Braunfels, TX 78130.

The man, known as the “Father of his country”, was born in Westmoreland County, Virginia on February 11, 1732. That was not a typo. England was under the Julian calendar at the time of George Washington’s birth. It was not until England changed to the Gregorian calendar, in 1752, that Washington would choose to celebrate his birthday on February 22. George always wanted to entertain life in military service. His half brother, Lawrence, convinced him that a life at sea was the way to go but his mother would not hear of it and put her foot down when he insisted on joining the Royal Navy. He did enjoy adventure so when the opportunity arose to join a surveying expedition into the Virginia wilderness, he was eager to go. He joined the Virginia militia in 1753 and was commissioned a Major. One of his tasks was to supervise the building of a fort, which was called Fort Necessity. It was completed in June of 1754 and the French captured it in July of that year. Because of his knowledge of the Virginia wilderness, Washington was asked to join General Braddock, in March of 1755, in the campaign against the French held Ft. Duquesne. It was in this battle that General Braddock lost his life and Washington gained his fame as a military leader. Washington was elected to the Second Continental Congress and chose to wear his militia uniform. It was at a session on June 14, 1775 that John Adams stood and made a speech to have a combined army and nominated George Washington as Commander-in-Chief. He was unanimously elected the next day and sent on his way to command the army that had surrounded the British in Boston. It was not until eight years later that he resigned that commission and retired to do his first love, living the life of a Virginia planter. History knows that he was not forgotten.

Social Hour: 6 to 7PM

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Business meeting: 7 to 8PM

- I. Call to order: President Hoyt
- II. Invocation: Chaplain: Jerry Bullock
- III. Pledges to the Flags
 - a. U.S. Flag
 - b. Texas Flag
 - c. S.A.R. Flag
- IV. Introductions:
 - a. Special Guests
 - b. Chapter members
- V. Oration Contest and Awards recognition.
- VI. SAR Awards Presentation:
 - a. Veterans/War awards
 - b. New member induction
- VII. Old Business:
 - a. Approval of Jan 2015 minutes.
 - b. Approval of the Treasurer's Report – Feb
 - c. Historian: history update and newsletter.
 - d. Registrar's Report
 - e. Committees: Essay, Oratory, ROTC, Color Guard, Events and Flag.
- VIII. Nominations Committee report:
- IX. New Business:
 - a. President's Comments
 - b. First qtr. By-Law requirements
 - i. Appoint an Audit Committee
 - ii. Prepare the budget for the 2016/17 session
 - iii. Prepare the goals for the 2016/17 session
- X. Benediction: Chaplain Jerry Bullock
- XI. Recessional
- XII. Adjournment: next meeting is 10 Mar 2016 at Granzin's.