



Agenda William Hightower #35 TXSSAR 13 Apr. 2017

President: Stuart G. Hoyt

Vice President: Steven R. Polk, LG

Secretary: Ed Blauvelt

Treasurer: Stan Trull

Registrar: Michael Pryor

Chaplain: Jerry M. Bullock

Parliamentarian: Clifford L. Caskey

Thursday, 13 Apr. 2017, regular meeting at the Granzin's Bar-B-Q, 660 West San Antonio Street, New Braunfels, TX 78130.

The month of April was a decisive month in the annals of the history of the American Revolution. The weather was improving enough to start the campaign season. Although many engagements were initiated in the spring, some of the more decisive battles were won late in the fall and Trenton and Princeton, in the dead of winter. The loss at Yorktown sealed the fate of the British roll in the thirteen colonies. The British people had had their fill of this war and were interested in its coming to a speedy conclusion. The negotiator in Paris had other plans. They were dragging out the process to maximize their position in obtaining all the advantages that this treaty would allow. They were still in New York and had forts along the Ohio River. In the end, they acknowledged the United States as a separate nation but not much else. They finally evacuated in November of 1783. Although this war was called a revolution because the colonies were declaring their independence from the mother country, it was a civil war between colonists in many places. The Loyalists were engaging those rebelling neighbors to insure their allegiance with the crown. There was distrust and pure hatred built up. When the British lost, these Tories or Loyalist were outcasts. A large group of 7000 of them sailed out of NYC on 26 Apr. 1783.

Social Hour: 6 to 7PM

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Business meeting: 7 to 8

- 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. Potential chapter members
- V. SAR Awards Presentation:
 - a. Awards, Military Service or Chapter, Ed Gunter, and Tom Richey, Sr.
 - b. Recognition of our Vietnam Era Vets – Ed Gunter
 - c. New member induction – The Nelson's, Aaron, Cory, and Jason
 - d. Special "Broken Arrow" for Lou Segaloff
- VI. Old Business:
 - a. Approval of Mar 2017 minutes.
 - b. Approval of the Treasurer's Report – Apr
 - c. Historian: history update
 - d. Registrar's Report
 - e. Committees: Essay, Oratory, ROTC, Color Guard, Events and Flag.
- VII. New Business:
 - a. President's Comments
 - i. Introduction of officers for 2017 and grooming new members
 - ii. Mar. Officer Induction and 2017 Budget approval.
 - iii. March 29 through April 2 is the TXSSAR Annual Conference in San Antonio. – Time permitting – awards and child protection training.
 - iv. April was Folkfest 8/9 and a special SAR grave dedication in Liberty Hill on the 8th. We do 11 ROTC presentations in Apr/May.
 - v. May is Scholarship month and Memorial's to our Vet's who have passed.
- VIII. The quarterly Executive Board recommended chapter shirts or coats
- IX. Benediction: Chaplain Jerry Bullock
- X. Recessional
- XI. Adjournment: next meeting is 11 May 2017 at Granzin's.