



Agenda William Hightower #35 TXSSAR 9 Mar. 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, 9 Mar. 2017, regular meeting at the Granzin's Bar-B-Q, 660 West San Antonio Street, New Braunfels, TX 78130.

The Road to Guilford Courthouse, 18 Mar. 1781, was a long and arduous one filled with surprises and disappointments. The war in the thirteen colonies moved from the north to the south in late 1779. Charleston was under siege in Mar. of 1780. The British sent a young cavalry officer named Banastre Tarleton, to cut off the flow of reinforcements at Monck's Corner. He caught the rebels at night. It was a bloody massacre. He pursued them to Lenud's Ferry and caught them by surprise, again. Shortly after, Ft. Moultrie fell and then the city. Tarleton doggedly pursued Col. Buford's Virginians and surprised them in the backcountry. It was another slaughter. Gen. Horatio Gates, Hero of Saratoga, took command of the south and lost his fame at the Battle of Camden. He was replaced by Gen. Nathaniel Greene, who split his forces. He sent Col. Morgan out to harass the British. In the meantime, Major Patrick Ferguson led southern loyalists on their own harassment program. They pushed the rebel Mountain Men too far and met their demise at King's Mountain. Tarleton cornered Morgan at The Cowpens and was defeated. Cornwallis chased Morgan almost to Virginia where Greene confronted him at Guilford Courthouse. Although Cornwallis won the ground, he had to retreat to Yorktown, his demise.

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. New member induction – The Nelson’s, Aaron, Cory, and Jason
- VI. Old Business:
 - a. Approval of Feb 2017 minutes.
 - b. Approval of the Treasurer’s Report – Mar
 - c. Motion to approve distribution of scholarship monies.
 - d. Historian: history update and newsletter name winner.
 - e. Registrar’s Report
 - f. Committees: Essay, Oratory, ROTC, Color Guard, Events and Flag.
 - g. Proclamation Committee results. – Joe Cox
- VII. Selection Committee – status update– Joe Cox
- VIII. Annual Budget – review and approval – Stan Trull
- IX. New Business:
 - a. President’s Comments
 - i. Introduction of officers for 2017 and grooming new members
 - ii. Feb. was G. Washington parade and Proclamations..
 - iii. March 29 through April 2 is the TXSSAR Annual Conference in San Antonio.
 - iv. April is Folk Fest 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.
- X. The quarterly Executive Board meeting was held 4 Mar. at Jerry Bullock’s.
- XI. Benediction: Chaplain Jerry Bullock
- XII. Recessional
- XIII. Adjournment: next meeting is 13 Apr. 2017 at Granzin’s.