February 2, 2016

Upshur County Patriots Camp 2109

Minutes from regular meeting held January 5, 2016

Members present: Eugene Brown, Leland Davis, Mark Davis, Phil Davis, Kim Duffey, Jamie Eitson, Rickie Gipson, A. L. Hass Jr, Ronnie Hill, James Jones, George Linton, Don Loyd, Mack McLendon, Joseph Moss, Milt Ojeman, Bill Palmer, David Palmer, Michael Pepper, Eddie Pricer, Butch Raglan Thomas Ray, Mathew Roach, Bill Starnes, Larry Bruce Swinney

Guest: Larry Joe Reynolds, Rex McGee, Esther Linton, Karla Jones, Jane Davis, John Hanisee, Ben Adkison, Derrick Davis, Harley Davis

Meeting called to order by Commander Eddie Pricer

Commander Pricer welcomed guest

Opening prayer led by Chaplain Jamie Eitson Pledges to USA & Texas flags & salute to Confederate flag led by Color Sgt Kim Duffey Charge to Sons of Confederate Veterans given by Adjutant Rickie Gipson Minutes & financial report given by Adjutant Gipson & were approved

Old Business: None

New Business:

New camp officers sworn by Commander Pricer

Mrs Mark Davis won drawing for miniball plaque & someone from Longview won knife

Commander Larry Joe Reynolds won a drawing for a shotgun at the Red Diamond Camp

New camp member Mark Davis was sworn in by Commander Pricer. Larry Harper led in a salute to Confederate Brotherhood

Transfer of camp commander took place as past Commander Eddie Pricer presented new camp commander Phil Davis with the commander pin. Past Commander Pricer expressed his appreciation for their work when he was camp commander

Commander Davis said there were 407 guardians now on file. Commander Davis presented guardian certifates to Milt Ojeman, Larry Harper & George Linton

Larry Joe Reynolds commander of the David Reynolds camp, Mt. Plesant said that every member of their camp committed themselves to be guardians for every confederate grave in Titus Col!! Commander Reynolds presented Kim Duffey with a CSA service certificate, bar & medal

George Linton is the new commander of NE Texas Colorguard. Commander George displayed a new magnetic sign made in memory of Paul Hamilton. Said sign is to be used in all camp activities

Commander Linton announced upcoming Mardi Gras parade in Jefferson, Txon February 6th, 2016. Said muster at 1:00pm---parade starts at 2:00pm. Said our camp won 1st place in the Ore City Christmas parade.

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Continuation of minutes from January meeting

Third LTC Bill Starnes introduced camp member Michael Pepper who brought a very good program on uniforms worn during the War For Southern Independance. Michael displayed & spoke on the different uniforms, the material they were made of & the different colors. Said most soldiers did not like to wear issued uniforms. They preferred homemade uniforms. The ladies were paid for making these uniforms. The wearing of confiderate uniforms was outlawed by the federal government after the war ended.

Larry Reynolds spoke on remembering postwar reconstruction which started 150 years ago

Meeting closed with prayer & the singing of "Dixie"

Door prize money--\$56.00 "Jar"--\$11.00

Rickie Gipson Adjutant