

April 5, 2016

Upshur County Patriots camp 2109

Minutes from regular meeting held March 1, 2016

Members present: Dick Brassell, Eugene Brown, Leland Davis, Phil Davis, Kim Duffey, Jamie Eitson, Rickie Gipson, Larry Harper, Archie Hass, Mark Hass, Ronnie Hill, James Jones, Jared Jones, Justin Jones, George Linton, Don Loyd, Mack McLendon, Joseph Moss, Milt Ojeman, Bill Palmer, David Palmer, Michael Pepper, James Plumley, Eddie Pricer, Mathew Roach, Bill Starnes, Larry Bruce Swinney and Cadet Austin Moss

Guest: Ben Adkison, Karla Jones, Esther Linton, Rick "Bear" Umfleet, Mike Kerr, Clinton Kerr, Brent Day, Billy Johnson

Opening prayer led by Chaplain Larry Harper

Pledges to US @ Texas flags and salute to the Confederate flag led by Color Sgt Justin Jones

Third LTC Bill Starnes introduced camp member Thomas Ray as the program giver for the evening. Thomas gave on food for the common soldiers during the war between the states. Said food came thru various ways--distribution thru regular channels, from families at home, charitable organizations, forging and much was captured from the enemy. Especially toward the end of the war it seemed that the south had a shortage of food. But a shortage was not the problem--an inadequate way to distribute the food was the real problem. Crackers or Hard Tack was a common staple. The trading of goods with the enemy was common. The south traded tobacco for coffee from the north. Thanks for the good program Thomas

Regular meeting was called to order by Commander Phil Davis

Old business

Chautauqua Celebration at Longview Public Library will be April 16, 2016. Wear uniforms/period dress

New business

Voted to accept new camp members Dick Brassell and James Plumley

Reports

Esther Linton==no report

Karla Jones--UDC--Next meeting April 2nd, guest speaker and a silent auction---RSVP

Commander Davis gave the guardian report. He presented six(6) guardian certificates to George Linton

Past Commander Medal was presented to Eddie Pricer by Commander Davis

NE Texas Brigade Second LTC George Linton presented Paul Hamilton color guard certificates of rank to the following: Ronnie Hill==1st Corporal; Larry Harper==2nd Sgt Battery;

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Otter Hass==Musician:Michael Pepper==2nd Sgt Co A==Clint Kirk==2nd Sgt C I==George Linton==1st Sgt

George presented the following with medals & window stickers in recognition of their help with programs/ceremonies in the past: Phil Davis, Eddie Pricer, Ben Adkison, Charles Chumley, Kim Duffey, John "Smitty" Smith, David Palmer, "Bear Umfleet", Austin Moss, Joseph Moss, Mathew Roach

George gave report on upcoming events. Check with him for list of events

Commander Davis said he was taking flag orders

Donations for granite brick are being taken \$1.00 for one opportunity to receive the brick & \$5.00 for six opportunities

Kim Duffey gave report on grave registration program

After door prize drawings led by Quartermaster Joseph Moss meeting was closed with prayer led by Chaplain Harper & the singing of "Dixie" led by Jamie Eitson

Door Prize Donations==\$40.00

"Jar"==27.00

Rickie Gipson==Adjutant