

APRIL 7, 2013

UPSHUR COUNTY PATRIOTS CAMP 2109

Minutes of meeting held March 3, 2015

Members present, James Barham, Leland Davis, Phil Davis, Kim Duffey, Jamie Eitson, Rickie Gipson, Larry Harper, Archie Hass Jr, Wayne Hastings, Ronnie Hill, James Jones Jared Jones, Justin Jones, George Linton, Chris Loyd, Don Loyd, Rex Mcgee, Mack Mclendon, Milt Ojeman, Bill Palmer, David Palmer, Jerry Jenkins, Eddie Pricer, Butch Ragland, Joe Reynolds, Mathew Roach, Bill Starnes, Larry Bruce Swinney

Guest: Keesie Reynolds, Johnnie Holley, Norma Holley, Sam Mercer, Eddie Turner, Ben Adkison, James Still, Charles Hayes, Lance Teubner, Mark Davis, Leslie Lawrence, Karla Jones, Helen Muller, Billie Johnson, Esther Linton, Rick "Bear"

Meeting called to order by Camp Commander Eddie Pricer

Opening prayer--Chaplain Jamie Eitson  
Pledges & Salute to flags led by Color Sgt Kim Duffey  
Charge to Sons of Confederate Veterans given by Adjutant Rickie Gipson  
Minutes and financial report given by Adjutant Gipson.

Guest welcomed by Commander Pricer

Joe Reynolds camp website director still needs several camp member's confederate ancestor reports

Texas State Commander Johnnie Holley spoke on the following:

need to send letters to congressmen in regard to changing Confederate Heros Day (a Texas holiday) from Jan.19 to a day in May and call it civil war remembrance day---This bill needs to be Killed

On March 23rd the Supreme <sup>Court</sup> will decide on the issue of our confederate license plate Majority of funds have been raised for the saving of the Jefferson Powder magazine volunteers will be needed for manpower for work at magazine site

Brigade Commander Sam Mercer said dedication for the children of the confederacy monument will be in Palestine, Tx Sat. March 14th at 11:00am. Sam said Camp Ford in Tyler activities will be March 25th starting around 10:00am. Also said the month of April will be confederate history month at the Gregg County Historic Museum in Tyler

State OCR president Norma Holley said they will be having a silent auction with all proceeds going to the Texas SCV--They are asking for donation of items to be auctioned off

Phil Davis director of Guardian Program said he had 3 new member making a total of 363 statewide

David Palmer <sup>presented</sup> his father Bill Palmer who is a real grandson of a confederate veteran a tee shirt with the SCV logo on it

Eddie Turner camp guest and Ike Fluellen are working on the restoration of two(2) old Gilmer area cemeteries. Our camp members need to volunteer to help on this project

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Continuation of Camp minutes

Bill Starnes introduced Charles Hayes as speaker for the evening. Charles is a lifetime SCV member in the Douglas Camp. Charles gave a program on Personalities of the war for southern independence by showing of animated drawing of these certain personalities involved in the war along with comical limericks used to bring out certain facts in regard to said personalities. Charles has written a book intitled "The Blue and the Gray". very good program.

After drawings for door prizes (donations were \$28.00) meeting was closed with prayer by Chaplain Eitson and singing of "Dixie"

Rickie Gipson---Adjutant