

May 5, 2015

Upshur County Patriots Camp 2109

Minutes from meeting held April 7, 2015

Members present: Leland Davis, Phil Davis, Kim Duffey, Jamie Eitson, Rickie Gipson, Larry Harper, A L Hass Jr, Ronnie Hill, James Jones, George Linton, Chris Loyd, Rex Mcgee, Mack Mclendon, Milt Ojeman, Bill Palmer, David Palmer, Eddie Pricer, Joe Reynolds, Jimmy Rieves, Larry Bruce Swinney

Guests: Keesie Reynolds, James Still, Harley Davis, Rick Umfleet, Esther Linton, Tommy L Reynolds, Michael Pepper, Mike Dorsey, Sandy Dorsey, Tony Wilburn, Cody Wilburn, Ben Adkisor Sam Mercer, Daniel Stevens, Andy Riley, Karla Jones

Meeting was called to order by Commander Eddie Pricer

Opening prayer led by Chaplain Jamie Eitson

Pledges to US & Texas flags & salute to the Confederatate Flag led by Color Sgt Kim Duffey

Charge to the sons of confederate veterans given by Adjutant Rickie Gipson

Minutes & financial report given by Adjutant Gipson and were approved

Joe Reynolds still needs web site biographies for camp members Confederate ancestors

Camp Committe chairman are as follows:

Recruitment-----David ~~Parker~~ *Palmer*

Cemetery/grave registration-----Kim Duffey

Fund rasing-----Joe Reynolds

Gilmer City Counsel is looking for volunteers to help with the clean up project at the old Mings Cemetery next Tuesday April 14, 2015. There are several confederate graves in the cemetery

Brigade Commander Sam Mercer of the John Gregg Camp is looking for Volunteers to help at the Greeg County Historic Museum in Longview for Confederate History Month April thru May 2nd. Times needed are Tuesday thru Friday 10:00am thru 4.00pm & Sat. 10:00am thru 2pm

NE Texas 2nd Ltc George Linton spoke on upcomming events

Karla Jones of UDC reminded everyone of May meeting. Karla introduced her guest who were her daughter & son-in-law & grandchild

First Commander Phil Davis said that there were now a total of 359 guardians in the state Guardianship Program

New camp member Bill Palmer a real grandson of a confederate veteran was sworn in to camp and presented with a real grandson medal & certificate by Brigade Commander Sam Mercer

Commander Eddie Pricer & Joe Reynolds introduced the Purple Heart Medal program for camp members with wounded confederate veterans.

Motion & second that our camp undertate the Purple Heart Medal program. motion passed
Motion & second that our camp purchase a one time 1/4 page ad in the Confederate Veteran Magazine for the amount of \$200.00 Ad will be full colored. motion passed

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Continuation of April 2nd camp meeting

Motion & second that our camp reimburse Joe Reynolds the initial purchase of Purple Heart Medals & related cost in the amount of \$552.42 by utilizing the proceeds from the sale of medals until such time as the debt is paid. motion passed

Camp member Kim Duffey gave the evening program entiled "To The Moon & Back". Kim spoke on his ancestors the Armstrongs & Duffeys. One of his relatives was Neil Armstrong the first man to walk on the moon's surface. Kim passed out cards with his confederate ancestors names and had a roll call of said ancestors. Kim's program was an attention getter & GREAT Way to go Kim

After door prize drawings(donations were \$42.00) meeting was closed with prayer by Chaplain Eitson and the singing of "Dixie"

Rickie Gipson---Adjutant