January 6, 2015

Upshur County Patriots Camp 2109

Minutes from meeting held November 4, 2014

Members present: Leland Davis, Phil Davis, Kim Duffey, Jamie Eitson, Rickie Gipson, Paul Hamilton, Archie Hass Jr., Ronnie Hill, James Jones, George Linton, Don Loyd, Mack McLendon, David Palmer, Eddie Pricer, Butch Ragland, Joe Reynolds, Matthew Roach, Bill Starnes, Dan Stevens, Larry Bruce Swinney

Guest; Ester Linton, Jim Bell, Mike Humes, J.E. "Smitty" Smith, Larry M. Harper, Donna Stotts, Johnnie Holley, Norma Holley

Meeting called to order by Commander Eddie Pricer

Opening prayer led by Jamie Eitson Pledges to the US & Texas flags & salute to the Confederate flag led by Ronnie Hill Charge to The Sons of Confederate Veterns given by Adjutant Rickie Gipson Minutes & financial report read by Adjutant Gipson and were approved

Old Business

Commander Pricer reminded those who have not completed their biographies on camp web site for their confederat ancestors to do so. Give web site director Joe Reynolds your e-mail address

New Business

Commander Pricer thanked those who helped with the Yamboree booth. Our own camp member Leland Davis won the drawing for the Bowie knife replica

Commander Pricer passed out food, etc sign up sheet for the camp annual Christmas party on December 2, 2014 at 7:00PM at the Walking 'S' Steakhouse

Those who will be participating in the Upshur County Christmas parade on December 5, 2014 were asked to muster on the lot on Titus street south & across from the Gilmer Nat'l Bank

Normar Holley OCR said a chapter for Children of Confederate Veterans is in the Planning stages

A guardianship medal was presented to Texas Division Commander Johnnie Holley by George Linton 5th Brigade 2nd Ltc & our camp 1st Ltc Phil Davis, Guardian program chairman

First Ltc Phil Davis who is on the board of directors of the Historic Upshur Museum said the museum has started a window adoption program for window repairs at the museum Motion & second that our camp adopt one window for the 100.00

Commander Pricer asked those who intend to help with the Ford family cemetery work to meet Saturday November 8th between 9&9:30pm at said cemetery located behind the house at 727 Pine st Gilmer, Texas

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Cash & canned good donations asked for for our annual Christmas Basket Program. Motion and second to name this program the Upshur County Patriot "Boogie" Feagin Memorial Christmas Basket Program. motion passed.

Brigade Color Sgt Commander Paul Hamilton was recognized for his transfer from the Walter P. Lane camp to our camp

Electon of Camp officers

Jack Hamil asked to step down as Chaplain due to Medical problems & other issues. Jamie Eitson was elected to replace Jack as Chaplain

Motion & second to reelect current unoppesed officers including Camp Commander Eddie Pricer motion carried

Kim Duffey was elected to replace Jared Jones as Color Sergeant

The following is a list of camp officers for a new year:

CommanderEddie Pricer
First LtcPhil Davis
Second LtcDon Loyd
Third LtcBill Starnes
AdjutantRickie Gipson
ChaplainJamie Eitson
Color SergeantKim Duffey
EditorJamie Eitson
HistorianLarry Bruce Swinney
Judge AdvocateMack McLendon
QuatermasterRonnie Hill
SurgeonJimmy Rieves

Third Ltc Bill Starnes introduced the speaker for the evening Texas Division Commander Johnnie Holley. Commander Holley gave an interesting program on the Texas James P Douglas Battery. James P Douglas was form Tyler, Texas. The Douglas Battery and the Third Texas Calvary fought very close to each other during the Civil War.

Meeting was closed with prayer by Chaplain Jamie Eitson and the singing of 'Dixie'

Door prize donation--\$36.00

Note; Upshur County Patriots Annual Christmas Party was celeberated on December 3rd at Walking 's' Steakhouse. Great food & fellowship were enjoyed by all. Larry Pearson Chaplain of the John Gregg Camp of Longview was the Speaker for the evening. Roll call for all camp member's Confederate ancestors given by State Commander Johnnie Holley. Adjutant Gipson sang "Silent Night"

Rickie Gipson--Adjutant