

The Sons of the Republic of Texas



Stephen F. Austin Chapter, No. 6
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Texas Independence Day Honored

March 2 Meeting on Tap

The next meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Chapter of the Sons of the Republic of Texas will be at Phillip's Café in Danbury at 6:30 p.m. on March 2, 2006. The program will be presented by Dr. Bob Schwebel, a local veterinarian and a local historian and the person behind the Brazoria Heritage Association and its Day on March 4. Be sure to be at this interesting event.

To reach the Phillip's Café from Alvin and Friendswood come Highway 35 toward Angleton and turn at the Danbury Turn Off (State Spur 28) and come all the way through town until the dead end, the school can be seen on your right. Turn left at this intersection and go one block. Turn right and Phillip's Café will be on your left just past the convenience store on the corner. From Pearland and points north exit Highway 288 to Bus 288 and turn left on the Angleton Bypass (FM 523) and turn left when you get to Highway 35. Turn left and follow the directions above to the restaurant. From Lake Jackson proceed east on FM 2004 until you get to FM 523. Turn left on FM 523 and continue north until you see an exit just before the overpass. Take the exit and go until it deadends with the railroad. Follow that road until the signal light in Danbury. Turn right and go to the dead end, turn left one block then turn right. Phillip's Café will be on your left just past the convenience store. Although the directions seem

Difficult, it is not so, and the food there is very good and worth the trouble.

Minutes of December 1, 2005

The Stephen F. Austin Chapter of the Sons of the Republic of Texas met at The Cactus Grill in Lake Jackson, Texas at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 1, 2005. The meeting was called to order by President Tommy Palmer with Vice-president Michael Cammack offering the prayer. Led by Tommy Palmer, members and guests recited the pledges to the flags of the United States and Texas.

President Palmer announced that Danny Smith, unable to attend tonight's meeting, had joined the Stephen F. Austin Chapter. During the Roll of Honor, guests were introduced. Nine members and six guests were present. Among the guests was Robert Paige, whose SRT membership papers are in the process of being completed.

Secretary/Treasurer Troy Crump read the minutes from the September 1 meeting and reported that the checking account balance with TDECU as of the October 31, 2005 statement was \$960.04. There were no expenditures to report. Arthur Evans moved that the minutes and treasurer's report be approved. The motion carried.

There were no committee reports.

Announcements:

- (1) The LaBahia Ceremony will be held during the December 2-3 National Executive Committee meeting in Victoria. An award will be presented for the best book written in Texas about the pre-Republic period.
- (2) Michael Cammack's father has been diagnosed with cancer and will begin treatments during December.
- (3) Third weekend in June has been designated to mark the grave of former President General Moore.
- (4) Shelby County historical marker recognition has been delayed.

Old Business:

Several of our chapter's members attended: (1) the reception recognizing the completion of the SFA statue in Angleton (2) the November 3 birthday celebration in West Columbia.

Members are encouraged to contact Tommy Palmer, Don Pugh, or Michael Cammack with ideas to encourage members to attend the meetings of our chapter. **Meetings are held quarterly** on the first Thursday of the month.

New Business:

See Nov. 20 newsletter for details about the National Executive Committee meeting in Victoria on Dec. 2-3.

Date of next meeting: March 2, 2006 – site to be determined.

Speakers are needed for elementary and junior high programs. Don Hood's program could be used for March 2 recognition. Robert Giesecke will chair this annual project.

President Palmer introduced Tom Green who presented a program using 32 flags from his Texas Flags collection. Mr. Green cited stories about their background as well as their historical significance. Among his collection were the Navy flag, the William Brown flag, the official flag of 1836 Texas, and the first Republic of Texas flag. Tom Green made several of the flags in his collection. Thousands of children in Texas' schools have watched Texas history unfold as they have listened to Mr. Green.

After the closing prayer by Michael Cammack, the meeting was adjourned by President Palmer.

Please Pay your Dues

This year's dues are due and payable. If you have email addresses, there has been an email message sent you already. If you receive this newsletter by mail there will be a notice enclosed. The chapter's funds are part of the dues and are all the funds that we have to run the chapter for the year. If the dues are not paid very soon, there will be a \$50 charge for reinstatement. You can mail your \$40 dues payment to Sons of the Republic of Texas 1717 Eighth Street, Bay City, Texas 77414.

Treasurers Report

Will be presented at the meeting.

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