

# Sons of the American Revolution



## **BERNARDO DE GALVEZ CHAPTER #1**

### **TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

**March Meeting Minutes 2025 June 21**

**PRESENT: (18)**

**Officers: (7)**

John Loper, President

Guy Taylor, First Vice-President

Clark wright, Secretary

Robert Casset, Treasurer

David Zwahr, Registrar

Jon Zwahr, Photographer

Billy Mayo, Immediate Past President

**Members: (7)**

Robert Carter

Hugh Ferguson, Jr

Robert Gindratt

Pete Lenes

Ronnie Schoolcraft

Frank Steele

William (Rick) Sullivan

**Guests: (4)**

Ben Crossno

Mr. Crossno

Mrs. Crossno

Kathleen Macca

**LUNCH:** Most attendees had finished lunch before noon.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Loper called the meeting to order just after noon. He provided the audience with an Invocation, and led in the pledges to the Flag of the United States, Texas and Sons of the American Revolution (SAR).

**PRESENTATION:** Ben Crossno had the best Essay submitted to the Chapter for the Knight Essay Contest. His Essay about Nathan Hail won fifth in those submitted at the Annual Meeting of the Texas Society. Ben presented the Essay for our members consideration.

**PROGRAM:** Katherine Maca has written a number of Historical Books about Texas and the Galveston area in particular. She gave our membership an enthralling history of the Tremont House which holds a special place for the Texas Society. She told how different hotel accommodations were in the 1820's and into the 60's and 70's. Tremont house served travellers. The first building designated Tremont House had accommodations for travellers in rooms that were 18 by 13 feet, housing 12 beds each. This structure served from 1839 through the American Civil War. The Confederates used the hotel for their headquarters and burned in 1877. The second hotel was built by Nicholas Clayton and lasted until 1928.

**BUSINESS:** No objection was made to a motion to accept the minutes of the May meeting as posted on the web site. President Loper presented reports of the Treasurer and Registrar. The Chapter has \$11,844.78 in a checking account after disbursements for magazine ad, and contribution for a Spanish uniform. David Zwahr indicated that several applications have been submitted. We have no requests for transfers, either in or out, and a total of 31 application in progress. Billy Mayo discussed the work going on about the Texas Society History Volume III. This volume will cover 2005-2025 and he solicited the membership to prepare theirs by July 1, being the deadline for inclusion. Upcoming activities also include participation in the Friendswood 4th of July Parade. Finally President Loper appealed for Compatriot participation with attendance and in chapter committees particularly the Registrar's and Color Guard Committees. Hugh Ferguson indicated that he would assist David Zwahr with the work of Registrar.

**CALENDAR:**

19 July Chapter Meeting

16 August Chapter Meeting to learn about the Buffalo Soldiers

29 August remember the Battle of Eutaw Springs, N.C.

1 September is Labor Day

17 September is Constitution Day

20 September joint meeting with the George Washington Chapter DAR to celebrate Constitution Day

18 October Chapter Meeting

19 October commemorates the Victory at Yorktown in Virginia

15 November Chapter Meeting to elect 2026 officers

For information and updates, please refer to the Bernardo de Galvez Web Page ([www.bdg-sar.org](http://www.bdg-sar.org)) or Facebook Group (Bernardo de Galvez Chapter #1 SAR)

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

A Motion to Adjourn was made and seconded and approved by all.

#### RECESSIONAL

The Recessional was led by President John Loper and recited by all Compatriots.

#### DISMISSAL

The meeting was adjourned after 1:00 p.m. CST with a Group Photo following adjournment.

Clark P Wright, Secretary/Treasurer/Webmaster