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**Sidney Sherman Chapter #2****Minutes**

April 15, 2025

The members of the Sidney Sherman Chapter #2, Sons of the Republic of Texas (SRT) gathered at Kelley's Family Restaurant in Texas City before 5:30 PM on April 15 in the banquet room behind the cashier. President Robert Schnuriger called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and gave the Invocation. Our President led us in the pledge to the United States and Robert Gindratt led us in the pledge to the Texas Flag.

**Attending:** George\* and Larry\* Armstrong(Quartermaster), Hugh\* Ferguson, Robert\* Gindratt(Second Vice-President), Carl\* Hill(Past-President), Steve\* Manis (Past President, Knight of San Jacinto[KSJ]), Billy\* Mayo, Mike\* Mitchell, Randy@ (Past President-General SRT and KSJ) and Tricia Pollard, Robert\* Schnuriger(President), Ron\* Schoolcraft, Eron! Tyne and Clark\* Wright(Secretary). We had 16 Chapter members, 1 honorary member and 3 guests attending this meeting with a total of 20 in attendance.

**Ancestors:** Hugh Ferguson told us about his qualifying ancestor and Clark Wright reciting a story about the sister of his ancestor.

**Business:** We had no new members to induct this evening. The minutes of March, being online in the website, were approved by acclamation and the chapter has just over \$5925 in the bank account. President Schnuriger reported on the Annual Meeting which had been held in College Station. Thanks for Eron Tyne's and Carl Hill's work our scrapbook received the award as best. Congratulations to Carl for being elected to Knighthood, he will be Invested at the next Annual Meeting. President Schnuriger was also acknowledged best District Representative. The Chapter will be represented at both the activities which will occur on the 21<sup>st</sup> and the 26<sup>th</sup> at the San Jacinto Battleground. The chapter also plan to participate in the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade in Galveston and sponsor the Sidney Sherman Celebration on July 26 at Pacific Seafood in San Leon, as in years passed. Carl Hill reported that only one thing is left for the repairs on the Sidney Sherman Statute at the Seawall and Broadway in Galveston remains, in that the scabbard will be repaired.

**Program:** Jeff Hallinan provided our audience with information about firearms used from about 1820 to 1836. Very little general manufacturing was available to the Texas settlers. Muskets used flintlock to fire and a lot of the mechanisms were forged by blacksmiths, few of which were considered gunsmiths. Most men also had flintlock pistols.

President Schnurger gave the **benediction** at 6:45 pm and the meeting was adjourned. Members gathered for a group photograph.

**Note:** Chapter Members are denoted by a star (\*), Honorary Members are denoted with an exclamation point (!) and other SRT members are denoted by a at-sign (@) in the list of attendees.

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