



*Robert Rankin Chapter # 62*

*2018 Yearbook*

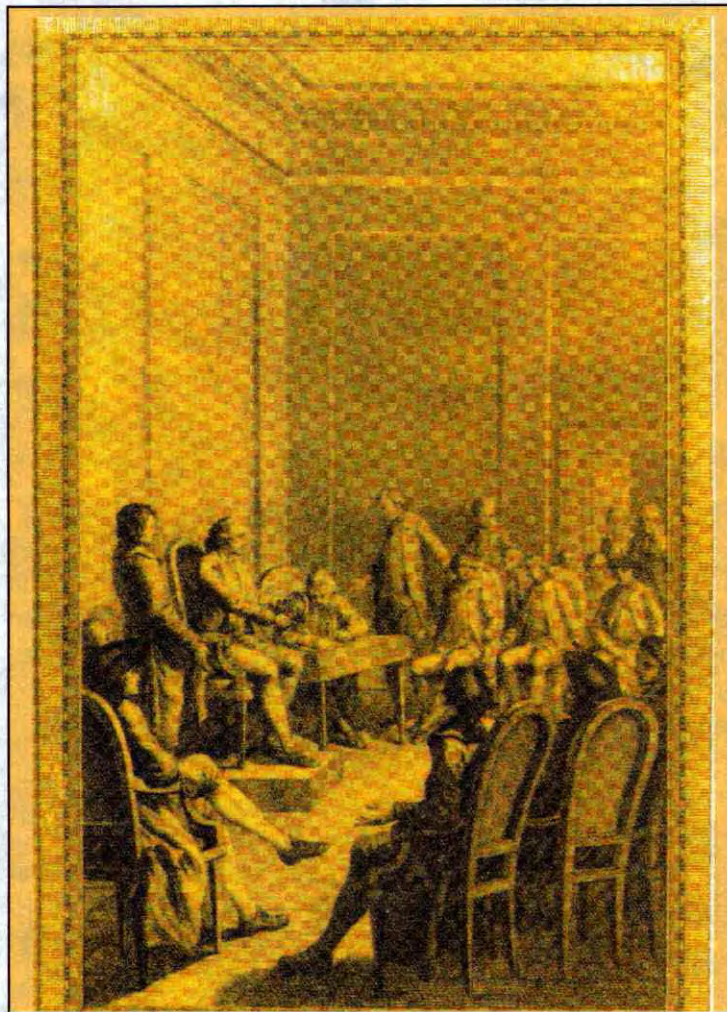
*Historians*

*H. Allen Greene & Thomas I. Jackson*

*Book 2 of 2*



*Robert Rankin Chapter #62*  
*Meetings: Chapter, State, National*



*Meeting of the First Continental Congress  
from an historic French engraving.*

*Americans have been meeting since 1774, and even before,  
in the cause or commemoration of Freedom.  
And, Patriots are still meeting today.*



# ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER#62

## TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

### YEARBOOK

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# January



**The painting above, *George Washington and Lafayette at Valley Forge* was painted by John Ward Dunsmore, and was published 1907. Dunsmore is known for his realistic paintings of the American Revolutionary era.**

The largest collection of Dunsmore's art is at the Fraunces Tavern Museum. The Tavern, built in 1719, is best known as the site where Washington gave his farewell address to the officers of the Continental Army. It was originally built for the merchant Stephan Delancey as an elegant residence. Tavern-keeper Samuel Fraunces purchased the house in 1762 and converted it into a most popular tavern. When the country's first capital was located in New York City the building was used to Departments of War, Treasury and Foreign Affairs.

In 1904, the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York purchased the tavern and hired preservation architect William Mersereau to return the building to its colonial appearance. Fraunces Tavern® Museum opened to the public in 1907.

(The image was captured at: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Washington\\_and\\_Lafayette\\_at\\_Valley\\_Forge.jpg](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Washington_and_Lafayette_at_Valley_Forge.jpg).)





**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR**

**Color Guard Meeting**

Social Time - 6:00 PM, Celebration 6:45 PM to 7:45 PM

Wednesday, Jan 10, 2018

Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Freeway, Katy, TX

**DINNER:** Go through the buffet line, get your dinner and pay for it and put \$2.00 per person in our speaker funds box.

**INVOCATION:** Chaplain Alex Thorne

**PLEDGES:**

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SAR Creed

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**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** President, Allen Greene

**HARVEY HEROS:** Tom Jackson

**SPEAKER:** Dr. Christopher Hammons

"Myths and Meanings of Paul Revere"

**ANCESTOR PRESENTATION:** Jerry Clanton

**AWARDS PRESENTATION:** Allen Greene



*Sons of the American Revolution*



**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR**

**Veterans Day Celebration**

Wednesday, Jan 10, 2018

Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Freeway, Katy, TX

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:** Allen Greene

**SAR Recessional:**

"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."

**BENEDICTION:** Chaplain Alex Thorne

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**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** President, Allen Greene

Dr. Christopher Hammons, PHD Political Science

We have several Hero's from Hurricane Harvey here that will be introduced later.

Steve Grace from KY      Jinny Evans aka Betsy Ross

**HARVEY HERO'S AWARDS PRESENTATION:** Tom Jackson

**SPEAKER:** Chris Hammons

Paul Revere in Myth and Meaning

A little about Dr. Hammons

He spoke to us a couple a years ago about George Washington

He also has spoken at our Texas Annual Conference about the three most important documents that have influenced our belief in equality...The Declaration of Independence, The Bill of Rights and the Gettysburg...

I hope I have remembered that right

Dr. Hammons is the Director of the Center for Law and Liberty and a professor of Government at Houston Baptist University. He teaches course in Constitutional History, Political Philosophy and Presidential Politics

Please welcome Dr. Hammons!!!

Certificate of Appreciation: Dr Christopher Hammons

**ANCESTOR PRESENTATION:** Jerry Clanton

"Too Many Georges"

**THIS DAY IN HISTORY:**

John Worm

Christopher (Chris) Hammons, PhD  
Center for Law and Liberty  
Department of Law and Society  
School of Humanities

Speaker for  
SAR MTG 1/10/18

- Director, Center for Law and Liberty
- Program Coordinator, Government
- Professor of Government

#### Education

- PhD in Political Science, University of Houston
- MA in Political Science, University of Houston
- BA in Government, University of Texas at Austin

#### Courses Taught

- American Political Thought
- American Constitutionalism
- American Government
- Campaigns & Elections
- Ancient & Medieval Political Thought

#### Teaching Focus

His award-winning teaching engages students in a conversation that relates classical concepts and theories to current events and modern politics.

#### Additional Information

**Dr. Christopher Hammons** is the Director of the Center for Law and Liberty and a professor of Government at Houston Baptist University. He teaches courses in constitutional history, political philosophy, and presidential politics.

Dr. Hammons received a B.A. in Government and History at the University of Texas at Austin in 1991 and an M.A. and Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of Houston in 1997.



## **Award/Recognition Script**

The Robert Rankin Chapter primarily serves the area proscribed by the Cypress-Fairbanks ISD and the Katy ISD, an area of 360 square miles, a student population of 210,000 and an estimated population exceeding 1.1 million, larger than 8 states.

On Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Hurricane Harvey made landfall along the southeast Texas Gulf Coast as a Category 4 hurricane. Harvey was the most intense hurricane to make landfall since 2005 and the wettest ever recorded in our country's history.

In a four-day period, many areas of Southeast Texas received more than 40 inches of rain as the system slowly meandered and stalled over the metropolitan Harris County region.

As a result, the Cy-Fair and Katy communities experienced catastrophic flooding and unprecedented damage causing thousands of residents to be displaced.

In February we will recognize those who serve the Katy ISD area. This evening, we say thank to just a few organizations who assisted the community within the Cy-Fair community.

### **We will start with CFISD.**

Tonight, we recognize and say thank you to the employees of Cypress Fairbanks ISD for their community support during the wake of Hurricane Harvey. The individuals present eschewed individual recognition and are here emblematically.

Representing the men and women of the CFISD Police Department are Assistant Chief Mike Baker and Captain Matthew Williams.

Representing the men, women and students who were volunteers at the Berry Center are Director of Marketing and Business Relations Leslie Francis and Courtney Abney from Facilities and Construction.

Ms. Francis helped design, coordinate, and implement the Berry Center Relief and Ms. Courtney Abney helped coordinate efforts with Ms. Francis at the point of distribution.

I would ask Leslie Francis, Director of Marketing and Business Relations to briefly describe the CFISD Contributions:

## **Award/Recognition Script**

Representing the Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Department are

Captain Chris Garcia made a presentation to the Board about his investigation for obtaining a high profile water rescue vehicle for service to the District. Mr. Garcia also shared with the Board that the rescue boats purchased should be received by the District by October 15, 2016.

On the third day of Harvey four fire fighters were called to face risk and uncertainty and answer a call for help. Included in this group were District Chief Larry Landriault, Captain Christopher Garcia, Captain Ronald Fangmann, and Lieutenant Chad Corliss.

These courageous firefighters faced unimaginable odds against Mother Nature and Hurricane Harvey. It was the 3rd day of Harvey – the fire department was well into the thick of the Event and the end was unclear. In the early morning on Tuesday, approximately 4:30 am, a call came in for a capsized boat in the Black Horse Subdivision near the Golf Course. Boat 3 was quickly dispatched, along with the Rescue Coordinator and a District Chief. Travelling around impassable roads and through-ways, and in the pitch-black of night, the Team finally arrived only to find out that instead of 1-2 people needing to be rescued, the call was actually for 11 people and Service Dog in swift water conditions.

Through patience, experience, training and persistence the Team was successful in saving all 11, as well as the Service Dog. This type of save, which is all too often met with sadness and regret was 100% successful and a truly remarkable situation.



President's Comments:

NSSAR Annual Contest:

Spreadsheet is due to Larry Blackburn by Jan 15<sup>th</sup>

Please send me info about any SAR Activity (besides monthly meetings)  
You have participated in; ie: meetings with CAR or DAR, Parades,  
WAA, donations to CAR and DAR, etc.

National Congress 2018

In Houston at Westin Hotel on I 10 and Gesner

Volunteers for 4 hours shifts  
Only for Check in Desk and  
Credentials Desk

## LOCATION

This location is now booked for all other meetings through May 2018

**BUT!! Willow Fork has indicated that they will be open for business in March**

## SAR Recessional:

"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."

P/2 Feed Kitty  
SUGGEST our check to  
Robert Levine  
for \$100  
rent



**BENEDICTION:** Chaplain Alex Thorne

*Fred Jackson*

**Meeting Adjourned**

President: Allen Greene



# Robert Rankin Chapter #62

Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution

## Minutes of Annual Meeting



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The invocation was given by Compatriot Fred Jackson.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.

The Pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.

The SAR Creed was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.

**This Day In History:** Postponed

Historical Presentation, Compatriot Chis Hammons spoke on the Myth & Facts of Patrick Henry.

**Educational Presentation:** Tom Jackson gave the following presentations: Impact of Harvey, CFISD contributions for Harvey Relief, HEB contributions for Harvey Relief, CY Volunteer FD Harvey Relief.

**Patriotic Presentation:** Jerry gave an ancestor presentation on too many Georges.

Compatriot Bobby Smith led the recessional and the Benediction was given by Compatriot Alex Thorne. President Allen Greene adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted this date of *January 10, 2018*.

Michael Bierman  
Secretary

Allen Greene  
President





# Robert Rankin Chapter #62

*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*

## *Minutes of Annual Meeting*



*January 10, 2018*

### In Attendance

#### Compatriots present (6):

Bruce Alfredson  
Michael Bierman  
Jerry Clanton  
Thomas Jackson  
Jim Hoffman  
Dr. Chris Hammons

#### Compatriots with spouses present (10):

Allen & Linda Greene  
Fred & Brenda Jackson  
Theron & Olga McLaren (DAR)  
Bobby & Nita Smith  
John & Judith Worm (DAR)

#### Guests(14):

Mike Baker  
Leslie Francis  
Steven Graves  
Sean & Courtney McQueen  
Bernice Mistrot  
Amy Ramon  
Joseph Scala  
Dick Wimbish

Virginia Evans (DAR)  
Chris Garcia

Marti Owens  
Joe Scala  
Richard Whitacre

### Awards & Recognitions (SAR):

#### Rankin Harvey Heroes Awards

Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Superintendent Dr. Mark Henry, Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Police Department Chief of Police Eric Mendez. Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Depart. of Communication and Community Relations Assistant Superintendent Nicole Ray, Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Department Fire Chief Amy Ramon, H-E-B Grocery Company LP.

**Supporting Certificates:** Assistant Chief Mike Baker CFISD Police Depart, Capt. Matthew Williams CFISD Police Depart, Director Leslie Francis Marketing & Business Relations CFISD, Courtney McQueen Facilities & Construction CFISD, Assistant Superintendent Nicole Ray Depart. of Communications & Community Relations CFISD, Capt. Christopher Garcia Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Depart, Mike Clements Deputy Chief – Administration Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Depart., Joe Scala Unit Director HEB Grocery Stores, Marti Owens Area Community Coordinator HEB Grocery Stores.

**Law Enforcement Commendation Medal:** Assistant Chief Mike Baker CFISD Police Depart, Capt. Matthew Williams CFISD Police Depart.

**Fire Safety Commendation Medal:** Capt. Christopher Garcia CF Volunteer Fire Depart, Mike Clements Deputy Chief Administration CF Volunteer Fire Depart.



*January meeting*

*January 10, 2018*



**Dr. Christopher Hammons (I) with President Allen Greene**

*Robert Rankin, Texas SAR  
Spring Creek Barbecue  
January Highlights*

- ❖ Dr. Christopher Hammons is our speaker. His topic was Paul Revere in Myth and Meaning.
- ❖ David Zachmeyer and Jack Muggli are inducted as new members by President Allen Greene.
- ❖ Jerry Clanton gave an Ancestor Presentation entitled "Too Many Georges."
- ❖ Tom Jackson gave the Educational Presentation, which focused on the impact of Harvey, CFISD contributions for Harvey Relief, HEB contributions for Harvey Relief, CY Volunteer FD Harvey Relief.
- ❖ Recognition of the Heroes of Harvey.



# January meeting

January 10, 2018

"The landfall of Hurricane Harvey was just the beginning of a long, but rewarding week for CFVFD. Like so many areas, we faced torrential rain and inland flooding. Late one night, our rescue team was dispatched to a reported capsized boat near Black Horse golf course. The team consisted of a district chief, a rescue boat with a crew of three, and an engine crew. The rescue boat was launched north of Big Cypress Creek from where the distress call had come. Lt. Chad Corliss and I did a quick safety check of the rescue boat, donned our gear, and proceeded to search for the boat. "We soon located the boat and secured two adults and two children. We then learned about a stranded adult hanging onto a tree in the rapidly moving waters of Cypress Creek. The crew of Rescue Boat 3 and I decided to enter the water. Our plan was to ferry upstream, enter the current in a small opening of a tree clearing, travel downstream to the victim, and execute a "J" turn that allowed us to snatch the man from the water. We executed the plan and soon had our first of what would soon be 11 people out of harm's way. The man rescued from the tree was extremely emotional, saying he had felt death was imminent. Once on land, he tearfully thanked us. "The Rescue Boat 3 crew then resumed searching the flooded area. Daylight had not arrived. Lighting was limited. We soon saw a flash of a light deep into the flooded area. As we navigated toward the light through the debris, we saw several more people hanging onto trees in the rushing water. The first person we came to was a mother with her a young boy who was about seven years old. From there, we rescued another child and three men. As we headed back to shore through the flooded water, I asked the boy what his name was and he said, 'My name is Christopher.' At that moment the situation took on a surreal feeling for Lt. Corliss and myself. We had seven victims on shore, with the original four that were rescued on a nearby bridge. Once all 11 were on shore, a military crew was waiting to take them to a medical facility All of this happened under the illumination of a helicopter light requested by our fire chief." One of the rescued citizens mentioned that her service dog was lost. The crew of Rescue Boat 3 and I, with the assistance of a Texas Department of Public Safety helicopter crew, resumed searching the flooded area for the service dog. We listened carefully for barks or unusual noises. After several passes in the rescue boat, we heard a faint dog bark from the woods. The water was thick with debris and it remained difficult to navigate. After several passes near the dog, we decided to place the handler in the boat to help with our search. On our last attempt to locate the dog, a very loud dog bark echoed in the wooded area. We then saw the dog tangled in a tree. He was covered in ants and shaking. We soon were able to get him into the boat take him and his handler to shore. "This rescue was the best possible outcome. Our team helped 11 men, women and children and a service dog survive dangerous floodwaters in the dark of night. This incident reflects the best of what we're trying to do for the community. I could not be prouder of the people of CFVFD.



In the photo at the left,  
and from left to right:

Lt. Chad Corliss, Capt. Ron  
Fangmann, District Chief  
Larry Landriault, and Capt.  
Chris Garcia.



*January meeting*

*January 10, 2018*

*Celebrating the Heroes of Harvey*



In the photo above, from left to right are, Marti Owens (H-E-B), Joe Scala (H-E-B), Leslie Manning Francis, Courtney Abney, Cy Fair Volunteer Fire Department Capt. Chris Garcia, Fire Chief Amy Ramon, and Tom Jackson.



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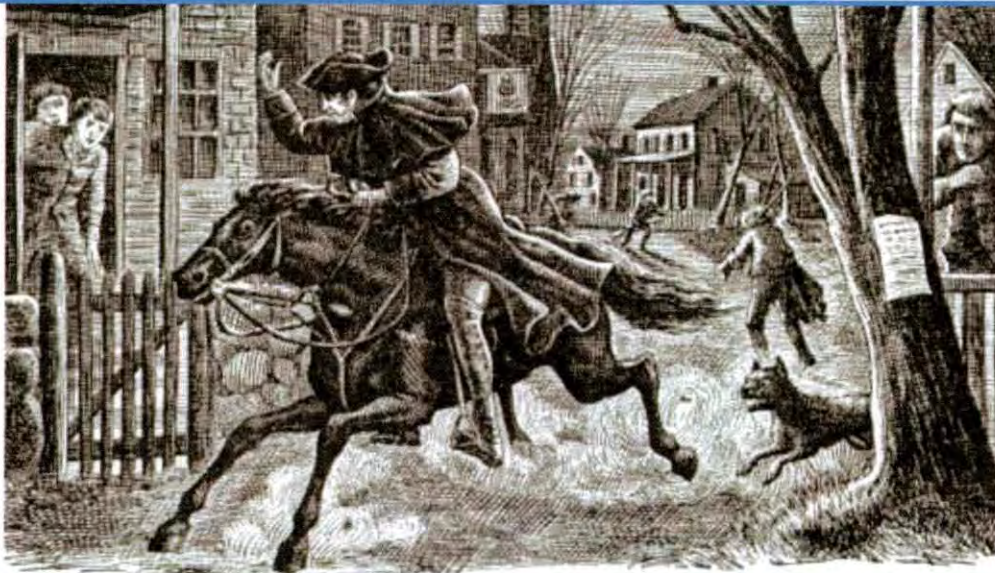


Dr. Christopher Hammons of Houston Baptist University

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## *The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere*





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*January 10, 2018*

## *Too Many Georges*



Jerry Clanton



Jerry Clanton faced a daunting task. He had to prove that both the DAR and SAR had picked the wrong George Fluker. It took him a year of research to find the documentation to prove his analysis was correct. In essence, the patriot had two sons, each of whom named one of their children after the patriot. Thus, you had two grandchildren with the same name as the patriot. Each grandson in turn had a son named George, as well. A will of one of the grandsons named George was found, but was attached to the wrong grandson! Jerry then had to prove the lineage and the names of wives and other children to separate the two grandsons and thus claim his heritage.



*January meeting*

*January 10, 2018*

## *Harvey's Heroes*



Sons of the American Revolution Robert Rankin Chapter says Thank You to some of Harvey's Heroes! In the photo above (L-R): Robert Rankin Chapter President Allen Greene, Marti Owens (H-E-B), Joe Scala (H-E-B), & Texas SAR President Tom Jackson.



During Hurricane Harvey, H-E-B's total giving to disaster relief efforts exceeded \$5.86 million in monetary commitments, support of emergency shelters, Food Bank donations, volunteer hours and the deployment of H-E-B's Mobile Kitchens and Disaster Relief Units. Charles Butt, H-E-B Chairman and CEO, made a personal \$5 million donation to the J. J. Watt Foundation and another \$100,000 to Prairie View A&M students affected by the storm.



*January meeting*

*January 10, 2018*

## *More Heroes from Harvey*

Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Dept. Fire Chief Amy Ramon and Captain Chris Garcia with Robert Rankin Chapter President Allen Greene and Texas SAR President Tom Jackson.



In the photo above (L-R) Robert Rankin Chapter President Allen Greene, Leslie Manning Francis, CFISD, Asst. Chief of Police Mike Baker (250 water rescues), Courtney Abney, and Texas SAR President Tom Jackson. Leslie and Courtney were part of a group that served over 5,000 in need at the Berry Center in CFISD.



The National Society  
of the  
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*John Worm*

is hereby awarded the

*Color Guard Certificate of Appreciation*

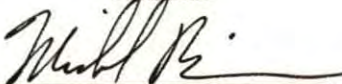
in recognition of service as Color Guard  
for the Robert Rankin Chapter of the  
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Robert Rankin Chapter

January 10, 1018

  
President

  
Secretary

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Sons of the American Revolution®



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for the Robert Rankin Chapter of the  
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Robert Rankin Chapter  
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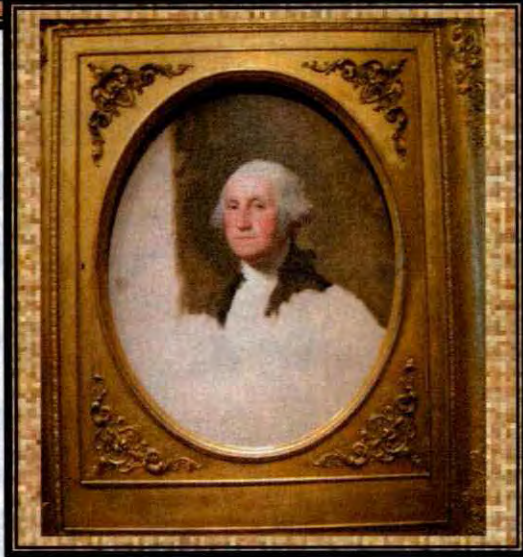
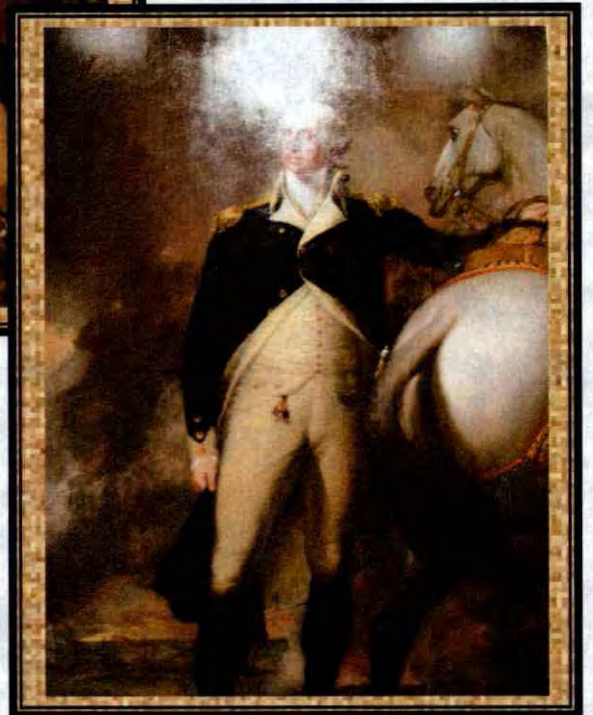
May 9, 2018  
Date

Walter J. J. J.  
President

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Secretary



# February



## *Images of George Washington*

The photographs above were taken by T. Jackson at the Musuem of Fine Arts in Boston. At the top left is *The Passage of the Delaware* painted in 1819 by Thomas Sully. Sully, 1783–1872, was an American (born in England). On the right is an oil on canvas portrait of *George Washington at Dorchester Heights* by Gilbert Stuart. Directly above is perhaps the most famous of the Washington portraits, also by Stuart.



# Sons of the American Revolution



**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR**

**George Washington's Day Celebration**

Social Time - 6:00 PM, Meeting 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy FWY, Katy, TX

**INVOCATION:** Alex Thorne

## **PLEDGES:**

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**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** President, Allen Greene

**INDUCTING NEW MEMBERS:** District VP Allen Greene

**David Zachmeyer and Jack Muggli**

**SPEAKER: President's Day Celebration: Kent McGaughy**

Presentation: **"George Washington and the Forgotten History of the American Revolution"**

**AWARDS PRESENTATION:** Fred Jackson



# Sons of the American Revolution



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**George Washington's Day Celebration**

**Tuesday, February 13, 2018**

**Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy FWY, Katy, TX**

**ANCESTOR PRESENTATION: Jeremiah Woodcock: Allen Greene**

**THIS DAY IN HISTORY: King George III Declares a Permanent Ceasefire to the American Revolution**

**SAR Recessional:**

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**BENEDICTION: Alex Thorne**

**Meeting Adjourned**

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Historical Presentation, Kent McGaughy spoke on "George Washington and the Forgotten History of the American Revolution."

**Educational Presentation:** Tom Jackson gave a Congress Update.

**Patriotic Presentation:** Allen Greene gave an ancestor presentation on Jeremiah Woodcock.

Compatriot Fred Jackson led the recession and the Benediction was given by Compatriot Alex Thorne. President Allen Greene adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted this date of *February 19, 2018.*

  
Michael Bierman  
Secretary

  
Allen Greene  
President





# *Robert Rankin Chapter #62*

*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*

## *Minutes of Annual Meeting*



*February 13, 2018*

### **In Attendance**

Compatriots present (7):

Michael Bierman

Jerry Clanton

Allen Greene

Thomas Jackson

Allan Perkins

Norman Strey

Alex Thorne

Compatriots with spouses present (8):

Fred & Brenda Jackson

Theron & Olga McLaren (DAR)

Jack & Jennie Muggli

David & Judy Zachmeyer

Guests(4):

Helen Douglas

Kent & Kimberly McGaughy

Neil Staley

### **Awards & Recognitions (SAR):**

New member certificates: Jack Muggli and David Zachmeyer.

Speaker COA: Kent McGaughy

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Feed the Kitty

suggest make a check \$100  
to RR

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** President, Allen Greene

Our speaker tonight: Kent McGaughy (Ma-goy)

Friends of our speaker:

Helen Haldeman, she is an accredited genealogist and has also worked on forensic genealogy projects helping the U.S. military to identify families connected to the remains of U.S. soldiers found in Vietnam

And Neal Staley

New members to be inducted tonight: David Zachmeyer and Jack Muggli.

David's wife Judy who is a member of the John Everett chapter DAR in Columbus.

Jack's wife, Jennie is the Registrar for the John Everett Chapter DAR in Columbus, TX.

Nelma Strey mother of Norman Strey, Jr.

**INDUCTING NEW MEMBERS:** District VP Allen Greene

**David Zachmeyer and Jack Muggli**

## INDUCTION CEREMONY

David Zachmeyer and Jack Muggli, will you please come forward.

Compatriots David Zachmeyer and Jack Muggli, do you, as a Descendants of one of the Patriots and Heroes of the American Revolution, reaffirm your ancestor's faith in the principles of Liberty and our Constitutional Republic? (Response I do)

And, will you pledge to support The National Society, Sons of The American Revolution? (Response I do)

I now take great pleasure in presenting your Membership Certificates.

I would like to ask that the Compatriot that sponsored David and Jack to come forward and place the SAR Rosette in the lapel of their coats.

This Rosette is the official Recognition Emblem of the Sons of the American Revolution. Its blue and buff colors represent the colors in the uniform worn by General George Washington. Wear it proudly.

Compatriots David Zachmeyer and Jack Muggli, we welcome you to the Chapter. We ask that you work with us to fulfill the purposes and objectives of the Sons of the American Revolution.

At this time we would like to invite you to address our members present with whatever thoughts you may have. (Give him time.)

Will all members please come forward and welcome Compatriots David Zachmeyer and Jack Muggli into the Robert Rankin Chapter.

*If you can make a few comments about your  
first ancestor — Ask later for formal presentation*



**SPEAKER:** President's Day Celebration: Kent McGaughy (Ma-goy)

Presentation: "George Washington and the Forgotten History of the American Revolution"

**J. Kent McGaughy**

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**AWARDS PRESENTATION:** Fred Jackson

Certificate of Appreciation: Kent McGaughy.

**OFFICERS and CHAIRMEN: Allen Greene**

**Officers:**

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary: Michael Bierman
- Treasurer: Alex Thorne
- Registrar: Tom Jackson?
- Genealogist:
- Chaplain: Alex Thorne

**Chairman/Point of Contact for Key Committee duties:**

- Knight Essays
- JROTC: Allan Perkins
- 4th/5th grade poster contest
- 7th/8th grade brochure contest
- American History Teacher contest
- Oratory contest
- Newsletter



## ANCESTOR PRESENTATION:

### Jeremiah Woodcock

Jeremiah Woodcock was born October 11, 1731 in Needham, Massachusetts. He was the son of Jeremiah Woodcock, Jr. and Elizabeth (Bacon) Woodcock. He was the second of six children. Jeremiah's Grandfather Deacon Jeremiah Woodcock was one of the founders of Needham, MA and he was one of the signers of the Petition for the Incorporation of Needham, MA.

On Dec. 26, 1753 when he was 22 years old, Jeremiah married Sarah Morse and they had 6 children before Sarah died Aug. 3, 1766. On Nov. 5, 1767 Jeremiah married the widow Susannah Whitmore (Chick) and they had 6 more children.

The History of Needham says that both the East Company and the West Company of Militia from Needham MA responded to the Lexington Alarm on April 19, 1775. The book "MASSACHUSETTS Soldiers and Sailors Revolutionary War." has the following listing: Woodcock, Jere, Needham. Private, Capt. Robert Smith's co., Col. William Heath's regt.; service, 4 days, probably on the alarm of April 19, 1775.

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Jeremiah Woodcock died on March 4, 1824. He is listed in The History of Needham under "Residents of Needham who have lived Ninety Years" as: "Jeremiah Woodcock, March 4, 1824, aged ninety-two years, four months." His burial location is unknown

*Jeremy Clanton*

## **This Day in History, February 4, 1783**

### **King George III declares a permanent ceasefire to the American Revolution**

On this day in history, February 4, 1783, King George III declares a permanent ceasefire to the American Revolution. After the surrender of General Charles Cornwallis' army at Yorktown, Virginia in October, 1781, many members of Parliament decided it was time to end the war. The House of Commons first voted to end the war on February 27, 1782 and in March, Prime Minister North resigned.

By April 4, General Henry Clinton was replaced as Commander of British forces in North America by Sir Guy Carleton, who was charged with implementing a withdrawal. Informal peace negotiations began in April in Paris between Ben Franklin and Richard Oswald, the representative of the new Prime Minister, Charles Watson Wentworth, and the Marquess of Rockingham.

By September, 1782, John Jay had arrived in Paris from Spain and John Adams had arrived from Holland. They joined the now formal peace negotiations and on November 30, a preliminary peace treaty is signed, in which Britain acknowledges the sovereignty of the United States, the boundaries of the United States are determined and Britain agrees to withdraw its forces from US territory.

The preliminary treaty is ratified by Parliament on January 20, 1783 and a ceasefire is declared by King George on February 4. The American Congress declares a ceasefire on April 11 and ratifies the preliminary treaty on April 15, 1783.

On September 3, 1783, the final Treaty of Paris is signed in Paris by representatives John Jay, John Adams and Ben Franklin from America and Representative David Hartley from Great Britain. Congress ratifies the Treaty of Paris on January 14, 1784 and Parliament ratifies it on April 9, 1784. The final act of the road to peace is a formal exchanging of the signed documents in Paris on May 12, 1784, finally bringing the American Revolution to a close.



Announcements:

2018 National Congress:

Need Volunteers; Easiest job you will ever have

4 hrs:

Registration...hand out documents

Credentials....hand out documents

**I need 4 volunteers...easiest job you will ever have**

2017 Annual Meeting

April 5<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>

Hyatt Regency North Dallas

Car Pool?

**SAR Recessional:**

**"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."**

**BENEDICTION:** Alex Thorne

**Meeting Adjourned**

President: Allen Greene

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# *Our February Meeting*

*February 13, 2018*



From Left to right, Tom Jackson, David Zachmeyer, Jack Muggli and President Allen Greene.

## *Robert Rankin, Texas SAR Spring Creek Barbecue February Highlights*

- ❖ Dr. Kent McGaughy is our speaker. The topic was "George Washington and the Forgotten History of the American Revolution."
- ❖ David Zachmeyer and Jack Muggli are inducted as new members by President Allen Greene .
- ❖ Allen Greene gave the Ancestor presentation on his ancestor Jeremiah Woodcocks, a Patriot at the Battle of Lexington & Concord!
- ❖ Jerry Canton gave This Day in History, February 4, 1783. King George III declares a permanent ceasefire to the American Revolution.



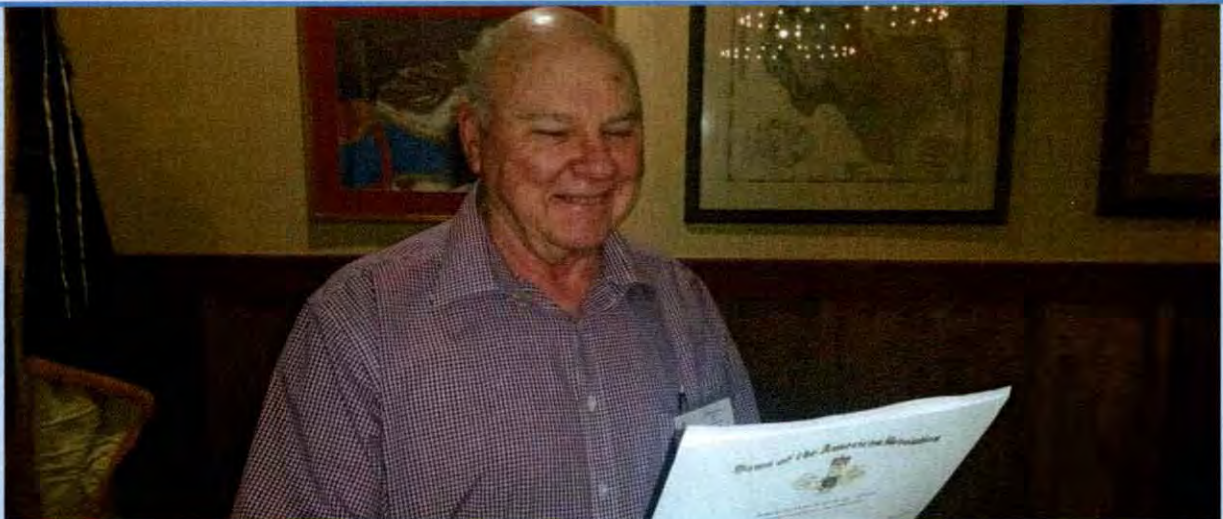
# *Our February Meeting*

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## *This Day in History*



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# *Our February Meeting*

*February 13, 2018*

## *Two New Compatriots*





# Our February Meeting

February 13, 2018

Allen Greene (below) talks about his ancestor Jeremiah Woodcock's involvement in the Battle of Lexington & Concord.



## LEXINGTON COMMON AND VICINITY.

1. Lexington Common. 2. Meeting House. 3. Belfry. 4. Marrett Munroe. 5. Emerson. 6. Buckman Tavern. 7. Harrington. 8. Rev. Jonas Clarke. 9. Merriam. 10. Loring. 11. Mead. 12. Mulliken. 13. Bond. 14. Munroe Tavern. 15. Sanderson. 16. Mason. 17. Percy's Cannon. 18. Lieut.-Col. Smith wounded. 19. Hayward mortally wounded. 20. Wellington captured.





# Our February Meeting

February 13, 2018

## Main Speaker



### *J. Kent McGaughy*

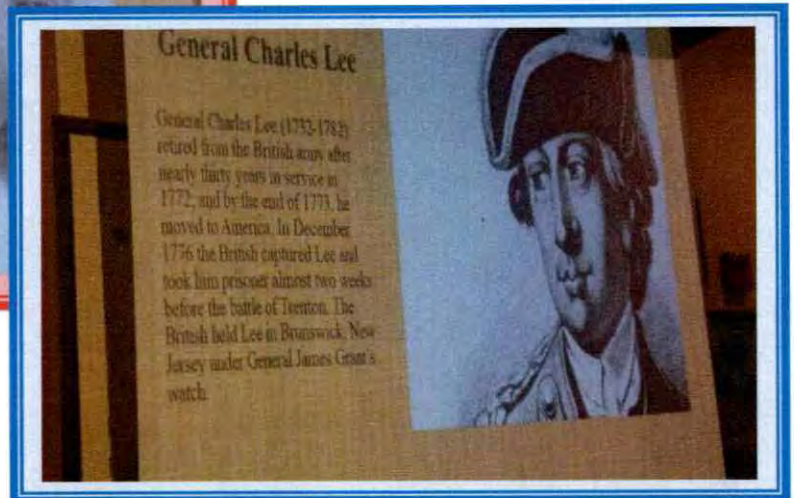
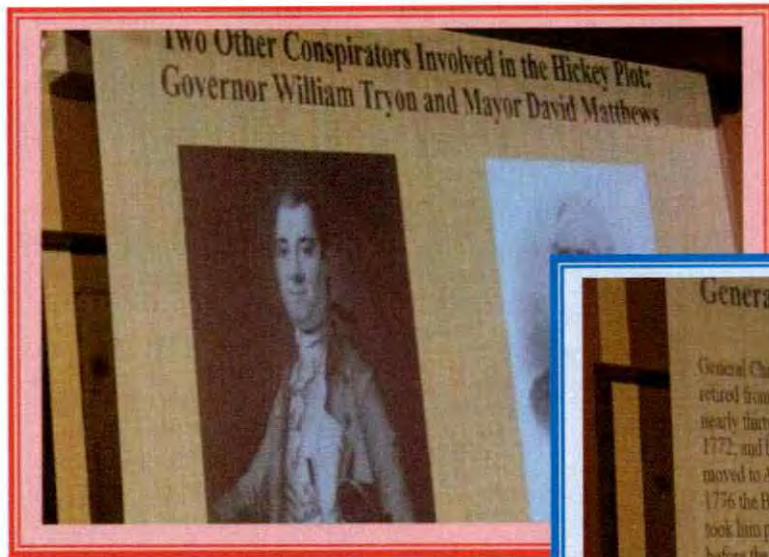
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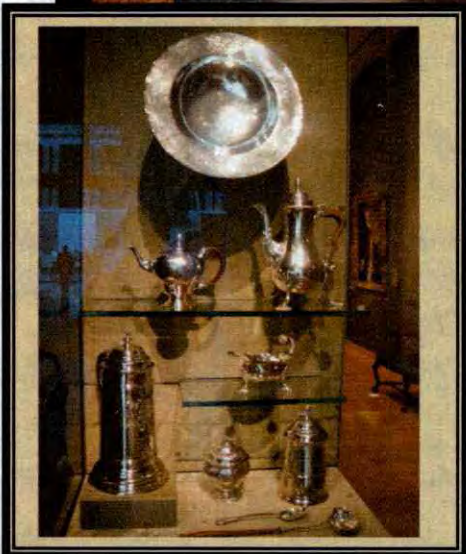
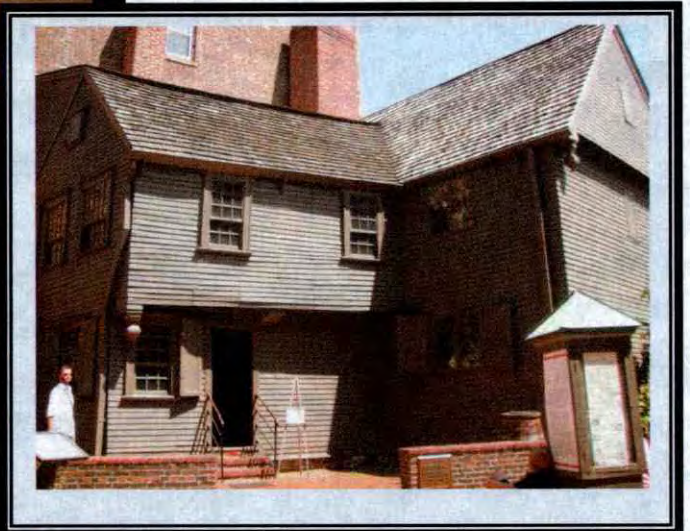
Dr. Kent McGaughy spoke of "the unhappy fate of Thomas Hickey, executed this day for mutiny, sedition, and treachery, the General hopes will be a warning to every soldier in the Army to avoid those crimes, and all others, so disgraceful to the character of a soldier, and pernicious to his country, whose pay he receives and bread he eats." George Washington. Kent also spoke of other excerpts from his book *Richard Henry Lee of Virginia* that was recently published.

In the photo below Tom Jackson (l) gives Dr. McGaughy (r) a certificate of appreciation.





# March



## Images of Paul Revere

- The painting of Paul Revere in the top left is by John Singleton Copley and hangs in the Boston Museum.
- The silver artifacts at the left were hand crafted by Revere and are an exhibit in the Boston museum as well.
- In the top right is a photograph of the house of Paul Revere.
- Below the photograph of the house of Revere is a tombstone for him which is located in the "Old Burying Grounds" of Boston.
- The photographs were taken by T. Jackson.



# Sons of the American Revolution



## **ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR**

### **COLOR GUARD MEETING**

Social Time - 6:00 PM, Meeting 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy FWY, Katy

**INVOCATION:** Alex Thorne

#### **PLEDGES:**

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands:  
one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

Texas Pledge

"Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

SAR Creed

"We, the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** President, Allen Greene

**KNIGHT ESSAY CONTEST AWARD PRESENTATION:** Tom Jackson

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Jonathan Liu
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	AnaLisa Villarreal

**BROCHURE CONTEST AWARD PRESENTATION:** Tom Jackson

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Madeline Hsu
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Mylan Wilson

**WAR SERVICE & SERVICE TO VETERANS MEDALS PRESENTATION:** Tom Jackson

Allan Perkins





**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR**

**George Washington's Day Celebration**

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy FWY, Katy

**INSTALLATION of NEW OFFICERS:** President Allen Greene

President: Fred Jackson

Vice-President:

Secretary: Michael Bierman

Treasurer: Alex Thorne

Historian: Tom Jackson and Allen Greene

Registrar: Tom Jackson

Genealogist: Tom Jackson

Sgt. at Arms: Jerry Clanton

Chaplain: Alex Thorne

**PAST PRESIDENT CERTIFICATE of APPRECIATION AWARD:** Tom Jackson  
Allen Greene

**AWARDS PRESENTATION:** Allen Greene

**GEORGE WASHINGTON CERTIFICATE of APPRECIATION AWARDS:**

Tom Jackson, Alex Thorne, Michael Bierman, Jerry Clanton and Allen Greene

**SAMUEL ADAMS CERTIFICATE of APPRECIATION AWARDS:**

Allen Greene, Allan Perkins, Fred Jackson, Tom Jackson, Alex Thorne, Theron McLaren and Bobby Smith

**ROBERT MORRIS CERTIFICATE of APPRECIATION AWARDS:**

Allen Greene and Tom Jackson

**THOMAS PAINE CERTIFICATE of APPRECIATION AWARDS:**

Tom Jackson

**COLOR GUARD CERTIFICATE of APPRECIATION AWARDS:**

Allen Greene, Tom Jackson and John Worn

# Sons of the American Revolution



**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR**

**George Washington's Day Celebration**

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy FWY, Katy

**PATRICK HENRY CERTIFICATE of APPRECIATION AWARDS:**

Michael Bierman, Allen Greene, John Worn, James Hoffman, Fred Jackson, Tom Jackson, Bobby Smith and Allan Perkins

**THIS DAY IN HISTORY: March 01, 1781: Articles of Confederation are Ratified**

**SAR Recessional:**

"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."

**BENEDICTION:** Alex Thorne

**Meeting Adjourned**

President: Fred Jackson





# Robert Rankin Chapter #62

Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution

## Minutes of Annual Meeting



March 14, 2018

The meeting was opened by President Allen Greene at 6:45 pm which was preceded by dinner commencing at 6:00pm. Programs presented by SAR members were: Historical (2), Educational (1), and Patriotic (0). Those chapter members and guests in attendance are noted on the attached sign in sheets that are incorporated by reference in these minutes. 19 were present including 12 Compatriots and 7 guests. Color Guard members in attendance and in uniform: Allen Greene and Tom Jackson.

The meeting proceeded in accordance with the agenda, a copy of which is attached and is incorporated by reference in these minutes. In addition, any awards that were presented are also attached complete with the reasons for the award. The Minutes of the prior meeting were presented.

The invocation was given by Compatriot Alex Thorne.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Compatriot Bobby Smith.

The Pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Compatriot Bobby Smith.

The SAR Creed was led by Compatriot Bobby Smith. The following motion was passed in the open chapter meeting after being duly made and seconded:

Resolved that the officer slate be elected as presented including Allen Greene as President, Alex Thorne as Treasurer, Tom Jackson is Vice President & registrar and genealogist, Fred Jackson as Registrar and Michael Bierman as Secretary and further resolved that these officers are directed to complete all required bank documents and state society documents. The officers were inducted by Texas SAR President-elect Tom Jackson.

**This Day in History:** Compatriot Jerry Clanton spoke about Articles of Confederation are Ratified.


Tom Jackson did a presentation on Engineers and Revolutionary Soldiers.


**Educational Presentation:** Tom Jackson gave a Congress Update. Tom Jackson gave a Youth Competition Update.

**Patriotic Presentation:** None.

Compatriot Bobby Smith led the recessional and the Benediction was given by Compatriot Alex Thorne. President Allen Greene adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted this date of March 16, 2018.

  
Michael Bierman  
Secretary

  
Allen Greene  
President



# Robert Rankin Chapter #62

*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*  
*Minutes of Annual Meeting*



March 14, 2018

## In Attendance

### Compatriots present (7):

Michael Bierman  
Jerry Clanton  
Tom Jackson  
Allen Perkins  
Bobby Smith  
Norman Strey  
Alex Thorne

### Compatriots with spouses present (10):

Allen & Linda Greene  
Fred & Brenda Jackson  
Theron & Olga McLaren (DAR)  
Jack & Jennie Muggli  
David & Judy Zachmeyer

### Guests (2):

Bruce McMordie  
Nelma Strey

## Awards & Recognitions (SAR):

### George Washington Certificate of Appreciation Awards:

Tom Jackson, Alex Thorne, Michael Bierman, Jerry Clanton, and Allen Greene.

### Samuel Adams Certificate of Appreciation Awards:

Allen Greene, Allan Perkins, Fred Jackson, Tom Jackson, Alex Thorne, Theron McLeron, and Bobby Smith.

### Robert Morris Certificate of Appreciation Awards:

Allen Greene and Tom Jackson.

### Thomas Paine Certificate of Appreciation Award:

Tom Jackson

### Color Guard Certificate of Appreciation Awards:

Allen Greene, Tom Jackson, and John Worm.

### Patrick Henry Certificate of Appreciation Awards:

Michael Bierman, Allen Greene, John Worm, James Hoffman, Fred Jackson, Tom Jackson, Bobby Smith and Allen Perkins.

### War Service & Service to Veterans Medals Presentation:

Allan Perkins

### Knight Essay Contest Award Presentation: Tom Jackson

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### Brochure Contest Award Presentation: Tom Jackson

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## *Our March Meeting*

*March 14, 2018*



In the photo above L-R first row: Fred Jackson, Norman Strey, Allan Perkins, Jerry Clanton, Theron McClaren, and Bruce McMordie. Second row: Alan Greene, Bobby Smith, Michael Bierman, Alec Thorne, David Zachmeyer, Jack Muggli, and Tom Jackson.

### *Robert Rankin, Texas SAR Spring Creek Barbecue March Highlights Annual Meeting*

- ❖ We say thank you to our members and elect officers for the coming year.
- ❖ Texas SAR President Tom Jackson provided a Congress Update and announced the winners of the Youth Competition.
- ❖ Special recognition goes to Allan Perkins. He is the recipient of the War Service Medal with a Vietnam bar and Service to Veterans Medal.
- ❖ Compatriot Jerry Clanton gives This Day in History about the ratification of the Articles of Confederation.
- ❖ Compatriot Tom Jackson did a presentation on Engineers and Revolutionary Soldiers.



# Our March Meeting

March 14, 2018



From left to right, Tom Jackson, Allan Perkins, and President Allen Greene. Allan served in Vietnam and is also the National Chaplain for the Military Order of the Cooties. Everybody who serves in the military has the opportunity to be awarded a medal denoting their service. They are required to submit their DD214. Allan is the presented the War Service Medal with a Vietnam bar and Service to Veterans Medal.



VIETNAM





### **THIS DAY IN HISTORY: March 01, 1781: Articles of Confederation are Ratified**

On this day in 1781, the Articles of Confederation are finally ratified. The Articles were signed by Congress and sent to the individual states for ratification on November 15, 1777, after 16 months of debate. Bickering over land claims between Virginia and Maryland delayed final ratification for almost four more years. Maryland finally approved the Articles on March 1, 1781, affirming the Articles as the outline of the official government of the United States. The nation was guided by the Articles of Confederation until the implementation of the current U.S. Constitution in 1789.

The critical distinction between the Articles of Confederation and the U.S. Constitution —the primacy of the states under the Articles—is best understood by comparing the following lines.

The Articles of Confederation begin:

“To all to whom these Present shall come, we the undersigned Delegates of the States”

By contrast, the Constitution begins:

“We the People of the United States ... do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.”

The predominance of the states under the Articles of Confederation is made even more explicit by the claims of Article II:

“Each state retains its sovereignty, freedom, and independence, and every power, jurisdiction, and right, which is not by this Confederation expressly delegated to the United States, in Congress assembled.”

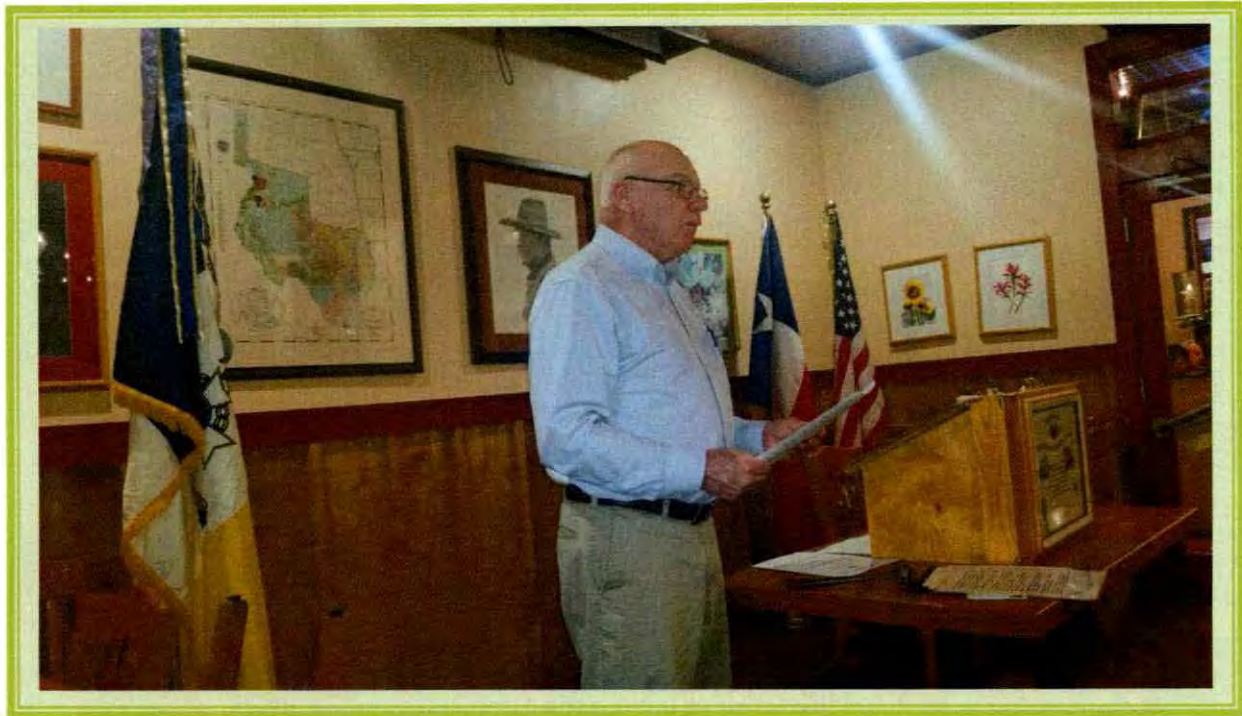
Less than five years after the ratification of the Articles of Confederation, enough leading Americans decided that the system was inadequate to the task of governance that they peacefully overthrew their second government in just over 20 years. The difference between a collection of sovereign states forming a confederation and a federal government created by a sovereign people lay at the heart of debate as the new American people decided what form their government would take.

Between 1776 and 1787, Americans went from living under a sovereign king, to living in sovereign states, to becoming a sovereign people. That transformation defined the American Revolution.



# Our March Meeting

March 14, 2018



Ratification of the Articles of Confederation by all thirteen states occurred March 1, 1781. The Articles created a loose confederation of sovereign states and a weak central government, leaving most of the power with the state governments.



# April



*The Death of General Warren at the Battle of Bunker's Hill* (painted 1786) by John Trumbull (1756 – 1843). Trumbull was a soldier of the Revolution and sketched the British works at the Battle of Bunker Hill, which he witnessed. He was a personal aide to Washington and deputy adjutant-general to Gates. Trumbull resigned from the army in 1777.

The painting hangs in the Boston Museum of Fine Art and depicts a charge by the British up Breed's Hill. The two details show the death of two leaders of the battle. Colonial leader General Dr. Joseph Warren is shown dying after being hit by a musket ball. In the lower insert, Major John Pitcairn, falling back dying in the arms of Lieutenant Pitcairn's, his son.

The photographs were taken by T. Jackson.



# Sons of the American Revolution



## ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR COLOR GUARD MEETING

Wednesday April 11, 2018

Social Time - 6:00 pm, Business - 6:45 pm.

Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy FWY, Katy

DINNER: Go through the serving line, get your dinner and pay for it and compatriots please put \$2.00 per person in our speaker funds box.

Regular Meeting starts at 6:45 pm

INVOCATION: Chaplain, Alex Thorne

### PLEDGES:

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

**"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands: one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."**

Texas Pledge

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INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: President, Allen Greene

PATRIOTS DAY CELEBRATION: The Real Story of Paul Revere

WHAT HAPPENED AT TEXAS SAR ANNUAL CONVENTION: Texas SAR President Thomas I Jackson



# Sons of the American Revolution



ANCESTOR PRESENTATION: Paul Revere

SAR Recessional

**"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."**

BENEDICTION: Chaplain, Alex Thorne

MEETING ADJORNED: President, Allen Greene

President: Allen Greene



# Robert Rankin Chapter #62

Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution

## Minutes of Color Guard Meeting



*April 11, 2018*

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The invocation was given by Compatriot Bobby Smith.

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The SAR Creed was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.

**This Day In History:** Compatriot Jim Hoffman spoke about Congress Proclaims an End to the War.


Michael Bierman talked about William Dawes. Jerry Clanton spoke about Dr. Warren Prescott. Allen Greene gave a speech about Paul Revere. Tom Jackson talked about the background for Lexington and Concord.

**Educational Presentation:** Tom Jackson spoke about what happened at the State Convention.

**Patriotic Presentation:** None.

Compatriot Allen Greene led the recessional and the Benediction was given by Compatriot Bobby Smith. President Allen Greene adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted this date of *April 13, 2018*.

  
Michael Bierman  
Secretary

  
Allen Greene  
President





## *Robert Rankin Chapter #62*

*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*

### *Minutes of Color Guard Meeting*



*April 11, 2018*

#### **In Attendance**

Compatriots present (7):

Michael Bierman  
Jerry Clanton  
Steve Graves  
Jim Hoffman  
Tom Jackson  
Norman Strey  
Alex Thorne

Guests (5):

Chris Colihan  
Chris Courter  
Dick Wimbish  
Robert Whitaker  
Nelma Strey

Compatriots with spouses present (8):

Allen & Linda Greene  
Bobby & Nita Smith  
Jack & Jennie Muggli  
David & Judy Zachmeyer

#### **Awards & Recognitions (SAR):**



# *Our April Meeting*

*April 11, 2018*



## *Robert Rankin, Texas SAR Spring Creek Barbecue April Meeting Highlights*

- ❖ Compatriots came together and celebrated Patriots Day by collaborating on the topic "Riders in the Night", a tale about Lexington & Concord.
- ❖ For This Day in History, President Allen Greene gave a speech about the real story of Paul Revere in honor of Patriots Day. The following compatriots contributed to the talk:
  - Michael Bierman talked about William Dawes
  - Jerry Clanton spoke about Dr. Warren Prescott
  - Tom Jackson talked about the background for Lexington and Concord
- ❖ James Hoffman spoke about Congress Proclaims an End to the War
- ❖ Texas SAR President Tom Jackson spoke about what happened at the 2018 Annual State Convention



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President Allen Greene (above) gives an insight into Paul Revere.

Michael E Bierman (below) talks about Dr. Samuel Prescott, a High Son of Liberty. He met his fiancée on the evening of April 18, 1775 in Lexington, and at 1 a.m. on the 19th, met with Paul Revere and William Dawes. With those two, he carried the message that the British were coming; but unlike Revere, did not get captured. Prescott was the primary courier of the message. Allen Greene looks on with rapt attention.





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James Hoffman (standing in the picture above) gives This Day in History, April 11, 1783, The Continental Congress issued a proclamation "Declaring the cessation of arms" against Great Britain. April 11, 1783 - The Continental Congress issued a proclamation "Declaring the cessation of arms" against Great Britain. April 15, 1783 - The preliminary articles of peace were approved by Congress.



It is a full house. The Rankin Chapter has three state officers, Allen Greene, District Vice President, Jack Muggli, State Registrar, and yours truly, State President.



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In the photo above l-r: Michael Bierman, Chris Colihan, Dick Wimbish, Chris Courtier, Robert Witaker and President Allen Greene. Christopher Steven Courter, a fellow CPA is transferring his membership to Rankin. Welcome!

In the photo below l-r: Michael Bierman, Steve Graves and President Allen Greene.



Patriot rider William Dawes is born

On this day in history, April 5, 1745, Patriot rider William Dawes is born. He is known for being the "other" rider who rode with Paul Revere to warn the patriots that the British were coming. Dawes was born in Boston, the fifth generation of English immigrants who came early in the 1600s to America. He was a tanner by trade and was a member of the Old South Church in Boston.

Dawes married in 1768 during the height of tensions with Britain and was applauded for wearing a suit at the wedding which was made completely in America, instead of one made in Great Britain. He was involved in the militia prior to the Revolution, but was not as central a figure in the Boston patriot movement as Paul Revere, Samuel Adams or John Hancock. He was well-known enough, however, that when Dr. Joseph Warren learned of British plans to confiscate the patriots' ammunition stores at Concord, one of the people he turned to was William Dawes.

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Dr. Samuel Prescott was one of the High Sons of Liberty who served as a courier to Patriots in the Lexington and Concord area during the American Revolution.

He met with his fiancée on the evening of April 18, 1775 in Lexington, and at 1 a.m. on the 19th, left by horseback for Concord, where he met with Paul Revere and William Dawes. With those two, he carried the message that the British were coming; but unlike Revere, did not get captured. Prescott was the primary courier of the message.

Prescott served as a physician in the Continental Army and served in General Arnold's disastrous Lake Champlain Campaign. He was captured and held in Fort Ticonderoga, where he died at a young age



## The Real Story of Paul Revere

In the spring of 1860, Harvard professor and well-regarded romantic poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow began working on a poem about an otherwise obscure messenger ride by American patriot Paul Revere on the evening of April 18-19, 1775. Longfellow hoped to use the story of Paul Revere's ride as a vehicle to warn the American Union that it was in danger of disintegrating (which it was). Even though there is good evidence that Longfellow knew the real story of Revere's ride (from Paul Revere's 1798 letter to Dr. Jeremy Belknap of the Massachusetts Historical Society, published in a magazine Longfellow had almost certainly read), Longfellow chose to simplify and re-arrange parts of the story in the interests of creating a better and more effective poem. In particular, Longfellow reversed the story of the famous signal lanterns hung in Christ Church tower to indicate that British troops had left Boston. According to Longfellow, Paul Revere was waiting "booted and spurred" in Charlestown across the river from Boston for the signal, whereas in fact Revere was still in Boston when the signals were shown. The signals were not "for" Paul Revere, but "from" Paul Revere to the Sons of Liberty in Charlestown, because Revere was apprehensive that he would be prevented from leaving Boston.

Longfellow also records Revere as arriving in both Lexington and Concord, when in fact Revere was captured outside of Lexington and never reached Concord (although his companion Dr. Prescott did). Perhaps most important is the fact that Longfellow presented Revere as a lone rider in opposition to the might of the British Empire, when in fact Revere was just a cog, although an important one, in an elaborate warning system set up by the Sons of Liberty to spread an alarm quickly and efficiently.

Unlike some historical events, a great deal is known about Paul Revere's ride, derived largely from his own accounts – the draft and finished version of a deposition taken soon after the Revolutionary War broke out, and the 1798 letter to Dr. Jeremy Belknap referred to above. On the evening of April 18, 1775, Paul Revere was sent for by Dr. Joseph Warren, the last major patriot leader left in Boston and a personal friend of Revere's. When he arrived at Dr. Warren's surgery, Revere found out 1) that British regular troops were preparing that evening to march into the countryside, probably to Concord, Massachusetts, to capture or

destroy military stores that had been gathered there. This was no surprise, as such a movement had been expected for several days. 2) Dr. Warren informed Revere that he had just received intelligence from his own spy network that the troops planned to stop in Lexington, Massachusetts, on the road to Concord and arrest Samuel Adams and John Hancock, patriot leaders who were staying in a house owned by one of Hancock's relatives (As it turned out, this intelligence was inaccurate). Dr. Warren "begged" Revere to stop in Lexington and warn Adams and Hancock to get out of the way of the British troops. Warren also informed Revere that he had already sent one messenger to Lexington – a Mr. William Dawes – who had taken the longer land route out Boston Neck, around Back Bay, and over the bridge into Cambridge, Massachusetts, by Harvard College.

After Revere conferred with Warren, he returned to his own neighborhood, where he contacted a "friend" (Revere was very careful not to identify anyone he did not need to, in case his deposition fell into the wrong hands) to climb up into the bell tower of Christ Church (today known as the Old North Church) to set the famous signals. The "friend" hung two lanterns, meaning the British planned to leave Boston "by sea" across the Charles River, as opposed to a single lantern, which would mean the troops planned to march entirely "by land," by the same route William Dawes had taken. Presumably the water route would be shorter, although as it turned out the troops were so slow it really mattered very little which way they went. Revere then stopped by his own house to pick up his boots and overcoat, then made his way to the North End waterfront, where two "friends" waited with a small boat to row him across the mouth of the Charles River. Successfully passing by the British warship HMS Somerset, that had been anchored close by where the ferries normally crossed to Charlestown, the two men dropped Revere off near the old Charlestown battery just outside of town. Making his way into Charlestown, Revere met with the local Sons of Liberty, who verified that they had seen his lantern signals (which by then were no longer necessary). Revere then borrowed a horse from Charlestown patriot John Larkin (who actually had to get the horse from his father, Samuel Larkin) and then set off through the countryside northwest towards Lexington and Concord.

Narrowly escaping capture by a British patrol just outside of Charlestown, Revere charged his planned route somewhat and arrived in Lexington just past midnight. We do not know what he said at each of the houses along the road. We do know exactly what he said when he got to Lexington, however, as there was a sentry on



duty outside the house where Adams and Hancock lodged, and that sentry, a Sergeant Monroe, later wrote down what happened. As Revere approached the house, Monroe told him not to make so much noise, that everyone in the house had retired for the night. Revere cried "Noise! You'll have noise enough before long! The regulars are coming out!" Despite this, Revere still had trouble convincing the sentry to let him pass until John Hancock, who was still awake and heard the commotion, recognized Revere's voice and said "Oh, you, Revere. We are not afraid of you" after which Revere was allowed to enter the house and deliver his news.

About 30 minutes later William Dawes arrived. The two messengers "refreshed themselves" (probably got something to eat and drink) and then decided to continue on to the town of Concord, to verify that the military stores had been properly dispersed and hidden away. Along the road they were joined by a third man, a Dr. Samuel Prescott, who they recognized as a "High Son of Liberty." Soon afterwards they were all stopped by a British patrol. Dawes, who had probably turned aside to alarm a house, noticed what was going on and made his escape. The British herded Prescott and Revere into a nearby meadow, when Prescott suddenly said "Put on!" (meaning scatter) and the two patriots suddenly rode off in different directions. Prescott, a local man, successfully eluded capture, and alarmed the militia in Lincoln and Concord; Revere chose the wrong patch of woods to head for and was recaptured by more British soldiers. Held for a while, questioned, and even threatened, Revere was eventually released, although his horse was confiscated. Making his way back into Lexington on foot, Revere assisted Adams and Hancock to leave for Woburn, Massachusetts. Revere and Hancock's secretary, a Mr. Lowell, were engaged in carrying away a trunk of papers that Hancock had left behind when the British troops marched onto Lexington Green. Revere reported that he could hear the gunshots and see the smoke from the musket fire when the skirmish of Lexington Green began, but he could not identify who had fired first, as a building just then obscured his view. This is probably why Revere's deposition was not included with the others when they were published soon after the war began. Revere's deposition (draft and final copy) can today be found in the Revere Family Papers at the Massachusetts Historical Society, along with Revere's 1798 letter to Dr. Jeremy Belknap.



# May



The *Surrender of General Burgoyne At Saratoga* by **John Trumbull (1756 – 1843)** is an oil on canvas measuring 12' x 18'. It was finished in 1821 and placed 1826 in the Rotunda of the U.S. Capitol. Depicted in this painting is the surrender of British General John Burgoyne to American General Horatio Gates at Saratoga, New York on October 17, 1777.

The British surrender occurs after two previous battles lost by the British while they awaited reinforcements that never arrived. This turning point in the American Revolution brought the French into the war and prevented the British from carving off the New England.

(The image was captured at: <http://www.aoc.gov/capitol-hill/historic-rotunda-paintings/surrender-general-burgoyne>. )





**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR  
COLOR GUARD MEETING**

Wednesday May 9, 2018  
Social Time - 6:00 pm, Business - 6:45 pm.  
Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy FWY, Katy

DINNER: Go through the serving line, get your dinner and pay for it and compatriots please put \$2.00 per person in our speaker funds box.

Regular Meeting starts at 6:45 pm

INVOCATION: Chaplain, Alex Thorne

PLEDGES:

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

**"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands: one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."**

Texas Pledge

**"Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."**

SAR Creed

**"We, the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."**

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: President, Allen Greene

CLAYTON LIBRARY RESOURCES: Susan Kaufman



2018 NATIONAL CONGRESS: Texas SAR President Thomas I Jackson

AWARDS PRESENTATION: Allan Perkins

Military Service Medal: David M. Zachmeyer

THIS DAY IN HISTORY: May 4, 1776, Rhode Island first state to declare independence

ANCESTOR PRESENTATION:

SAR Recessional

**"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."**

BENEDICTION: Chaplain, Alex Thorne

MEETING ADJORNED: President, Allen Greene

President: Allen Greene





# Robert Rankin Chapter #62

Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution

## Minutes of Color Guard Meeting



May 9, 2018

The meeting was opened by President Allen Greene at 6:45 pm which was preceded by dinner commencing at 6:00pm. Programs presented by SAR members were: Historical (1), Educational (2), and Patriotic (1). Those chapter members and guests in attendance are noted on the attached sign in sheets that are incorporated by reference in these minutes. 13 were present including 7 Compatriots and 6 guests. Color Guard members in attendance and in uniform: Allen Greene and Tom Jackson.

The meeting proceeded in accordance with the agenda, a copy of which is attached and is incorporated by reference in these minutes. In addition, any awards that were presented are also attached complete with the reasons for the award. The Minutes of the prior meeting were presented.

The invocation was given by Compatriot Jerry Clanton.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Compatriot Michael Bierman.

The Pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Compatriot Michael Bierman.

The SAR Creed was led by Compatriot Michael Bierman.

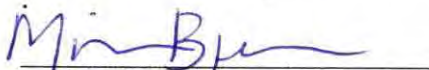
**This Day In History:** Compatriot Bruce Alfredson spoke about Rhode Island the first state to declare independence.

**Educational Presentation:** Tom Jackson spoke about the 2018 National Congress. Susan Kaufman spoke about the resources at the Clayton Library.

**Patriotic Presentation:** Tom Jackson gave presentation about Benjamin Lincoln.

Compatriot Michael Bierman led the recessional and the Benediction was given by Compatriot Jerry Clanton. President Allen Greene adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted this date of *May 11, 2018*.

  
Michael Bierman  
Secretary

  
Allen Greene  
President



## *Robert Rankin Chapter #62*

*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*

### *Minutes of Color Guard Meeting*



*May 9, 2018*

#### **In Attendance**

Compatriots present (4):

Bruce Alfredson  
Michael Bierman  
Jerry Clanton  
Tom Jackson

Guests (3):

Bruce McMordie  
Bernice Mistrot  
Susan Kaufman

Compatriots with spouses present (6):

Allen & Linda Greene  
Jack & Jennie Muggli  
David & Judy Zachmeyer

#### **Awards & Recognitions (SAR):**

Military Service Medal: David Zachmeyer



## *Our May Meeting*

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President Allen Greene opens the May meeting at Spring Creek Barbecue. The Willowfork Country Club was flooded by Harvey and is still not open.

### *Robert Rankin, Texas SAR Spring Creek Barbecue May Meeting Highlights*

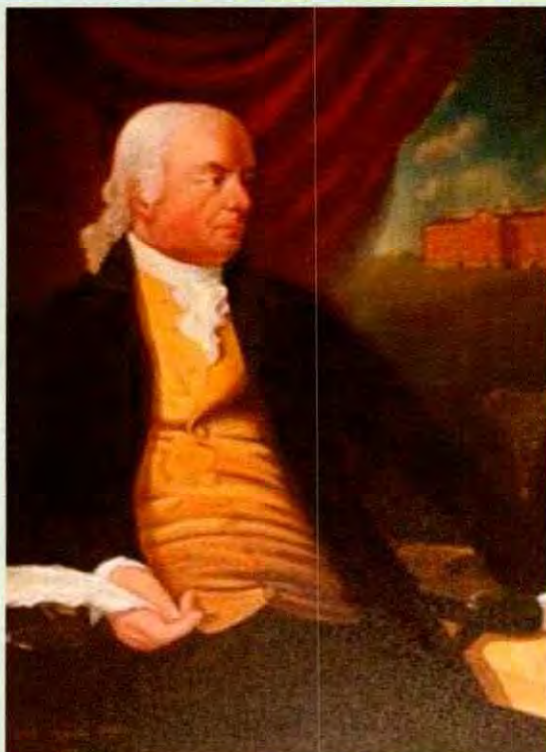
- ❖ The speaker for the evening is Susan Kaufman, head librarian of the Carlton Library.
- ❖ Bruce Alfredson spoke about Rhode Island's declaration of independence.
- ❖ Tom Jackson talked Benjamin Lincoln.
- ❖ Texas SAR President Tom Jackson spoke about plans for the 2018 National Congress to be held in Houston at the Westin Memorial City.



## Our May Meeting

May 9, 2018

Bruce Alfredson, shown to the right, speaks of Rhode Island being the first state to declare independence!



Stephen Hopkins, shown above, is considered the father of Rhode Island independence.

The month of May is special for our smallest state. On May 29, 1790 Rhode Island achieved statehood. Rhode Island independence was declared two months before the other 12 colonies got around to formally breaking ties with King George III. On May 4, 1776, the General Assembly of the Colony of Rhode Island declared its absolute independence from Great Britain. They voted nearly unanimously, thus making Rhode Island the first independent sovereign state in the western world. The colony drew on its traditions of radical religious dissent as well as protecting its commercial interests. Newport and Providence, both prosperous centers of transatlantic trade, sheltered pirates and smugglers. Merchants chafed at Britain's attempts to tighten control over commercial shipping in Narragansett Bay.

Parliament passed the Sugar Act of 1764 raising the tariff on molasses. That provoked Rhode Islanders into attacking the customs ship HMS St. John in 1764, the HMS Liberty in 1769, and the HMS Gaspee in 1772. Abraham Whipple and John Brown led the Sons of Liberty in attacking, looting, boarding and burning the vessel. A Royal Commission of Inquiry charged the men with treason, and the prospect of Americans going to England for trial sent an alarm through the colonies. Ultimately the Commission dropped the matter.



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President Allan Greene (pictured left), along with President Tom Jackson (pictured right) present the Military Service Medal to Dave Zachmeyer.



## Our May Meeting

May 9, 2018

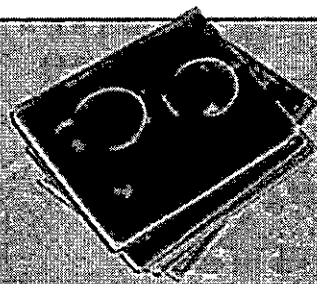


Susan Kaufman, our speaker, is the Manager of the Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research / Houston Public Library and also the Director of Education for the Texas State Genealogical Society; she was previously its President. She is responsible for planning genealogical education opportunities in house and via web for the Texas State Genealogical Society.



The Carriage House above. "We try and collect at least one thing from every county and parish in the United States," Kaufman says. "We've gone beyond that. In our international collection we try and collect things from Great Britain, Germany, Canada, Mexico. Our strength is the Gulf Coast." There is a fact-based system, and information can be gleaned from wills, deeds, marriages, divorces, deaths, court minutes and records, church and cemetery records, tax information, colonial collections, and directories from the 19th and 20th centuries. Kaufman says they also have unusual resources including microfilm and documents that aren't digitized due to copyright issues. Kaufman says it's the mission of her team to help interested persons get started by understanding the method behind the pursuit. For example, Harris County only began sending birth records to Austin in 1908, and marriage records weren't sent prior to 1965. So, one place to start would be the federal census, which is made available to the public after 72 years.





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**Manuscripts and Special Collections**

Susan D Kaufman | Senior Manager | Houston Public Library  
Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research  
[www.houstonlibrary.org](http://www.houstonlibrary.org)

**Introduction**

Often searching for family history takes us to the computer to see “what’s out there.” We find a collection in our geographic area of research, and we put a name in the box and see what we get. Or, if we do find a digital image of a manuscript collection, it isn’t indexed and we must look through the whole thing. Or worse yet, we can’t find anything online, and the only copies are at a brick and mortar building. Often all we get is a finding aid, not the “stuff.”

Searching and finding digital collections, finding out where collections are held and what is in them can be challenging yet rewarding. This research might not be 30 second research, meaning we might not find the “answer” right away, we might have to spend time reading and searching, but in the long run, manuscripts and special collections might help answer the “why” or “how.” At the very least, it will add information to your genealogy, making it a family history.

**Definitions**

**Manuscript Collection**

- Often a collection of papers in an archival collection
- The Society for American Archivists defines manuscript collection as: n. ~ A collection of personal or family papers.
- Although manuscript literally means handwritten, ‘manuscript collection’ is often used to include collections of mixed media in which unpublished materials predominate. They may also include typescripts, photographs, diaries, scrapbooks, news clippings, and printed works.
- The kinds of records are extremely diverse: letters, diaries, notebooks, speeches, lectures, drafts of books and articles, research or reference files, cutting books, photographs, drawings, minute books, agenda papers, logbooks, financial records, maps and plans.

**Special Collection**

- A special collection is a group of items, such as rare books or documents, that are either irreplaceable or unusually rare and valuable.
- For this reason, special collections are stored separately from the regular library collections in a secure location with environmental controls to preserve the items for posterity.
- Special collections also include rare items that are focused on a single topic, such as aviation or women's history.
- Special collections are created to benefit scholars by grouping related materials together in one repository.
- Often a repository will specialize in a limited number of subject areas for their special collections, to distinguish the institution from other libraries. (Purdue Univ Libraries)

## Finding Aid

- A tool that facilitates discovery of information within a collection of records.
- A description of records that gives the repository physical and intellectual control over the materials and that assists users to gain access to and understand the materials.
- Finding aid includes a wide range of formats, including card indexes, calendars, guides, inventories, shelf and container lists, and registers. - Finding aid is a single document that places the materials in context by consolidating information about the collection, such as acquisition and processing; provenance, including administrative history or biographical note; scope of the collection, including size, subjects, media; organization and arrangement; and an inventory of the series and the folders.

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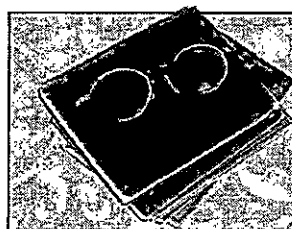
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## EXHAUSTIVE SOURCE CHECKLIST

### Family Records

#### Personal/Family Records

☐ Account books  
☐ Address books  
☐ Awards, citations,  
or trophies  
☐ Baby  
announcements  
☐ Baby books  
☐ Business & farm  
records  
☐ Calling cards  
☐ Citizenship papers  
☐ Club & organization  
memberships  
☐ Death  
announcements  
☐ Draft cards  
☐ Drivers licenses  
☐ Family Bibles  
☐ Family  
correspondence  
☐ Family needlework  
☐ Funeral programs,  
books, & cards  
☐ Graduation  
announcements  
☐ Greeting cards  
☐ Heirlooms &  
artifacts  
☐ Income tax forms  
☐ Interviews with  
family members  
☐ Journals/diaries  
☐ Legal Papers  
☐ Letters & postcards  
☐ Medical records  
☐ Memoirs  
☐ Memorial cards  
☐ Military awards  
☐ Military records  
☐ Newspaper  
clippings

☐ Oral traditions

☐ Personal  
knowledge

☐ Photographs  
☐ Prayer cards  
☐ Recipe books  
☐ Scrapbooks  
☐ Social Security  
cards

☐ Telegrams  
☐ Vaccination  
certificates

☐ Wedding  
announcements  
☐ Wedding books/  
albums

#### Certificates/Vital Records

☐ Adoption  
☐ Baptism  
☐ Birth  
☐ Confirmation  
☐ Corrected birth  
record  
☐ Death  
☐ Delayed birth  
☐ Divorce  
☐ Frankfur  
☐ Graduation  
☐ Manumission  
☐ Marriage  
☐ Social Security  
application SS-5  
☐ Doctors' &  
midwives' journals

#### Marriage Records

☐ Annulments  
☐ Applications  
☐ Banns  
☐ Bonds  
☐ Contracts  
☐ Divorce decrees

☐ Indexes

☐ Licenses  
☐ Returns

#### School Records

(i.e. attendance  
reports, awards, class  
pictures, diplomas,  
enrollment, grade  
reports, graduation  
certificates,  
scholarships, school  
photos, transcripts,  
yearbooks, etc.)

☐ Elementary  
☐ Secondary  
☐ Private  
☐ Ladies finishing  
☐ Vocational  
☐ Trade school  
☐ Art school  
☐ College  
☐ University  
☐ Alumni directories  
☐ Apprenticeship  
records  
☐ Honor Societies  
☐ Publications  
☐ School censuses  
☐ School newspapers  
☐ School reunion  
records

#### Cemetery & Funeral Home Records

☐ Burial permits  
☐ Burial registers  
☐ Cemetery office  
☐ Cemetery deeds  
☐ Church records  
☐ Funeral books  
☐ Funeral cards  
☐ Funeral home  
records

☐ Grave<sup>1</sup>-relocation  
records

☐ Monuments &  
tombstones

☐ Perpetual care  
☐ Plats  
☐ Sexton's records  
☐ Tombstone  
inscriptions

#### Land & Property Records

☐ Abstracts  
☐ Bounty land  
warrants  
☐ Deeds  
☐ Grants  
☐ Grantee indexes  
☐ Grantor indexes  
☐ Homestead records  
☐ Land partitions  
☐ Leases  
☐ Mortgages  
☐ Patents  
☐ Plats and maps  
☐ Promissory notes  
☐ Surveys  
☐ Tax rolls  
☐ Water/ mineral  
rights

#### Immigration Records

☐ Alien registration  
cards  
☐ Border crossings  
☐ Change of name  
☐ Citizenship papers  
☐ Crew lists  
☐ Customs records  
☐ Declaration of  
intention  
☐ Deportations  
☐ Emigration list

\_\_\_ Immigrant aid societies  
\_\_\_ Naturalization certificate  
\_\_\_ Oaths of allegiance  
\_\_\_ Passenger lists  
\_\_\_ Passports  
\_\_\_ Passport applications  
\_\_\_ Petition to naturalize  
\_\_\_ Register of seamen  
\_\_\_ Visas

#### **Court Records**

\_\_\_ Adoption records  
\_\_\_ Case Files  
\_\_\_ Civil records  
\_\_\_ Coroners' files  
\_\_\_ Criminal records  
\_\_\_ Custody papers  
\_\_\_ Dockets  
\_\_\_ Foreclosures  
\_\_\_ Insanity / commitment orders  
\_\_\_ Judgments  
\_\_\_ Jury lists  
\_\_\_ Justice of the Peace records  
\_\_\_ Lawyers briefs  
\_\_\_ Licenses & permits  
\_\_\_ Military discharges  
\_\_\_ Minute(s) books  
\_\_\_ Name changes  
\_\_\_ Orders, decrees  
\_\_\_ Sheriffs' records  
\_\_\_ Sheriffs' sales  
\_\_\_ Voter registration  
\_\_\_ Wills

#### **Church / Temple Records**

\_\_\_ Admission  
\_\_\_ Annulment  
\_\_\_ Baptism or christening records  
\_\_\_ Bar/Bat Mitzvah  
\_\_\_ Burial Records  
\_\_\_ Church archives  
\_\_\_ Church histories  
\_\_\_ Confirmation records

\_\_\_ Deaths  
\_\_\_ Dedication records  
\_\_\_ Disciplinary proceedings  
\_\_\_ Marriages  
\_\_\_ Meeting minutes  
\_\_\_ Membership lists  
\_\_\_ Ministers' journals  
\_\_\_ Minutes  
\_\_\_ Mission(ary) reports  
\_\_\_ Ordination  
\_\_\_ Removal records  
\_\_\_ Seminary records  
\_\_\_ Transfer  
\_\_\_ Vestry Records  
\_\_\_ Voter registers

#### **Institutional Records**

\_\_\_ Almshouses  
\_\_\_ Charities  
\_\_\_ Convents  
\_\_\_ Fraternal organizations  
\_\_\_ Hospitals  
\_\_\_ Orphanages / orphan agencies  
\_\_\_ Mission societies  
\_\_\_ Police / jails  
\_\_\_ Prisons  
\_\_\_ Reunion registries  
\_\_\_ Seminaries  
\_\_\_ State schools  
\_\_\_ Work-farms

#### **Military Records**

\_\_\_ Colonial wars  
\_\_\_ Revolutionary War  
\_\_\_ Frontier conflicts  
\_\_\_ War of 1812  
\_\_\_ Indian wars  
\_\_\_ Mexican War  
\_\_\_ Civil War  
\_\_\_ Spanish-American War  
\_\_\_ World War I  
\_\_\_ World War II  
\_\_\_ Korean War  
\_\_\_ Vietnam War  
\_\_\_ Army  
\_\_\_ Navy  
\_\_\_ Marine

\_\_\_ Air Force  
\_\_\_ Coast Guard  
\_\_\_ National Guard  
\_\_\_ Application for military headstone  
\_\_\_ Bounty land awards  
\_\_\_ Citations  
\_\_\_ Claims for losses  
\_\_\_ Disability  
\_\_\_ Discharges  
\_\_\_ Draft records  
\_\_\_ Enlistment records  
\_\_\_ Form DD214 (WWII on)  
\_\_\_ Military burials  
\_\_\_ Military grave marker  
\_\_\_ Military memorials  
\_\_\_ Muster rolls  
\_\_\_ Payroll records  
\_\_\_ Pension files/ applications  
\_\_\_ Ribbons  
\_\_\_ Selective Service Board  
\_\_\_ Service records  
\_\_\_ Signing bonus/ bounty  
\_\_\_ Vets. Admin. Records  
\_\_\_ Veterans organizations  
\_\_\_ Veteran records

#### **Tax Records**

\_\_\_ Personal property  
\_\_\_ Poll tax  
\_\_\_ Poor rate  
\_\_\_ Property tax receipts  
\_\_\_ Real estate  
\_\_\_ School  
\_\_\_ Social Security  
\_\_\_ Tax exemptions  
\_\_\_ Tithe lists

#### **Probate Records**

\_\_\_ Indexes  
\_\_\_ Administrations  
\_\_\_ Administrator/ executor  
\_\_\_ Bonds

\_\_\_ Estate inventories  
\_\_\_ Estate records  
\_\_\_ Guardianships  
\_\_\_ Packets  
\_\_\_ Settlements  
\_\_\_ Wills

#### **Insurance**

##### **Records/Policies**

\_\_\_ Automobile  
\_\_\_ Fire  
\_\_\_ Health  
\_\_\_ Homeowner  
\_\_\_ Life  
\_\_\_ Marine

#### **Public Sources**

##### **U.S. Federal Census**

\_\_\_ 1790 \_\_\_ 1870  
\_\_\_ 1800 \_\_\_ 1880  
\_\_\_ 1810 \_\_\_ 1890  
\_\_\_ 1820 \_\_\_ 1900  
\_\_\_ 1830 \_\_\_ 1910  
\_\_\_ 1840 \_\_\_ 1920  
\_\_\_ 1850 \_\_\_ 1930  
\_\_\_ 1860 \_\_\_ 1940

##### **Additional Census Data**

\_\_\_ Agriculture schedules (1840 to 1880)  
\_\_\_ American Indian (special censuses)  
\_\_\_ Civil War veterans schedules (1890)  
\_\_\_ Defective, dependent & delinquent schedules (1880)  
\_\_\_ Manufacturing /industry schedules (1810, 1820, 1850 to 1880)  
\_\_\_ Mortality schedules (1850 to 1880)  
\_\_\_ Slave schedules (1850, 1860)  
\_\_\_ Social statistics schedules (1850 to 1880)  
\_\_\_ State and local censuses



## **Employment records**

- \_\_\_ Employment records
- \_\_\_ Account books
- \_\_\_ Apprenticeships
- \_\_\_ Indentures
- \_\_\_ Licenses
- \_\_\_ Pensions
- \_\_\_ Personnel files
- \_\_\_ Railroad, mining & factory records
- \_\_\_ Service awards
- \_\_\_ Trade directories
- \_\_\_ Union cards
- \_\_\_ Work associations

## **Newspapers**

- \_\_\_ Indexes
- \_\_\_ Advertisements
- \_\_\_ Anniversary notices
- \_\_\_ Annulments
- \_\_\_ Auctions
- \_\_\_ Bankruptcies
- \_\_\_ Biographies
- \_\_\_ Births
- \_\_\_ Convictions
- \_\_\_ Court Claims
- \_\_\_ Death notices
- \_\_\_ Divorce notices
- \_\_\_ Engagements
- \_\_\_ Ethnic newspapers
- \_\_\_ Family reunion announcements
- \_\_\_ Family stories
- \_\_\_ Forced sales
- \_\_\_ Gossip & advice columns
- \_\_\_ Historical vignettes
- \_\_\_ Legal notices
- \_\_\_ Local news
- \_\_\_ Marriages
- \_\_\_ Milestones
- \_\_\_ Military notices
- \_\_\_ Obituaries
- \_\_\_ Probate notices
- \_\_\_ Regional correspondents
- \_\_\_ Religious newspapers

- \_\_\_ Runaway notices (slaves, indentured servants, wives)
- \_\_\_ Sheriff sales
- \_\_\_ Ship arrivals
- \_\_\_ Ship departures
- \_\_\_ Unclaimed mail

## **Periodicals**

- \_\_\_ Genealogies
- \_\_\_ Historical articles
- \_\_\_ Indexes
- \_\_\_ Periodical source index (PERSI)
- \_\_\_ Queries
- \_\_\_ Source extracts

## **Memberships**

- \_\_\_ Fraternal organizations
- \_\_\_ Fraternities/ Sororities
- \_\_\_ Lineage societies
- \_\_\_ Professional organizations
- \_\_\_ Veterans organizations
- \_\_\_ Work associations

## **Compiled Sources**

### **Printed Sources**

- \_\_\_ American genealogical & biographical index
- \_\_\_ Biographies
- \_\_\_ County & local histories
- \_\_\_ Family group sheets
- \_\_\_ Family histories
- \_\_\_ Genealogies
- \_\_\_ Lineage society publications
- \_\_\_ Prepared pedigrees
- \_\_\_ Prepared ahnentafels
- \_\_\_ Record abstracts & transcriptions

### **Directories**

- \_\_\_ Biographical
- \_\_\_ City directories

- \_\_\_ County/rural directories
- \_\_\_ Professional
- \_\_\_ Occupational
- \_\_\_ Telephone books
- \_\_\_ Trade/business directories
- \_\_\_ Who's Who directories

## **Collections**

- \_\_\_ Indexes
- \_\_\_ Biographies
- \_\_\_ Business records
- \_\_\_ Correspondence
- \_\_\_ (DAR) Daughters of the American Revolution
- \_\_\_ Inscriptions
- \_\_\_ Manuscript collections
- \_\_\_ National Union Manuscript Catalog
- \_\_\_ Oral histories
- \_\_\_ Periodical source index (PERSI)
- \_\_\_ Personal papers
- \_\_\_ Surname files
- \_\_\_ Vertical files
- \_\_\_ WPA projects

## **Places**

- \_\_\_ Libraries
- \_\_\_ Genealogical societies
- \_\_\_ Historical societies
- \_\_\_ National archives
- \_\_\_ State archives

## **Internet or Library Paid Databases**

- \_\_\_ Ancestry.com
- \_\_\_ Chronicling America.loc.gov
- \_\_\_ Digital Public Library of America (dp.la)
- \_\_\_ FamilySearch.org
- \_\_\_ FindMyPast.com
- \_\_\_ Fold3
- \_\_\_ Genealogy Bank.com

- \_\_\_ Google.com
- \_\_\_ Heritage Quest
- \_\_\_ Internet Archives (Archive.org)
- \_\_\_ My Heritage
- \_\_\_ Newspapers.com
- \_\_\_ World Vital Records
- \_\_\_ WorldCat.org
- \_\_\_ Other newspaper archives
- \_\_\_ etc.

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## American General Benjamin Lincoln dies

On this day in history, May 9, 1810, American General Benjamin Lincoln dies. Benjamin Lincoln was born into a prominent family in Hingham, Massachusetts, 16 miles southeast of Boston, in 1733. His father was wealthy and politically active and Benjamin followed in his footsteps, becoming the town constable at the age of 21 and the town clerk at the age of 24. Lincoln also joined the Suffolk County militia as an adjutant under his father who was the colonel.

Lincoln held town posts for 20 years leading up to the Revolution and became known for his administrative ability. He did not serve in combat during the French and Indian War, but was involved in procuring supplies, recruitment and training of his father's regiment. Shortly before the outbreak of the Revolution, Lincoln was elected to the colonial assembly and became a lieutenant colonel in the militia.

When British Governor Thomas Gage dissolved the colonial assembly in 1774, the representatives continued to meet as a provincial congress. Lincoln became the Congress' secretary and held several key administrative positions supplying the army. When the war broke out he became a Major General over the militia. After the British abandoned Boston, Lincoln was given command of a Massachusetts regiment sent to join the Continental Army at New York. They saw action at the Battle of White Plains, but soon returned to Massachusetts, as their enlistment terms had expired.

In 1777, Lincoln was appointed a major general in the Continental Army on the advice of George Washington. He was sent to assist in repelling the British invasion from Canada and took part in the Battles of Saratoga, where he was shot in the ankle, an injury that would plague him for years.

In 1778, Lincoln was given command over the Southern Department of the Continental Army where the British were attempting to take over Georgia and South Carolina. His efforts were



constantly plagued by the unwillingness of local authorities to cooperate with the Army. He was constantly short on soldiers and supplies. He successfully repelled an invasion attempt on Charleston in May, 1779, but failed to capture Savannah in October. Lincoln's worst failure occurred in May of 1780 when his entire army was captured at the Siege of Charleston, the largest American defeat of the entire war.

In spite of this failure, Lincoln retained his good standing in the eyes of Washington and the Congress, largely because he had obeyed the civilian authorities in Charleston who didn't want him to abandon the town. After being exchanged as a prisoner of war, Lincoln was given command of one of three regiments that marched with George Washington to Yorktown, Virginia. Lincoln was the overall general in charge of the siege and, as second in command to Washington, received the surrendered sword of British General Cornwallis from his second in command, General Charles O'Hara.

After Yorktown, Lincoln was made the first Secretary of War by the Confederation Congress until the end of the war. Returning to Massachusetts, Lincoln invested in land in Maine and retained his position as first Major General of the militia. In this position, Lincoln led an army that put down Shay's Rebellion in 1787. Lincoln then served at the Massachusetts Constitutional Ratifying Convention where he supported the Constitution's adoption and served a term as lieutenant governor.

Once George Washington became President, he appointed Lincoln to the influential post of Customs Collector for Boston. He held this lucrative position for the rest of his life. Washington called on him a few times to conduct sensitive negotiations with Indian tribes as well. Lincoln finally passed away in 1810 in Hingham and is buried in the Old Ship Burying Ground.

<http://www.revolutionary-war-and-beyond.com>

Jack Manning

Treasurer General

National Society Sons of the American Revolution

[www.sar.org](http://www.sar.org)

"The principle of spending money to be paid by posterity, under the name of funding, is but swindling futurity on a large scale."

Thomas Jefferson (1816)



# September



*Scene at the Signing of the Constitution of the United States*, by Howard Chandler Christy, hangs along the east stairway in the House of Representatives wing in the Capitol building.

The scene depicts the signing the U.S. Constitution at Independence Hall in Philadelphia on September 17, 1787. The painting was finished by Christy in April 1940. Appropriately enough it is painted on a sail canvas.

(The painting was excerpted from:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scene\\_at\\_the\\_Signing\\_of\\_the\\_Constitution\\_of\\_the\\_United\\_States.\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scene_at_the_Signing_of_the_Constitution_of_the_United_States.)



# Sons of the American Revolution



## **ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR CONSTITUTION CELEBRATION**

Social Time - 6:00 PM, Celebration 6:45 PM to 7:45 PM

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Willow Fork Country Club, 21005 Westheimer Pkwy, Katy, TX

**DINNER:** Order your dinner and pay for it and put \$2.00 per person in our speaker funds box.

**INVOCATION:** Chaplain, Alex Thorne

### **PLEDGES:**

#### Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands: one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

#### Texas Pledge

"Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

#### SAR Creed

"We, the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** President, Allen Greene

**TEXAS SAR PRESIDENT:** Texas SAR President Tom Jackson

**9/11 REMEMBRANCE:** Texas SAR President Tom Jackson

**ANCESTOR PRESENTATION: JOHN ADAMS:**

**THIS DAY IN HISTORT:** Washington reports to Congress on Battle of Harlem Heights

*Sons of the American Revolution*



**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR  
COLOR GUARD MEETING**

Business – 7:45 pm.

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Willow Fork Country Club, 21005 Westheimer Pkwy, Katy, TX

**CONSTITUTION DAY CELEBRATION:**

**MARANDA:** Michael Essmyer, Essmyer & Daniel, P.C.

**SAR Recessional:**

"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."

**BENEDICTION:** Chaplain, Alex Thorne

**Meeting Adjourned**

President: Allen Greene





## Robert Rankin Chapter #62

Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution

### Minutes of Color Guard Meeting

Constitution Day Celebration



September 12, 2018

The meeting was opened by President Allen Greene at 6:45 pm which was preceded by dinner commencing at 6:00pm. Programs presented by SAR members were: Historical (2), Educational (1), and Patriotic (1). Those chapter members and guests in attendance are noted on the attached sign in sheets that are incorporated by reference in these minutes. 16 were present including 9 Compatriots and 7 guests. Color Guard members in attendance and in uniform: Allen Greene and Tom Jackson.

The meeting proceeded in accordance with the agenda, a copy of which is attached and is incorporated by reference in these minutes. In addition, any awards that were presented are also attached complete with the reasons for the award. The Minutes of the prior meeting were presented.

The invocation was given by Compatriot Allan Perkins.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.

The Pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.

The SAR Creed was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.

**This Day In History:** Compatriot Allan Perkins spoke about Washington's report to Congress on Battle of Harlem Heights.


**Educational Presentation:** Michael Essmyer of Essmyer & Daniel, P.C. gave an informative presentation on Maranda and the Maranda rights.

**Patriotic Presentation:** Michael Bierman gave presentation about John Adams.

**Historical Presentation:** Tom Jackson gave presentation on the remembrance of 9/11.

Compatriot Allen Greene led the recessional and the Benediction was given by Compatriot Allan Perkins. President Allen Greene adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted this date of *September 18, 2018*.

  
Michael Bierman  
Secretary

  
Allen Greene  
President



## *Robert Rankin Chapter #62*

*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*

### *Minutes of Color Guard Meeting*

*Constitution Day Celebration*



*September 12, 2018*

#### **In Attendance**

Compatriots present (6):

Michael Bierman  
Allen Greene  
Tom Jackson  
Mark Landt  
Allan Perkins  
Bobby Smith

Compatriots with spouses present (6):

Bruce & Kathleen McMordie  
Jack & Jennie Muggli  
David & Judy Zachmeyer

Guests (4):

Michael & Cynthia Essmyer  
Bernice Mistrot  
Bill Sorrell

#### **Awards & Recognitions (SAR):**

Law Enforcement Award: Michael Essmyer



# *Our September Meeting*

## *Celebration of our Constitution*

September 12, 2018



Presenting is our main speaker Michael Essmyer.

### *Robert Rankin, Texas SAR*

### *Willow Fork Country Club*

### *September Highlights*

- ❖ Attorney Michael Essmyer is our speaker.
- ❖ Texas SAR President Tom Jackson talks about National Congress highlights hosted by the Texas Society.
- ❖ Compatriot Tom Jackson talks about September 11, 2011, Hurricane Harvey & Hurricane Independence.
- ❖ Michael Bierman presents This Day in History on General Washington's report to Congress on the Battle of Harlem Heights
- ❖ Allan Perkins gives the Ancestor presentation on John Adams



## *Our September Meeting*

### *Celebration of our Constitution*

*September 12, 2018*

Texas SAR President Tom Jackson and Robert Rankin Chapter President Allan Greene present Michael Essmyer (center) with The Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. Michael is the first non-law enforcement receive the medal.



Michael M Essmyer has been in private practice in Houston for over thirty-one years. He practices civil and criminal law. He founded and is a senior partner in the firm Essmyer & Daniel, P.C.

He has appeared before all court levels from Municipal Court, to appellate courts to appeals to the United States Supreme Court, some of which resulted in appellate reversals by the United States Supreme Court. His appellate appearances include the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First, Fifth, Seventh, and Ninth Circuit Appellate Courts, and the Southern, Northern, Eastern and Western Federal District Courts of Texas. He has represented bankers and paupers, members of gangs and ministers.

It is also his and the firm's goal to participate in community projects and community affairs, and to protect the concept of justice for all.

Before graduating from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Geology in 1972, Michael was student body Vice President and Parliamentarian. He then served as an officer in the United States Air Force. Michael was a navigator and electronics warfare officer from 1972-1978. While in the Air Force he attended and taught classes in geology at Texas Christian University. He later received his Doctor of Jurisprudence, Magna Cum Laude, from South Texas College of Law in 1980. From 1980-81, he was first a summer law clerk for the Gulf Oil Company and then a briefing attorney for the Supreme Court of Texas, Judge Pope.



# *Our September Meeting*

## *Celebration of our Constitution*

September 12, 2018



Michael Essmyer (standing in the photo to the right) explained our Miranda rights. He informed us on when we could – and should – invoke our 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment right. He reminded us that we don't have to say anything!

Also pictured are (L-R): Bill Sorrels, Michael Bierman, Bernice Mistrot, and Allan Perkins.





# Our September Meeting

## Celebration of our Constitution

September 12, 2018



Battle of Harlem Heights. Sept. 16, 1776. 42nd 'Black Watch' Highlanders retreat while Knowlton's men attempt to get behind and surround them.

They came upon the enemy's flank instead and Knowlton was killed during this maneuver.

Michael Bierman talked about Washington's report to Congress on the Battle of Harlem Heights, where Patriot Colonel Thomas W. Knowlton perished.

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A plaque honoring the death of Colonel Knowlton is placed on the Mathematics Building at the Morningside Heights campus of Columbia University.

Presented by  
Michael M. Estmyer, Sr.

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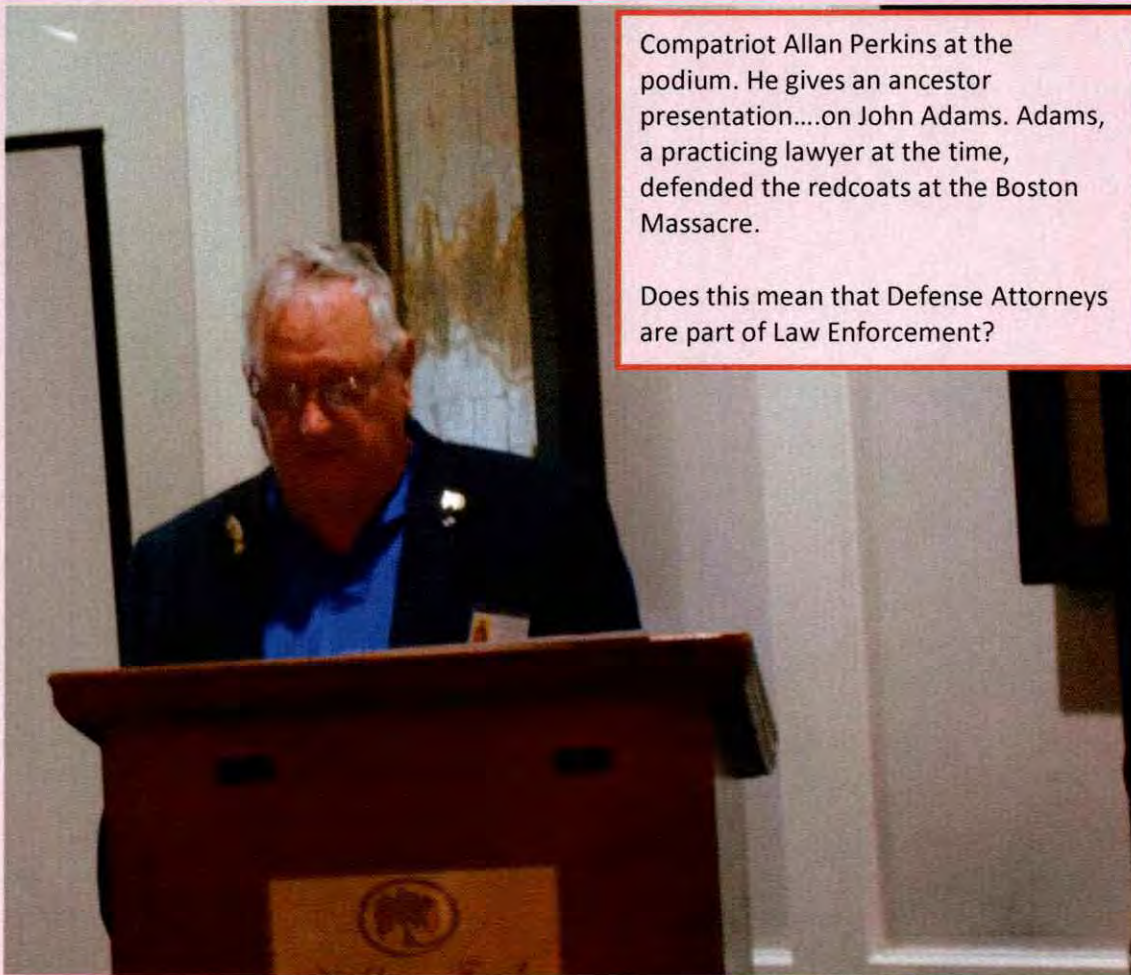




# *Our September Meeting*

## *Celebration of our Constitution*

September 12, 2018



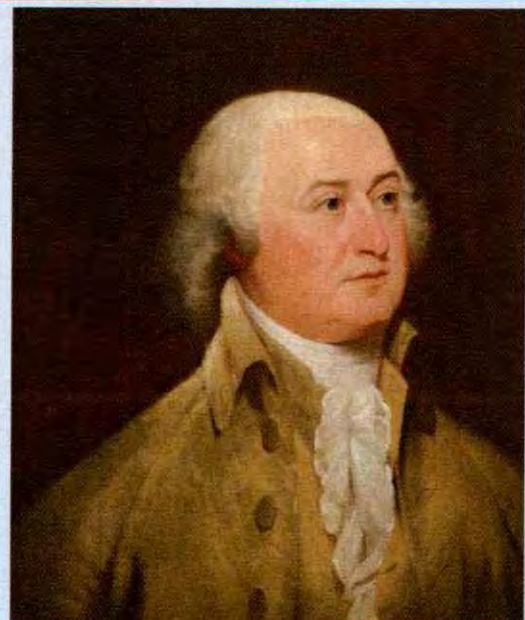
Compatriot Allan Perkins at the podium. He gives an ancestor presentation....on John Adams. Adams, a practicing lawyer at the time, defended the redcoats at the Boston Massacre.

Does this mean that Defense Attorneys are part of Law Enforcement?

### *John Adams*

2nd President of the United States  
1797-1801

- Lawyer, statesman, president, gadfly, New Englander
- Adams was the first person to propose the idea of a U.S. military academy in 1776.
- He defended two British soldiers who were accused of being responsible for the Boston Massacre
- Adams died on the same day as Thomas Jefferson.
- His son John Quincy became the sixth president





## *Our September Meeting Celebration of our Constitution*

*September 12, 2018*



In the photo from L-R: Texas SAR President Tom Jackson, Bruce McMordie, and Robert Rankin Chapter President Allen Greene. Bruce just received his new member certificate, but he wasn't on the agenda to be inducted! That means he will have to come back next month.

"For me, this day reminds me of the strength and courage of Americans everywhere to stand up to terrorism and tyranny. We will persevere."

-Tom Jackson





**THIS DAY IN HISTORT:** Washington reports to Congress on Battle of Harlem Heights

## WASHINGTON REPORTS TO CONGRESS ON BATTLE OF HARLEM HEIGHTS

*Alan  
Pike*

On this Sept 18, 1776, General George Washington writes to the president of the Continental Congress, John Hancock, reporting on the Battle at Harlem Heights and relaying the unfortunate news of the death of Captain Thomas Knowlton.

In the early morning hours of September 16, 1776, General Washington ordered the Continentals to hold their line at Harlem Heights while he sent Captain Thomas Knowlton and a volunteer group of Rangers to scout British movements and possibly lure the British into combat. While Captain Knowlton and the Rangers engaged the British in a frontal assault, Washington sent a second force of Patriots to attack the British from their right flank. During the short but intense fighting that ensued, the Americans were able to force a small British retreat from their northern positions.

Despite the American failure to stop the British invasion of New York City the previous day at Kip's Bay, the successful Battle of Harlem Heights restored public confidence in the American troops and lifted the spirits of the Continental Army. The Americans and British each lost approximately 70 troops in the fighting. One of the Americans lost was the Ranger leader, Captain Thomas Knowlton.

In his letter to Congress, General Washington wrote, "The Parties under Colonel Knowlton and Major Leitch unluckily began their Attack too soon, it was rather in flank than in Rear. In a little time Major Leitch was brought off wounded, having received three Balls thro' his side, and in a short time after Col. Knowlton got a Wound, which proved Mortal." Despite his premature action, Washington memorialized Knowlton as "a brave and good Officer."

**CONSTITUTION DAY CELEBRATION:**

**MARANDA:** Michael Essmyer, Essmyer & Daniel, P.C.

**SAR Recessional:**

"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."

**BENEDICTION:** Chaplain, Alex Thorne

**Meeting Adjourned**

President: Allen Greene



Michael

## **ANCESTOR PRESENTATION: JOHN ADAMS:**

John Adams was a Founding Father, the first vice president of the United States and the second president. His son, John Quincy Adams, was the nation's sixth president.

John Adams was born on October 30, 1735, in Quincy, Massachusetts. He was a direct descendant of Puritan colonists from the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

At age 16, Adams earned a scholarship to attend Harvard University. After graduating in 1755, at age 20, Adams studied law in the office of James Putnam, a prominent lawyer. In 1758, he earned a master's degree from Harvard and was admitted to the bar. In 1774, he served on the First Continental Congress and helped draft the Declaration of Independence. Adams became the first vice president of the United States and the second president.

Adams quickly became identified with the patriot cause, initially as the result of his opposition to the Stamp Act of 1765.

In 1770, Adams agreed to represent the British soldiers on trial for killing five civilians in what became known as the Boston Massacre. He believed that every person deserved a defense, and he took the case without hesitation. During the trial Adams presented evidence that suggested blame also lay with the mob that had gathered, and that the first soldier who fired upon the crowd was simply responding the way anyone would when faced with a similar life-threatening situation.

The jury acquitted six of the eight soldiers, while two were convicted of manslaughter. Reaction to Adams's defense of the soldiers was hostile, and his law practice suffered greatly. However, his actions later enhanced his reputation as a courageous, generous and fair man.

That same year, Adams was elected to the Massachusetts Assembly and was one of five to represent the colony at the First Continental Congress, in 1774. When Congress created the Continental Army in 1775, Adams nominated George Washington of Virginia as its commander-in-chief.

In May 1776, Congress approved Adams's resolution proposing that the colonies each adopt independent governments. He wrote the preamble to this resolution, which was approved on May 15, setting the stage for the formal passage of the Declaration of Independence.

In 1779, Adams was one of the American diplomats sent to negotiate the Treaty of Paris, which brought an end to the Revolutionary War.

In 1796, Adams was elected as the Federalist nominee for president. Thomas Jefferson led the opposition for the Democratic-Republican Party. Adams won the election by a narrow margin, becoming the second president of the United States.

Adams found himself regularly away from his family, a sacrifice that both he and his wife, Abigail saw as important to the cause, though Abigail was often unhappy.

After his presidency, Adams lived quietly with Abigail on their family farm in Quincy, where he continued to write and to correspond with his friend Thomas Jefferson. Both Adams and Jefferson died on July 4, 1826, the 50th anniversary of American independence.

John Quincy Adams, Adams's son, would eventually become the sixth president of the United States, though he was a member of the opposition party, the Democratic-Republicans.



# October



The month of October was very special for the American side in the Revolution. The painting above is by American artist **John Trumbull (1756 – 1843)**. The *Surrender Of Lord Cornwallis At Yorktown* (October 19, 1781) is shown above and is an oil on canvas measuring 12' x 18'. The painting was completed in 1820 and was placed in the Rotunda of the U.S. Capitol in 1826.

(The image was captured at: <http://www.aoc.gov/capitol-hill/historic-rotunda-paintings/surrender-lord-cornwallis>.)





**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR  
YORKTOWN CELEBRATION**

Wednesday October 10, 2018

Social Time - 6:00 pm, Business - 6:45 pm.

Spring Creek BBQ, 5935 Hwy 6 N, Houston, TX

**DINNER:** Go through the serving line, get your dinner and pay for it and compatriots please put \$2.00 per person in our speaker funds box.

**INVOCATION:** Chaplain, Jerry Clanton

**PLEDGES:**

**Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag**

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands: one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

**Texas Pledge**

"Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

**SAR Creed**

"We, the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."



**OPENING COMMENTS:** President, Allen Greene

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** President, Allen Greene

**BATTLE of YORKTOWN:** Tom Green

**AWARDS PRESENTATION:** Texas SAR President-Elect Tom Jackson

**BRONZE GOOD CHITIZENSHIP:** John Paulson

**ANCESTOR PRESENTATION:** Marquis de Lafayette

**SAR RECESSIONAL:**

**"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."**

**BENEDICTION:** Chaplain, Jerry Clanton

**MEETING ADJORNED:** President, Allen Greene



*Robert Rankin Chapter #62*  
*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*  
*Minutes of Color Guard Meeting*  
*Celebration of Victory at Yorktown*



*October 10, 2018*

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The invocation was given by Compatriot Jerry Clanton.  
The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.  
The Pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.  
The SAR Creed was led by Compatriot Allen Greene.

**This Day In History:** Compatriot Tom Green gave a marvelous presentation on The Battle of Yorktown.

**Educational Presentation:**

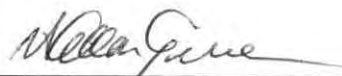
**Ancestor Presentation:** Jerry Clanton gave presentation on Marquis de Lafayette.

**Historical Presentation:** Tom Jackson gave presentation on the remembrance of 9/11.

Compatriot Allen Greene led the recessional and the Benediction was given by Compatriot Jerry Clanton. President Allen Greene adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted this date of *October 14, 2018*.

  
Michael Bierman  
Secretary

  
Allen Greene  
President





# *Robert Rankin Chapter #62*

*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*

## *Minutes of Color Guard Meeting*

*Celebration of Victory at Yorktown*



*October 10, 2018*

### **In Attendance**

Compatriots present (8):

Michael Bierman  
Jerry Clanton  
Tom Green  
Tom Jackson  
Bobby Smith  
Norman Strey Jr  
John Thompson  
Alex Thorne

Compatriots with spouses present (4):

Allen & Linda Greene  
Theron & Olga

Guests (6):

Ron Brown  
Jason Lane  
Bernice Mistrot  
Gary Mosmeyer  
Bill Sorrells  
Nelma Strey

### **Awards & Recognitions (SAR):**

**Congress Certificate of Appreciation:** Lennie Ambrose, Mack Hoehner, Richard Zdunkewicz, John Worm, Greg Thorne, Marti Thorne, Brian Thorne, Alex Thorne, Allan Perkins, Kristina Perez, Bernice Mistrot, Theron McLaren, Jennifer Jackson, Andrea Germentis, Jerry Clanton, Ginny Evans.

**Bronze Robert Morris Certificate of Appreciation:** Saint Arnold's Brewery

**Silver Robert Morris Certificate of Appreciation:** Saint Arnold's Brewery

**Gold Robert Morris Certificate of Appreciation:** Thomas Jackson, Llano Estacado, Green River Oil, Inc, Harris County Precinct 3, Harris County Precinct 4



# *Our October Meeting*

*October 10, 2018*



Former Texas SAR President Tom Green leads a discussion of the Battle of Yorktown at one location.

## *Robert Rankin, Texas SAR Spring Creek BBQ October Highlights*

- ❖ **This Day In History:** Compatriot Tom Green gave a marvelous presentation on The Battle of Yorktown.
- ❖ **Ancestor Presentation:** Jerry Clanton gave a biographical sketch of the Marquis de Lafayette.
- ❖ **Historical Presentation:** Tom Jackson reviewed the upcoming Board of Managers Meeting to be held in New Braunfels.



# *Our October Meeting*

*October 10, 2018*



Former Texas SAR President Tom Green leads a discussion of the Battle of Yorktown at one location.

October 10th, Wednesday Spring Creek Barbeque.  
A Tale of Two Restaurants  
At One Restaurant

Robert Rankin chapter meeting of the Sons of the American Revolution. We had an enjoyable meal and evening gathering with ten (10) folks in attendance at the Spring Creek BBQ on Hwy 6 in west Houston, and John Thompson assisted by moving the restaurant's US Flag to front position and by calling the Robert Rankin Chapter's segment meeting to order. Then, he led the Compatriots in the pledges with Compatriot Green providing an invocation. Then, following introductions, Compatriot Green provided an interesting dissertation on the events leading up to and the importance of the historical events during the Battle of Yorktown and Saratoga.



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October 10th, Wednesday Spring Creek Barbeque.  
A Tale of Two Restaurants  
At the other Restaurant

Robert Rankin chapter meeting was split into two different locations. An agenda in an email error sited both the Copperfield and the Katy Freeway location. As a result, half went to Copperfield and the other to Katy. We all had a good laugh and vowed to do better next time.



# *Our October Meeting*

*October 10, 2018*



Bernice Mistrot and Michal Bierman show off their Texas Host Society National Congress worker identification shirts. These shirts, patterned after the Lone Star flag, received Best in Class accolades from the rank and file attendees at National Congress.



# Our October Meeting

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Compatriot Jerry Clanton did a topical ancestor presentation... the Marquis de Lafayette.



The Marquis de Lafayette, 1757-. 1834  
Gianni Dagli Orti / The Art Archive At Art Resource, NY):  
<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/marquis-lafayette-sails-again->

A moderate in the French Revolution, Lafayette sought reforms in French society but was distrusted by French radicals. Captured and imprisoned by the Austrians for a year, he was freed by Napoleon in 1797. In 1824, Lafayette returned to the United States for a year long triumphant tour that included a stop at Yorktown. It was reported that Lafayette was met by "demonstrations of frenzied enthusiasm without precedent or parallel in American history."

Marie Joseph Paul Yves Roch Gilbert du Motier, Marquis de Lafayette, left France in early 1777 to seek service in the American Revolution. Offering to serve at his own expense, the 19 year old was commissioned a major general in the Continental Army. He was wounded slightly at the Battle of Brandywine and served in the army until January 1779. He briefly returned to France where he helped lay the groundwork for sending a French expeditionary force to serve under Washington.



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Ending on October 19, 1781, at Yorktown, Virginia, was a decisive victory by a combined force of American Continental Army troops led by General George Washington and French Army troops led by the Comte de Rochambeau over a British Army commanded by British peer and Lieutenant General Charles Cornwallis. The culmination of the Yorktown campaign, the siege proved to be the last major land battle of the American Revolutionary War in the North American theater, as the surrender by Cornwallis, and the capture of both him and his army, prompted the British government to negotiate an end to the conflict. The battle boosted faltering American morale and revived French enthusiasm for the war, as well as undermining popular support for the conflict in Great Britain.

## **ANCESTOR PRESENTATION: Marquis de Lafayette**

# Marquis de Lafayette

Lafayette was born into an ancient noble family in France. Orphaned in his early teens, he had already inherited an immense fortune. He joined the circle of young courtiers at the court of King Louis XVI but soon aspired to win glory as a soldier. Hence, he traveled at his own expense to the American colonies, arriving in Philadelphia in July 1777, 27 months after the outbreak of the American Revolution. With no combat experience and not yet 20 years old, Lafayette was nonetheless appointed a major general in the Continental Army, and he quickly struck up a lasting friendship with the American commander in chief, George Washington.

Lafayette served on Washington's staff for six weeks, and, after fighting with distinction at the Battle of the Brandywine, near Philadelphia, on September 11, 1777, he was given command of his own division. He conducted a masterly retreat from Barren Hill on May 28, 1778. Returning to France in February 1779, he worked with American emissaries Benjamin Franklin and John Adams to help persuade the government of Louis XVI to send additional troops and supplies to aid the colonists. Lafayette arrived back in America in April 1780 with the news that 6,000 infantry and six ships of the line, would soon arrive from France. In 1781 he conducted hit-and-run operations against British commander Lord Charles Cornwallis across Virginia, trapping him at Yorktown in late July.

A French fleet and several additional American armies joined the siege, and on October 19 Cornwallis surrendered.

In 1824 Lafayette accepted an invitation from his old friend Pres. James Monroe to visit the United States, where he was received with adulation. Crowds by the thousands greeted him, and he was lauded in



cities across the land. Lafayette became the first foreign citizen to address the U.S. House of Representatives, which he did on December 10, 1824.

Lafayette died in 1834 and, in accordance with his wishes, was buried with dirt from Bunker Hill that he and his son had collected during his last trip to America. In 2002 Lafayette became the fifth person in U.S. history to be granted honorary citizenship.

#### **SAR RECESSIONAL:**

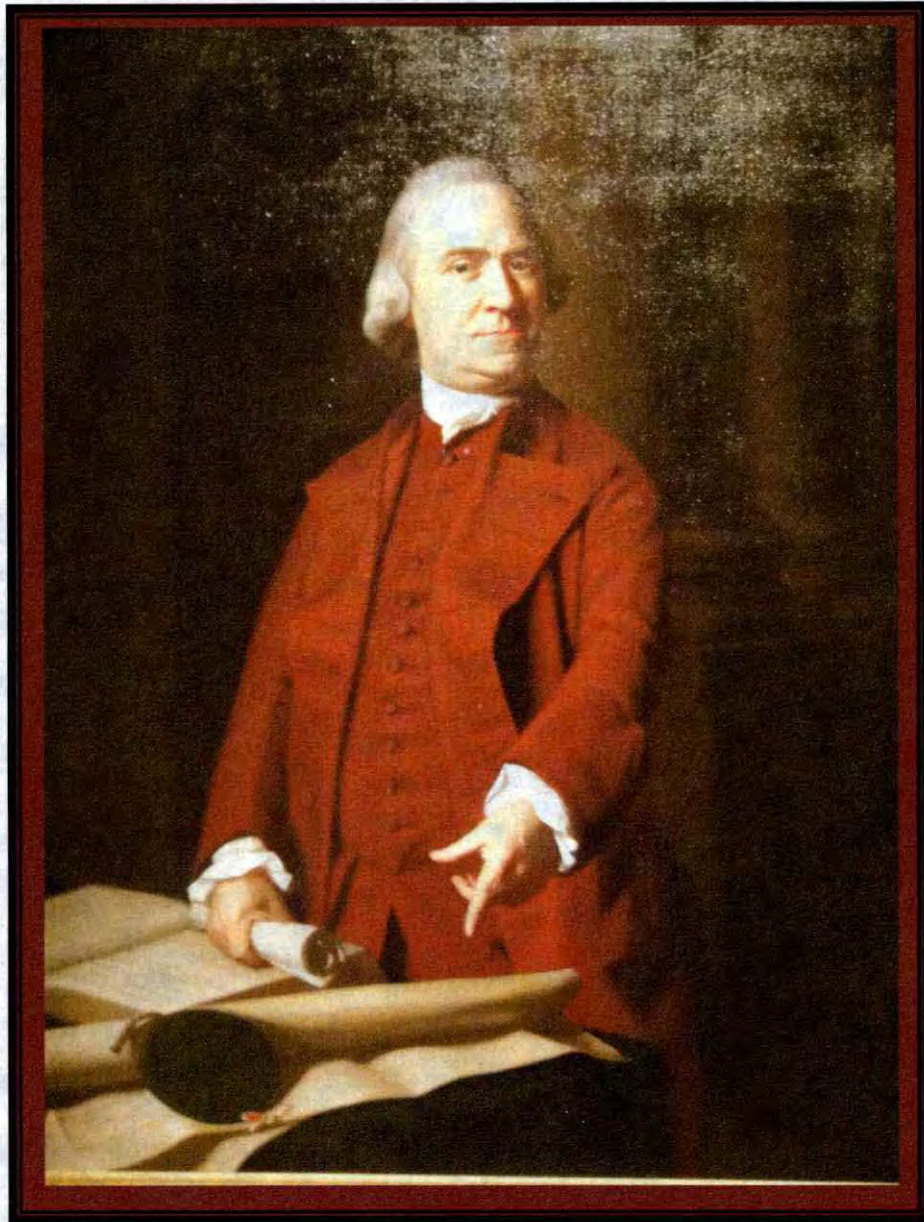
**"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."**

**BENEDICTION:** Chaplain, Jerry Clanton

**MEETING ADJORNED:** President, Allen Greene



# November



The painting of **Samuel Adams** above hangs in the Boston Library. The artist was **John Singleton Copley** (1738 - 1815). He was an American painter who was presumed to have been born in Boston, Massachusetts. He is remembered for inserting into the paintings artifacts important to the lives of the individuals painted.

Adams is shown confronting Governor Hutchinson after the Boston Massacre. He is holding petitions signed by angry citizens of Boston. He points toward the Massachusetts Royal Charter and demands the expulsion of British troops.

The photograph was taken by T. Jackson.





**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR  
Veterans Day Celebration**

Social Time - 6:00 PM, Celebration 6:45 PM to 7:45 PM

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

**Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Freeway, Katy, TX**

**DINNER:** Go through the buffet line, get your dinner and pay for it and put \$2.00 per person in our speaker funds box.

**INVOCATION:** Chaplain Alex Thorne

**PLEDGES:**

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands: one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

Texas Pledge

"Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

SAR Creed

"We, the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

**SPEAKER: TOM JACKSON** : What Happened at Board of Managers (BOM) Meeting  
: Allen Perkins, Veterans Thoughts

**AWARDS PRESENTATION:** Texas SAR President Tom Jackson

**BOM RECOGNITIONS:** Texas SAR President Tom Jackson



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*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*  
*Minutes of Color Guard Meeting*  
*Veteran's Day*



*November 14, 2018*

The meeting was opened by Texas President Tom Jackson at 6:45 pm which was preceded by dinner commencing at 6:00pm. Programs presented by SAR members were: Historical (4), Educational (1), and Patriotic (1). Those chapter members and guests in attendance are noted on the attached sign in sheets that are incorporated by reference in these minutes. 19 were present including 10 Compatriots and 9 guests. Color Guard members in attendance and in uniform: Michael Bierman and Tom Jackson.

The meeting proceeded in accordance with the agenda, a copy of which is attached and is incorporated by reference in these minutes. In addition, any awards that were presented are also attached complete with the reasons for the award. The Minutes of the prior meeting were presented.

The invocation was given by Compatriot Fred Jackson.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Compatriot Allan Perkins.

The Pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Compatriot Allan Perkins.

The SAR Creed was led by Compatriot Allan Perkins.

**This Day In History:** Michael Bierman gave a presentation on the birthday of the Marines. Steven Graves gave a presentation about Lord Dunmore's Proclamation. Bernice Mistrot gave an informative presentation about Mercy Warren.


**Educational Presentation:** Tom Jackson talked about Wreaths Across America.


**Ancestor Presentation:** Allan Perkins gave presentation on Captain Luce.

**Historical Presentation:** Tom Jackson gave presentation on Armistice Day.

Compatriot Allan Perkins led the recessional and the Benediction was given by Compatriot Fred Jackson. Texas President Tom Jackson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted this date of *November 16, 2018*.

  
Michael Bierman  
Secretary

  
Allen Greene  
President



# Sons of the American Revolution



**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER #62, TXSSAR**

**Veterans Day Celebration**

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

**Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Freeway, Katy, TX**

## **THIS DAY IN HISTORY:**

**November 7, 1775 Lord Dunmore Proclamation**

**November 10, 1775 Birth of the Marines**

Discussion of application questions

## **SAR Recessional:**

"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and an Independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men."

**BENEDICTION:** Chaplain Alex Thorne

**Meeting Adjourned**



# *Robert Rankin Chapter #62*

*Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution*  
*Minutes of Color Guard Meeting*  
*Veteran's Day*



*November 14, 2018*

## **In Attendance**

Compatriots present (6):

Michael Bierman  
Jerry Clanton  
Steven Graves  
Tom Jackson  
Allan Perkins  
Norman Strey Jr

Compatriots with spouses present (4):

Fred & Brenda Jackson  
Theron & Olga McLaren  
Jack & Jennie Muggli  
Bobby & Nita Smith

Guests (5):

Darrel McCall  
Bernice Mistrot  
Bill Sorrells  
Robert & Elida Whitaker

## **Awards & Recognitions (SAR):**

President General's Activities Award: Robert Rankin Chapter

Bronze Robert Morris Certificate of Appreciation: Saint Arnold's Brewery

Silver Robert Morris Certificate of Appreciation: Saint Arnold's Brewery

Gold Robert Morris Certificate of Appreciation: Thomas Jackson, Llano Estacado, Green River Oil, Inc., Harris County Precinct 3, Harris County Precinct 4

Certificate of Appreciation: Allan Perkins

Congress Certificate of Appreciation: Ginny Evans, Jerry Clanton, Andrea Germinis, Jennifer Jackson, Theron McLaren, Bernice Mistrot, Kristina Perez, Allan Perkins, Alex Thorne, Brian Thorne, Marti Thorne, Greg Thorne, John Worm, Richard Zdunkewicz, Mack Hoehner, Lennie Ambrose



## *Our November Meeting*

*November 14, 2018*



Pictured above at far left is State President Tom Jackson along with the following compatriots in attendance who received the Congress Certificate of Appreciation (L-R): Allan Perkins, Jerry Clanton, Theron McLaren, Bernice Mistrot, & Michael Bierman. Not pictured are Bronze Medal Award Winners, Jack Muggli & Allen Green.

### *Robert Rankin, Texas SAR Spring Creek Barbecue November Meeting Highlights Veterans Day Celebration*

- ❖ Allan Perkins gave a patriotic presentation on his ancestor Captain Luce.
- ❖ Michael Bierman gave a presentation on the birthday of the Marines.
- ❖ Berenice Mistrot gave a historical presentation on Mercy Warren.
- ❖ Tom Jackson gave a historical presentation on Armistice Day.
- ❖ Tom Jackson gave an educational presentation on Wreaths Across America.
- ❖ Steven Graves gave a presentation on Lord Dunmore's Proclamation.
- ❖ President Tom Jackson reported on what occurred at the Board of Managers (BOM) Meeting in New Braunfels.



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Allan Perkins (above) spoke on two topics. He provided from insight into Veterans Affairs from the perspective of a former soldier who served in Viet Nam. Allan also provided an Ancestor Presentation on Captain Luce.

Elijah Luce

Born: 23 June 1746

Died: 29 October 1819

One of 7 siblings, four brothers and two sisters, Elijah Luce was born in 1746. Elijah married Lydia Cleveland and together they had six children. Many years after Lydia's passing, Luce married Love Cleveland. Together, he and Love had a daughter, Mary Luce, who would go on to marry Kohn Barnard Opin. Mary Luce is Allan's 2<sup>nd</sup> Great Grandmother.

Elijah Luce commanded the Massachusetts Privateer Brigantine *Eagle*. In May of 1778 the *Eagle* was captured by HMS *Portland's* tender, three short months after the *Eagle* had been commissioned.



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Michael Bierman (below) reminded us of the birthday of the Marine Corps on November 10th.



*The First Recruits, December 1775, by Col. Charles Waterhouse, USMCR, shows Capt. Samuel Nicholas, 1st Lt. Matthew Parke, and a scowling sergeant with prospective Leathernecks on the Philadelphia waterfront. (USMC Art Collection)*



## *Our November Meeting*

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**Berenice Mistrot, spouse of Compatriot Gus Mistrot who has passed, told us about America's first female author, playwright, and historian Mercy Warren.**



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Steven Graves (pictured above) spoke on Lord Dunmore's Proclamation.

When Royal Governor Botetourt died suddenly in 1770, a replacement was needed, and rather than wait for someone to be dispatched from England, Lord Dunmore was sent to Virginia from New York.

Dunmore's Proclamation, is a historical document signed on November 7, 1775, by John Murray, 4th Earl of Dunmore, royal governor of the British Colony of Virginia. The proclamation declared martial law and promised freedom for slaves of American revolutionaries who left their owners and joined the royal forces.



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On this day in history, November 14, 1754, Mercy Otis and James Warren are married. Mercy Otis Warren became one of the first female authors in the United States.

She was an advisor on politics and a correspondent with such people as John Hancock, Patrick Henry, George Washington and John Adams. Mercy's 3 volume "History of the Rise, Progress, and Termination of the American Revolution" became one of the first published works about the American Revolution and also one of the first works published by a woman in America.

Mercy published liberty and anti-British themed poems and plays during the years leading up to and including the American Revolution, but never under her own name, which would have been highly unusual for a woman at the time. Instead, she used pen names. Her understanding and insight into politics was unusual for a woman in that day as well, since politics was considered to be the realm of men only.

In 1790, she published her first book using her own name, "Poems, Dramatic and Miscellaneous."

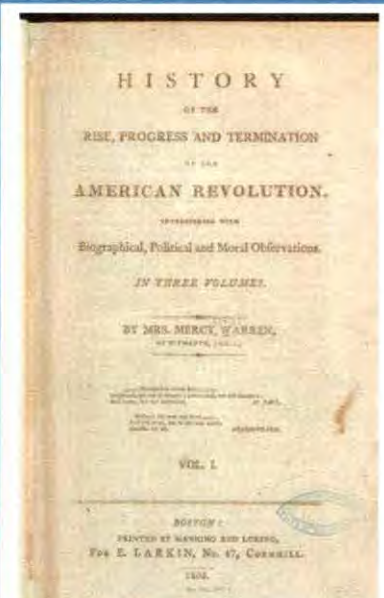
In 1788, Mercy published "Observations on the new Constitution," under the pen name "A Columbian Patriot." This work was critical of the new Constitution. Both she and her husband were anti-Federalists and did not trust centralized power in the new government.



The rights of the individual  
should be the primary object of  
all governments.

~ Mercy Otis Warren

AZ QUOTES







# Eagle

Armed Brig

Massachusetts Privateer Brigantine

Commander Elijah Luce

10 March 1778-16 May 1778

Commissioned/First Date:

10 March 1778

Out of Service/Cause:

16 May 1778/captured by HMS *Portland's* tender

Owners:

John Hinkley, Dimond Morton et al of Boston, Massachusetts

Tonnage:

60

Battery:

Date Reported: 10 March 1778

<u>Number/Caliber</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Broadside</u>
8/		

Total: 8 cannon/

Broadside: 4 cannon/

Swivels: six

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Total: 8 cannon/

Broadside: 4 cannon/

Swivels: six

Crew:

(1) 10 March 1778: 46 [total]

(2) 16 May 1778: 39 [total]

Description:

Officers:

(1) First Lieutenant Josiah Arnold, 10 March 1778-16 may 1778

Cruises:

Prizes:

Actions:

Comments:

Massachusetts Privateer Brigantine *Eagle* was commissioned on 10 March 1778 under Commander Elijah Luce of Boston, Massachusetts. She was listed as having a battery of eight guns and six swivel

guns and a crew of forty-five men. Her \$5000 Continental and £4000 Massachusetts bonds were signed by Luce and by John Hinkley and Dimond Morton, both of Boston.<sup>1</sup> Josiah Arnold served aboard as First Lieutenant.<sup>2</sup>

*Eagle* was captured by HMS *Portland*'s tender (Captain Thomas Dumaresq) in the West Indies on 16 May 1778. She was listed by Vice Admiral Young as a 60-ton brig, with eight guns and a crew of thirty-nine men at her capture. Admiral Young notes she was sailing out of Boston and was owned there. She had a cargo of provisions and war material and was sent in to Antigua, in the British West Indies.<sup>3</sup> Luce was committed to Forton Prison at Gosport, England on 20 October 1778. He was pardoned for exchange on 11 December 1779.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Allen, *Massachusetts Privateers of the Revolution*, 120

<sup>2</sup> MASSRW, 1:301

<sup>3</sup> Jamieson, Alan G., "American Privateers in the Leeward Islands, 1776-1778," in *The American Neptune*, [volume unknown], reprinting a list of Admiral Young's in ADM 1/310; "Admiralty Office, September 15, 1778." [Young's Prize List 9/15/78], in *The London Gazette*, Friday, September 12, to Monday, September 15, 1778; "Admiralty Office, August 22, 1778," in *The London Gazette*, Tuesday, August 18 to Saturday, August 22, 1778

<sup>4</sup> Claghorn, *Naval Officers of the American Revolution*, 190

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**Massachusetts Privateer  
Brigantine *Eagle***

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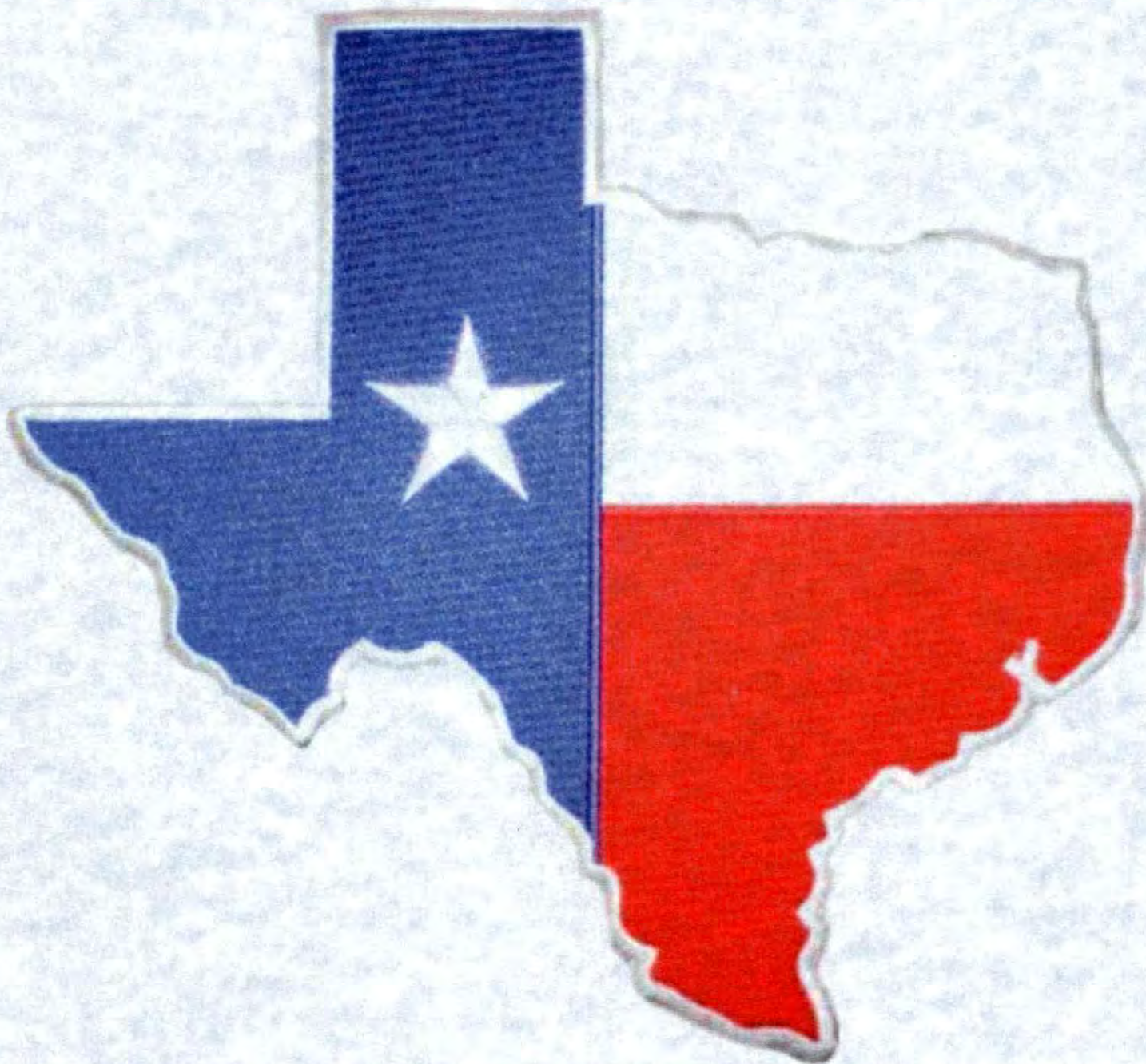
16 May 1778/captured by HMS *Portland*'s tender





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Color guard gathers for early morning flag raising ceremony





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Standing at the podium is Drake Peddie, Texas State Secretary, talking about the upcoming state meetings. In the bottom right are Compatriots of East Fork Trinity with Dan Reed holding on to the chair. In the photo at the bottom left once again is Drake Peddie with the raffle item.







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The Hospitality Room has the ladies busy at work putting together a puzzle and visiting. Barbara Stevens has her puzzle piece ready to place







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More pictures of the Texas Ladies Auxiliary visiting







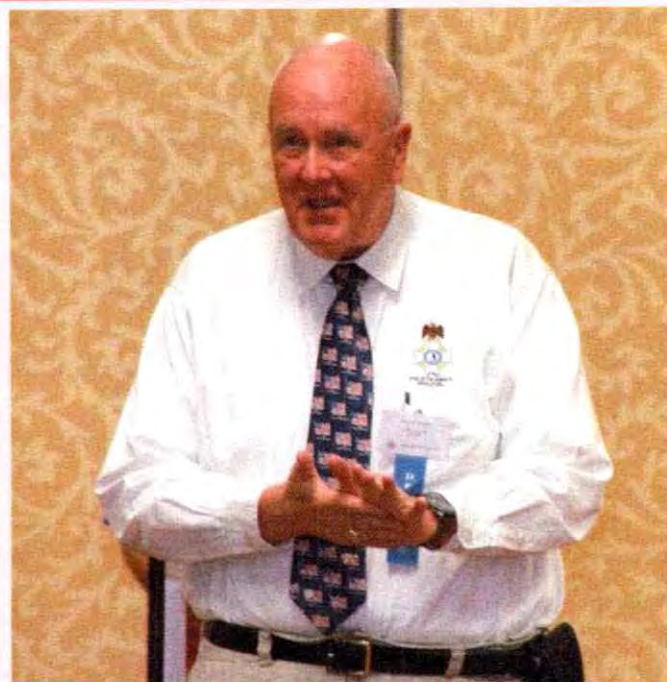
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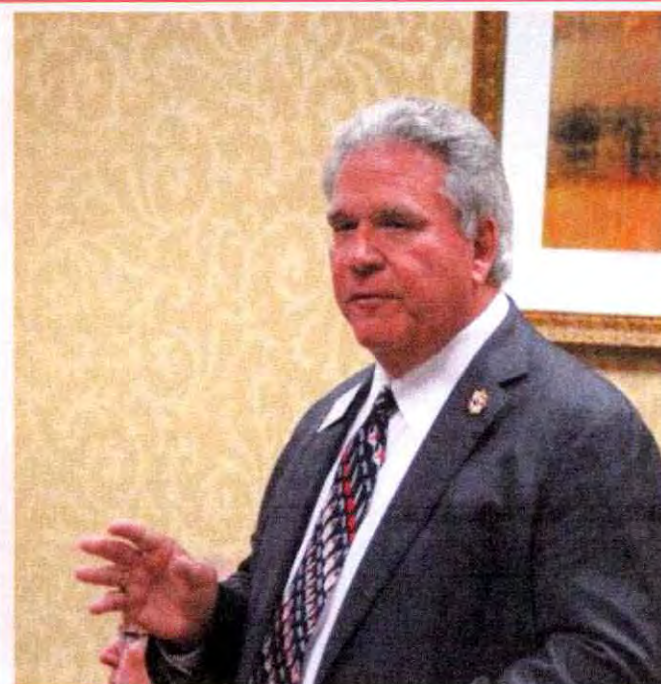




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Some of the bigs who came to State Convention: top left – President General Nathan white, top right – Sitting Sec General Warren Alter, bottom left – President General Tom Lawrence, bottom right – South Central District Vice President General Bob Capps







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Business at the State Meeting. Top left President-elect Tom Jackson addresses the convention and Chancellor Tracy Pounders is seated to his left. Top right photo Staff Secretary David Temple listens as Texas President John Beard addresses the delegates, while bottom left in the photo is State Secretary Drake Peddie giving an award.







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Saturday meeting as dignitaries bring greetings.



Dr. Jane Cohen and Tom Green with the DAR tri fold.





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The lunch banquet is well attended as you can see by the full tables



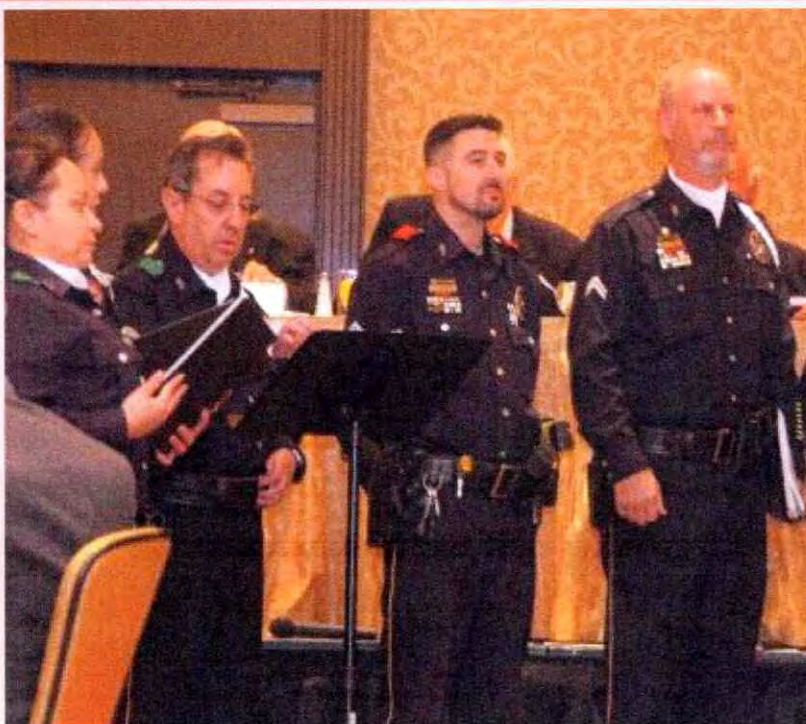




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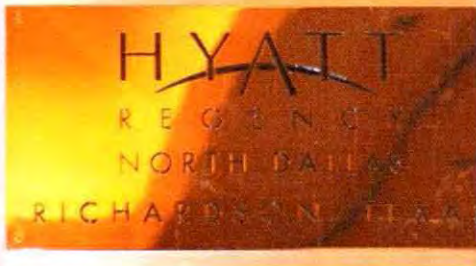
The Dallas Police Choir entertains our guests at the Saturday luncheon







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Saturday Youth Luncheon - Kate McCleod is our essay winner





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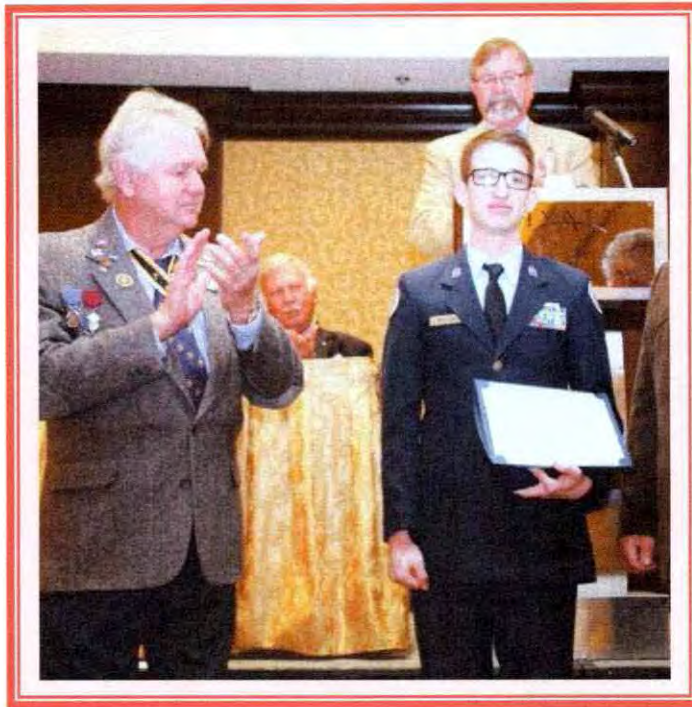
Our youth contest winners receive their awards







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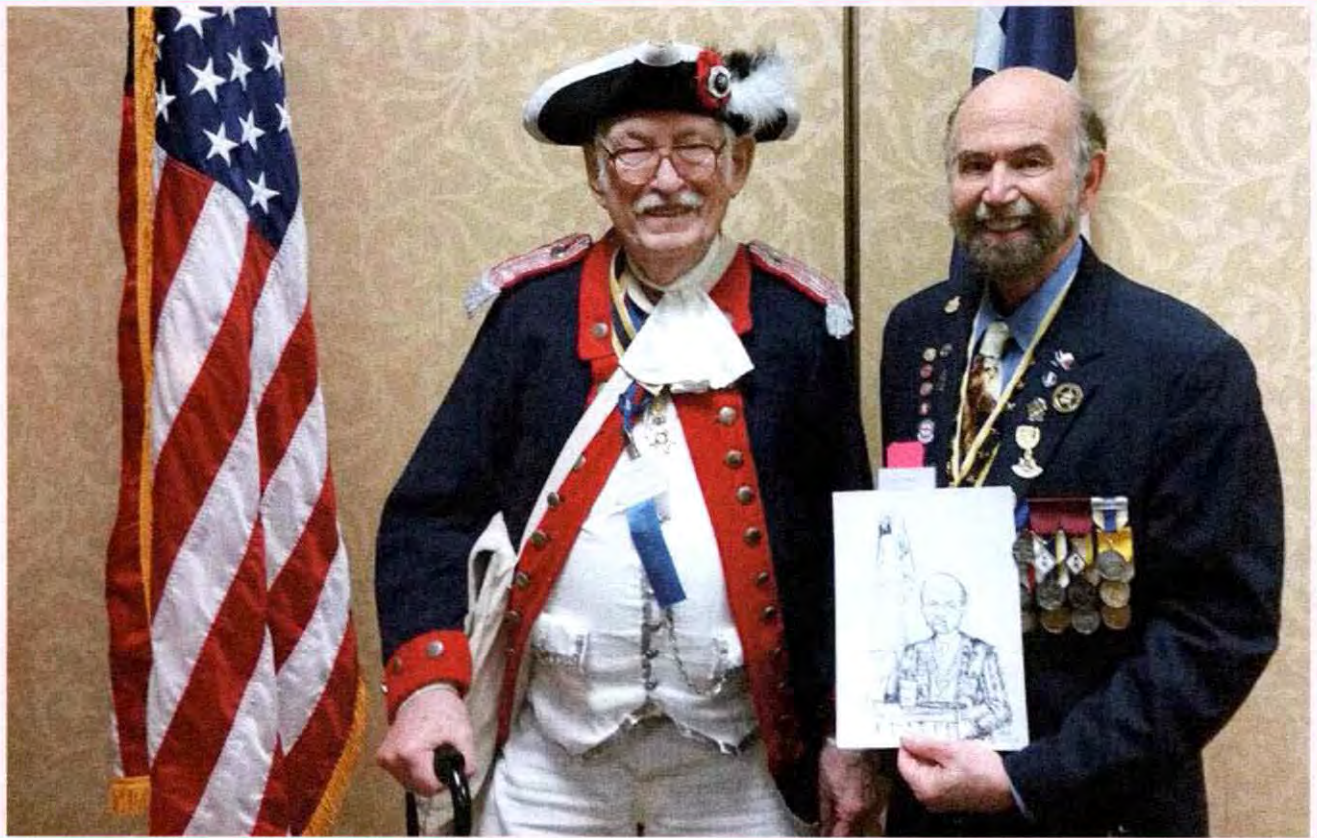






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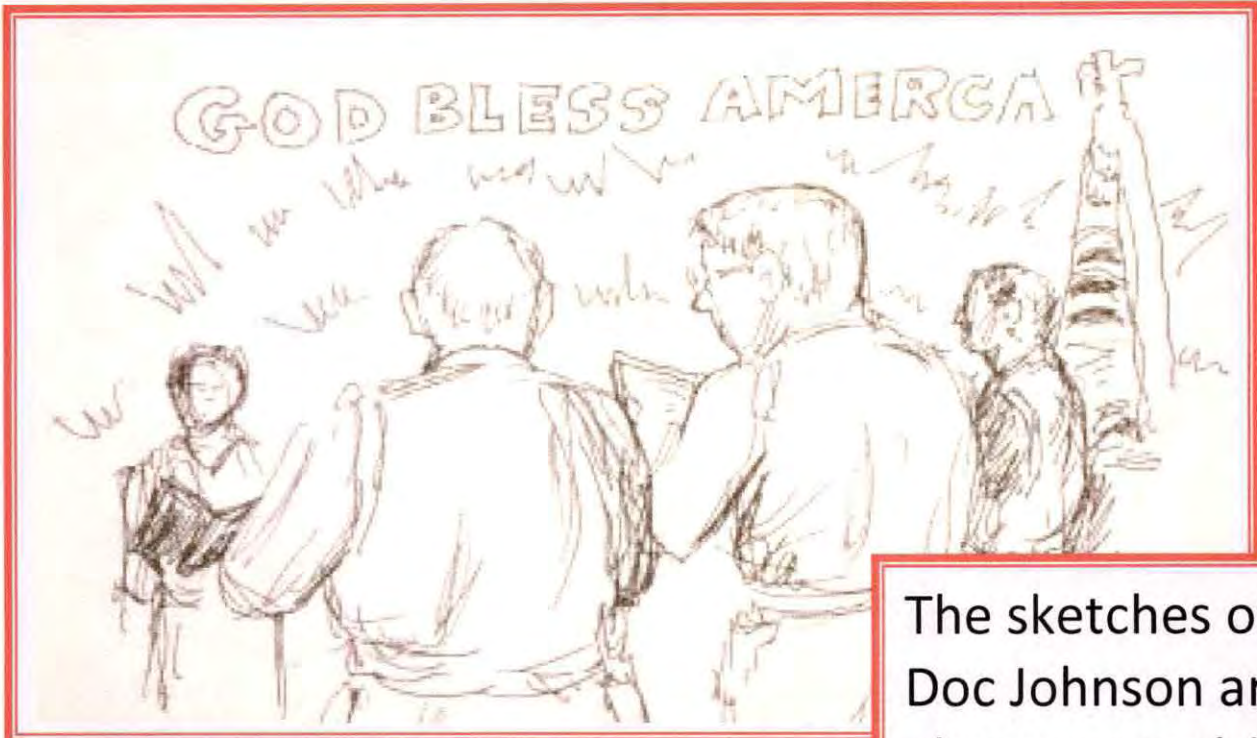
Doc Johnson, retired art Professor and gallery artist from North Texas with his sketch of President-elect Tom Jackson.







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The sketches of  
Doc Johnson are  
always superb!







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Saturday, April 7th. Gathering for a photo with the youth president of the Children of the American Revolution. The Senior Society Texas president is Joe Sogan. Marine and Dr. Larry Blackburn and Past Texas President Larry Stevens round out the picture.

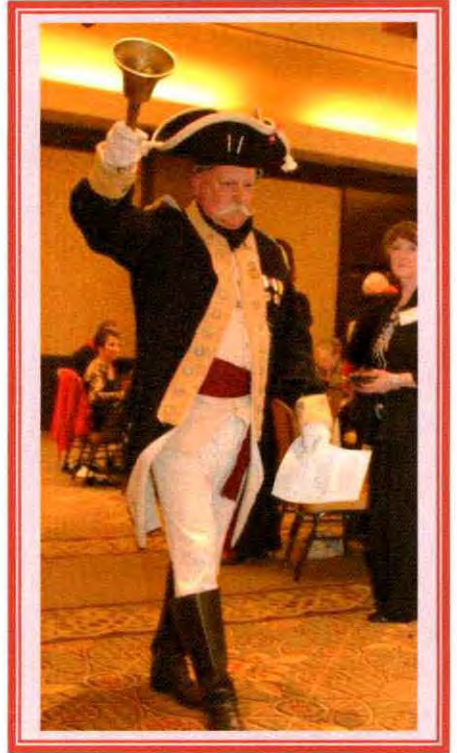
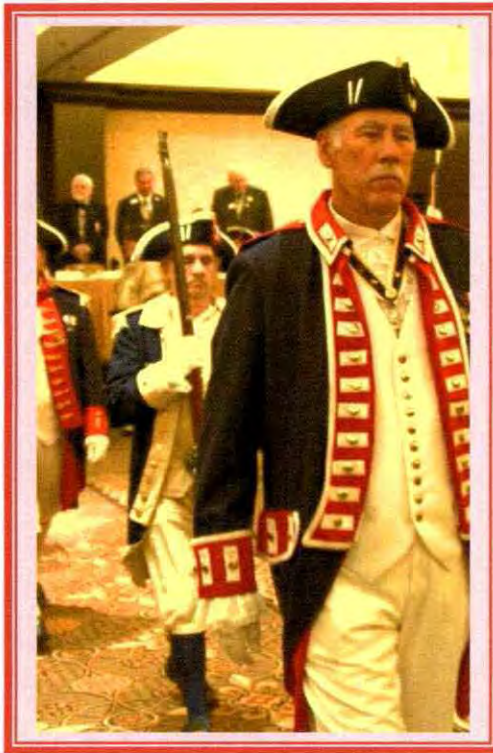
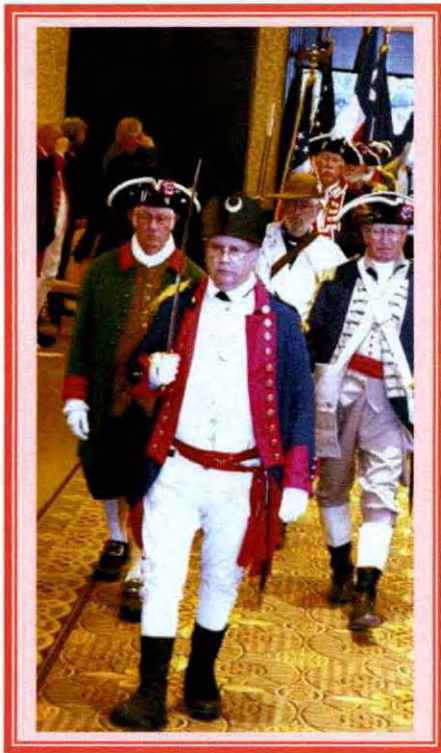
"Ensuring Language for All," T.S.C.A.R. is partnering with the Texas School for the Deaf Foundation to raise funds for the ASL Storytelling program. The goal for the program is to teach literacy and language learning skills to deaf and hard of hearing students, by selecting children's books, and interpreting them into American Sign Language. Funds raised will support the production of new ASL Storytelling videos for the online library and the provision of video conferencing equipment to schools across the state of Texas for ongoing live storytelling sessions. A Great Youth Project!!







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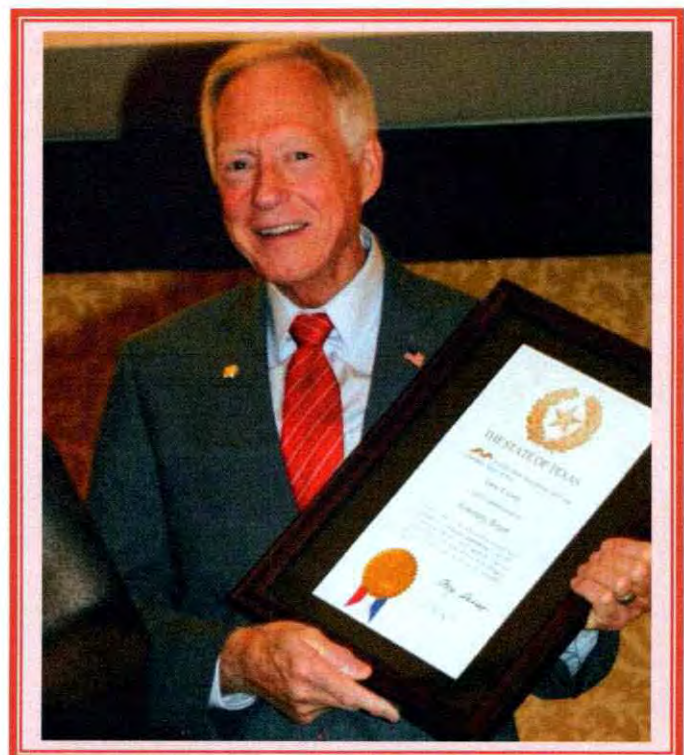
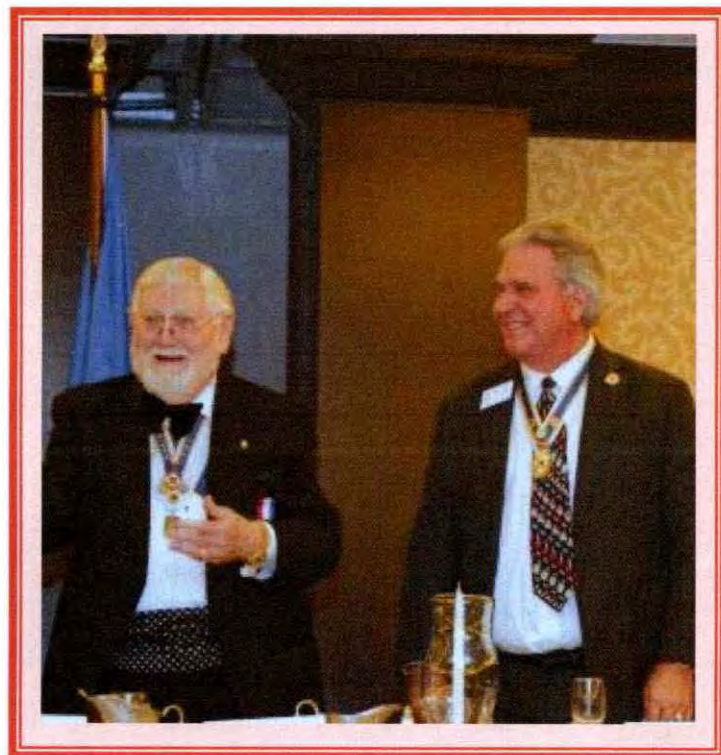


The color guard gathers for the Saturday banquet. In the center photo at the top is Robert Rankin President Allen Greene and in the top right photo is Blair Rudy announcing the dinner menu.





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April 7th, Saturday night. Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution, State Convention. Black tie banquet. Newly elected officers are sworn in. I am entrusted with leading the Texas Society as its President. I am inducted by President General Larry Guzy (pictured below far left). I thank outgoing President John Beard for his leadership and service.







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Above: From Left to Right, Larry Guzy, not known, Tom Jackson, John Beard, Drake Peddie. Tom Jackson has just been sworn in and is congratulated by John Beard.

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Left: From left to right, Larry Guzy, Tom Jackson, David Temple, John Beard. John Beard has just received the Past Presidents Pin, the highest State award!





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Newly inducted President Tom Jackson is outlining his goals and aspirations for the Texas SAR.



Wayne Courrages, Austin Chapter is the first rank and file member to congratulate Tom Jackson as the incoming Texas Sar President





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April 7th, Saturday night. Texas Society SAR State Convention. I challenge Texas to contribute to the George Washington Endowment Fund. I will match up to six new Fellows by creating new Fellows myself. Tonight, I contribute to make GW Fellows members of my family (pictured below from L-R) Monica Murrell, David Murrell, Kathren Murrell Stevenson, MT Troy Murrell, my sister Karen Murrell, myself, and Tom Green. Also becoming a GW Fellow but not in attendance, my youngest Camille Jackson.







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Karen Murrell (L) just received her George Washington Endowment Fund Fellows certificate from Tom Jackson (R).

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The certificate awarded to MT Troy Murrell is pictured below.







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George Washington Endowment Fund Fellows recipients. In the top photo are (L) David Murrell and (R) Kathren Murrell Stevenson. In the bottom photo, David Murrell is attaching the GW Fellows pin for his wife, Monica Murrell.







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After the banquet. South Central Vice President General Bob Capps to the right of President Jackson offers congratulations. In the bottom photo is State Secretary Drake Peddle, and National President General Larry Guzy.







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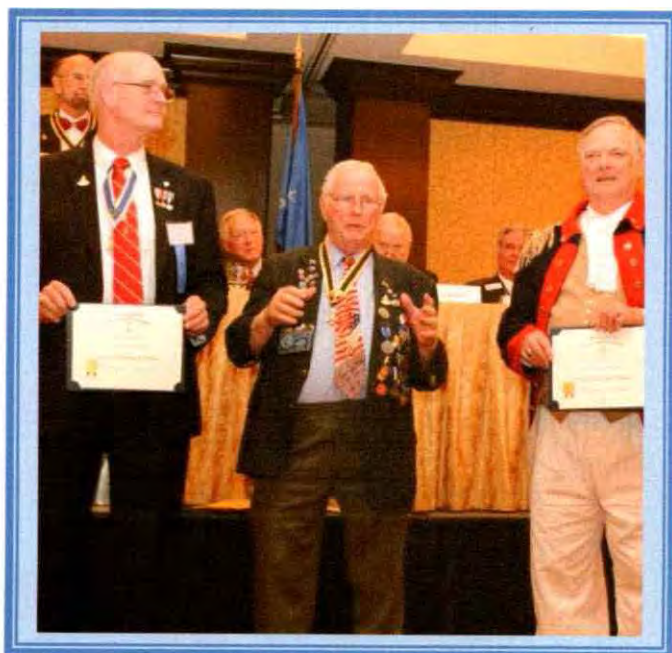
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Patriot Graves  
Patriot Medal Selection  
Perpetual Fund Trustees  
Publicity  
State Meetings  
Texas SAR Society Training  
Veterans

Presentation of Awards  
Executive Committee Report  
Report of the Credentials Committee  
Report of the Nominating Committee  
Election of Officers  
Old or Unfinished Business

ADJOURNMENT

James Mitchell  
Larry Stevens  
Robert Cohen  
James Clements  
Drake Peddie  
William Marrs  
Frank Rohrbough  
President John Beard  
President John Beard  
Drake Peddie  
Michael Radcliff  
President John Beard  
President Beard

Youth Awards Luncheon (Saturday, April 7th)  
12 Noon - 2:00 pm - Salon D



Memorial Service (Saturday, April 7th)  
2:15 pm - 2:45 pm - Longhorn I-III



Third General Session (Saturday, April 7th) - 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Longhorn I-III

Pledge to the USA Flag  
New Business

President-Elect Thomas Jackson  
President John Beard

ADJOURNMENT

Reception-Cash Bar (Saturday, April 7th)  
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm - Foyer Salon D



Dinner Banquet and Installation of Officers (Saturday, April 7th)  
6:30 pm - 9:30 pm - Salon D



Religious Services (Sunday, April 8th)  
8:15 am - 8:45 am - Longhorn I-III



BOM Meeting (Sunday, April 8th)  
9:00 am - Noon - Longhorn I-III

Opening  
Pledge to the USA Flag  
Opening Prayer  
Business Session  
Benediction  
SAR Closing

President  
President-Elect  
Chaplain  
President  
Chaplain  
President Elect

ADJOURNMENT



Trustee Report  
 Vice President, CM&A  
 District 1 VP  
 District 2 VP  
 District 3 VP  
 District 4 VP  
 District 5 VP  
 District 6 VP  
 District 7 VP  
 District 8 VP  
 District 9 VP  
 District 10 VP  
 District 11 VP

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Michael Radcliff  
 John Hamlin  
 Larry Spradlin  
 Ben Pollard  
 Frank Rohrbough  
 Ronald J. (Ron) Walcik  
 Ron Carter  
 Gary Lovell  
 Ronald W. Brown  
 Allen Greene  
 K. B. Hallmark  
 William Sekel  
 T. L. Holden

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**President's Reception (Friday, April 6th)**  
 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm - Salon D



**Nominating Committee (Saturday, April 7th)**  
 8:00 am - 8:45 am - Longhorn I-III



**Second General Session (Saturday, April 7th) - 9:00 am - 11:45 am - Longhorn I-III**

Pledge to the USA Flag  
 Opening Prayer  
 Officers' Reports (continued if necessary)  
 Committee Reports:

President-Elect Thomas Jackson  
 Chaplain Frank Pounders

Council of Chapter Presidents  
 Finance  
 Americanism Contests, Medals, & Awards  
 Archives/History/Yearbook  
 Color Guard  
 Communications  
 DAR Liaison  
 CAR Liaison  
 District VPs  
 Executive Committee  
 Expansion, Retention, & Membership  
 Fees and Dues  
 Genealogy  
 Information Technology  
 Long Range Planning  
 Newsletter  
 Patriot Fund Fundraising  
 Patriot Fund Trustees  
 Patriots Fund Projects

Joe Potter  
 Russell Dart  
 John Hamlin  
 Harmon Adair  
 William Watts  
 Sam Massey  
 Thomas Green  
 Ron Carter  
 Thomas Jackson  
 John Beard  
 David Temple  
 Drake Peddie  
 Larry Stevens/David Temple  
 Ray Cox  
 Thomas Jackson  
 Jim Dougherty  
 David Temple  
 Peter McClellan  
 David Temple





# TEXAS SOCIETY

## SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

### 123<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION



APRIL 5 - APRIL 8, 2018  
PLANO/EAST FORK TRINITY - HOST CHAPTERS

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#### MEETING SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

##### THURSDAY • April 5th

Special Programs - Longhorn I-III  
3:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
3:00 pm - Registrar Training  
4:00 pm - Gravestone Cleaning & Restoration  
5:00 pm - Candidates for National Office  
Social Hour - Lobby Bar  
*Dinner on your own*

##### FRIDAY • April 6th

8:00 am - Noon - Committee Meetings  
Noon - 1:00 pm - Lunch  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm - Committee Meetings  
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm - 1st General Session  
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm - President's Reception  
Salon D Ballroom

##### SATURDAY • April 7th

9:00 am - 11:45 am - 2nd General Session  
(Longhorn I - III)  
Noon - 2:00 pm - Youth Awards Lunch  
(Salon D)  
2:15 pm - 2:45 pm - Memorial Service  
(Longhorn I - III)  
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm - 3rd General Session  
(Longhorn I - III)  
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm - Social (Salon D Foyer)  
6:30 pm - 9:30 pm - Dinner Banquet  
(Salon D)

##### SUNDAY • April 8th

7:00 am - 1812 Society Breakfast (Spurs)  
8:15 am - 8:45 am - Religious Service  
Longhorn I - III  
9:00 am - Noon - BOM meeting  
Longhorn I - III

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#### Pledge to the Flag of the USA

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

#### Pledge to the Flag of the State of Texas

Honor the Texas Flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

#### Pledge to the SAR Flag

We descendants of the Heroes of the American Revolution, who by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of Liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

#### SAR Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a Nation of Free Men.

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Executive Comm. ⇒ Cactus Room (7am Friday)  
Ladies AUX ⇒ Regency Room (17<sup>th</sup> Floor)

Silent Auction / Raffle ⇒ Longhorn IV (Thu - Sat)  
GSW 1812 Breakfast ⇒ Spurs Room (7 am Sunday)



## Committee Meeting Schedule – Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

	Longhorn I/II/III	Salon E	Salon F	Salon G
7:00 - 8:00 am				
8:00 am	 Council of Chapter Presidents		Audit/Finance	 NSSAR Congress Planning
8:30 am			Perpetual Fund Tr.	
9:00 am		Patriot Graves	Patr. Fund Trustee Patr. Fund Projects Patriot Endowment Patriot Projects	
9:30 am	ACMA Youth Awards Committees – ROTC, Eagle Scout, Etc.	 District VPs & Past Presidents	By-Laws	
10:00 am			Education	
10:30 am				
11:00 am	Genealogy/Registrars	History/Archives	Communications & Publicity	Long Range Planning
11:30 am				
Noon	Lunch Break (1 hour)			
1:00 pm	State Meetings	Oration Committee	IT & Newsletter	
1:30 pm		CAR Liaison	Public Service	
2:00 pm	Color Guard	DAR Liaison		
2:30 pm		Afternoon Break (30 minutes)		
3:00 - 5:00 pm	General Session			

### Opening General Session (Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>) - 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm – Longhorn I-III

**Call to Order and Welcome**

**Posting of Colors**

**Pledge to USA, Texas, and SAR Flags**

**Opening Prayer**

**Host Chapter(s) Welcome**

**Introduction of Guests**

**Rules of Order**

**Credentials Report**

**President's Report and Comments**

**Report of Audit Committee & Inspector General**

**Report of the By-Laws Committee**

President John Beard  
Texas SAR Color Guard  
President-Elect Thomas Jackson  
Chaplain Frank Ponders  
Host Committee Chairman Drake Peddie  
President John Beard  
Chancellor Tracy Ponders  
Secretary Drake Peddie  
President John Beard  
TBD  
Chancellor Tracy Ponders

**Officer Reports:**

President  
President-Elect  
Immediate Past-President  
Secretary  
Communications Secretary  
Staff Secretary  
Treasurer  
Registrars ✓  
Chancellor  
Chaplain  
Historian

John Beard  
Thomas Jackson  
Michael Radcliff  
Drake Peddie  
Samuel P. Massey, Jr.  
David Temple  
Russell Dart  
Larry Stevens & David J. Temple  
Tracy A. Ponders  
Frank Ponders  
Harmon Adair

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**TEXAS SOCIETY- SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
COUNCIL OF CHAPTER PRESIDENTS MEETING AGENDA  
FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2018  
RICHARDSON, TX**

**Call Meeting to Order:**

- Bill Sekel, Vice-Chairman.

**Invocation:**

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**CoCP Officers:**

- Chairman: Joe Potter, Piney Woods Chapter
- Vice Chairman: Bill Sekel, Athens Chapter
- Secretary: Lloyd Lietz, McKinney Chapter

Membership is limited to sitting Chapter Presidents and Immediate Past Presidents, although anyone can attend the meeting.

The Council provides a forum for discussion and dissemination of various aspects of operational information, community service programs, and Chapter leadership between Chapter Presidents and officers/leadership of the Texas Society.

**State Officer Announcements:**

**Committee Announcements:**

**Other Announcements:**



**Approval of Minutes dated 14 October 2017 (TXS BOM):**

- Bill Sekel, Vice Chairman

**Unfinished Business:**

- Chapters Presidents Manual

**New Business:**

- Election of new CoCP Officers

**Adjournment:**



First Name	Last Name	Ch. #	Death Date
Martin D.	Page	5	June 14, 2017
James R.	Stadler	26	June 19, 2017
Coulter L.	Woodward	7	June 19, 2017
Jose J.	Tafolla	35	June 20, 2017
Wayne L.	Stinson, Sr.	26	June 24, 2017
Rudolph	Krisch, III, PhD	4	June 25, 2017
Dr. James E.	Heath, PhD	41	June 27, 2017
Richard R.	Purpura	41	July 3, 2017
John D.	Witherspoon, III	66	July 10, 2017
Richard M.	Ahlstrom	2	July 13, 2017
Charles W.	Reed	2	July 17, 2017
William V. (Bill)	Ellison	2	August 1, 2017
Thomas P.	Mayerle	33	August 2, 2017
Wesley R.	Wilson	66	August 2, 2017
Jeffery P.	Gammon	11	August 20, 2017
Grover L.	Nabors	43	August 21, 2017
Melvin M.	Bentley, Sr.	2	August 22, 2017
Roy T.	Rimmer, Jr.	6	August 23, 2017
William E.	Everheart, II	2	August 24, 2017
Terrance L.	Hamilton	6	August 31, 2017
Patrick H.	Luckett, Jr.	11	September 11, 2017
Durly M.	Bailey	26	October 5, 2017
Joseph N.	Luther, PhD	31	October 25, 2017
Bryan H.	Davis, Jr.	58	November 7, 2017
John C.	Cole	25	November 9, 2017
Clarence L.	Curl	9	November 10, 2017
Gustave A.	Mistrot, III	62	November 11, 2017
Edward C.	Rosier	25	November 13, 2017
William G.	Gamel	11	December 14, 2017
Afton W.	Verner	31	December 15, 2017
Mark A.	Boyd	26	December 28, 2017

# *TEXAS SONS OF THE American REVOLUTION*



*MEMORIAL SERVICE  
APRIL 7, 2018*

*HONORING TEXAS COMPATRIOTS  
WHO DIED IN 2017*



# TEXAS SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

## 2018 MEMORIAL SERVICE

Song  
Invocation  
Scripture: Isaiah 25:6-9

New International Version

On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples... On this mountain He will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; He will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; He will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken. In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in His salvation."

### Memorial Litany

We remember this day with thanksgiving to God, for our lives of the Compatriots who so recently served God, our country, and our society with devotion, loyalty and honor. They will always live in our memory as they continue to live in a world not limited by time and space.

Chaplain: Compatriots, let us remember and honor those of our ranks who are no longer with us.

Response: For they will rejoice in the bounds of the Lord and their sorrow will be no more. *Jeremiah 33:12*

Chaplain: The Lord is everlasting God. *Isaiah 40:28*

Response: The Creator of the ends of the earth. *Isaiah 40:28*

Chaplain: He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. *Isaiah 40:29*

Response: They will soar on wings like eagles, they will not run and not grow weary, they will walk and not grow faint. *Isaiah 40:31*

Chaplain: How lovely is Your dwelling place. O LORD Almighty! *Psalms 84:1*

Response: Even the sparrow has found a home and the swallow a nest for herself. *Psalms 84:3*

Chaplain: Better is one day in Your courts. *Psalms 84:10*

Response: Than a thousand elsewhere. *Psalms 84:10*

Chaplain: O Lord Almighty, my King and my God. *Psalms 84:3*

Response: Blessed are those who dwell in the house of the Lord. *Psalms 84:4*

Chaplain: Restore us again, O God our Savior. *Psalms 84:4*

Response: And put away Your displeasure toward us and grant us

Salvation. *Psalms 85:7*

Chaplain: I am the resurrection and the life. *John 11:25*

Response: He who believes in Me will live even though he dies. *John 11:25*

Chaplain: And whoever lives and believes in Me. *John 11:26*

Response: Will never die *John 11:26*

All: Amen



### THE READING OF THE MEMORIAL ROLL

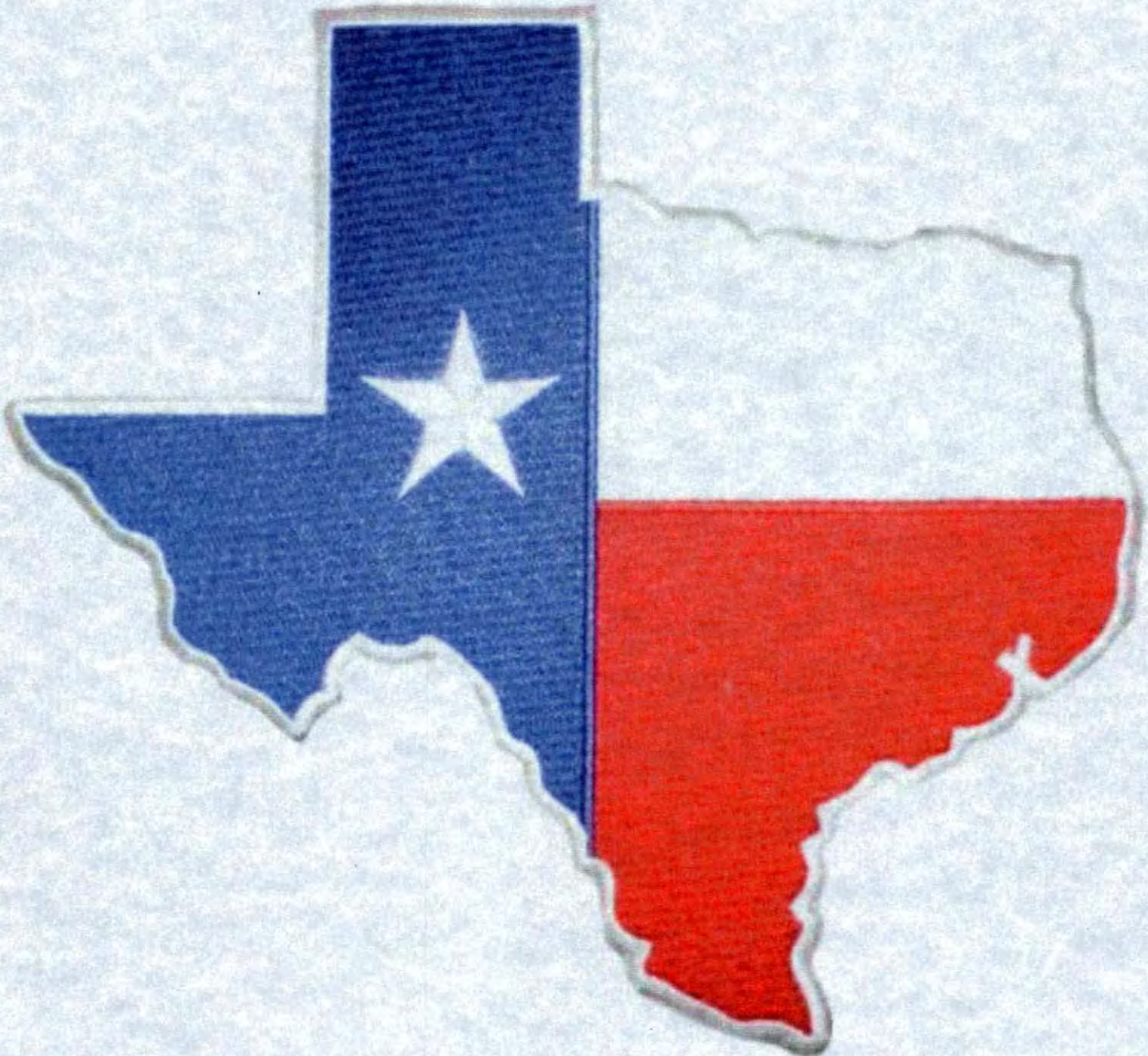
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Jack	Judson, Jr.	4	January 11, 2017
Gerald P.	Lillard	7	January 20, 2017
Terry E.D.	Sharit	54	January 20, 2017
Guy W.	Taylor	1	February 7, 2017
Frank E.	Roberts	47	February 11, 2017
Howard L.	Patton	31	February 14, 2017
David D.	Crum	62	February 24, 2017
Houston C.	Walkup	40	February 26, 2017
Louis	Segaloff	35	March 8, 2017
Charles R.	Hereford	38	March 14, 2017
Thomas A. D.	McNeese	5	March 14, 2017
Walter E.	Workman	31	March 16, 2017
Robert L.	Yate, Sr.	43	April 10, 2017
John D.	Nordin	50	April 11, 2017
Leonard G.	Cloud	40	April 23, 2017
Daniel B.	Stauffer	66	May 5, 2017
Stephen W.	Lee	25	May 7, 2017
Warren H.	Hunt, III, MD	57	May 10, 2017
Doyle D.	Garrison	7	May 13, 2017
David W.	Jones	62	May 15, 2017
Robert V.	Baylis	2	May 16, 2017
John G.	Laughter, Jr.	50	May 31, 2017
Hubert J.	Foster	6	June 4, 2017





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**Revolution**

2018 State Board of Managers  
New Braunfels, Texas







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October 12, Friday. Registration for the Fall 2018 Board of Managers Texas Sons of American Revolution.



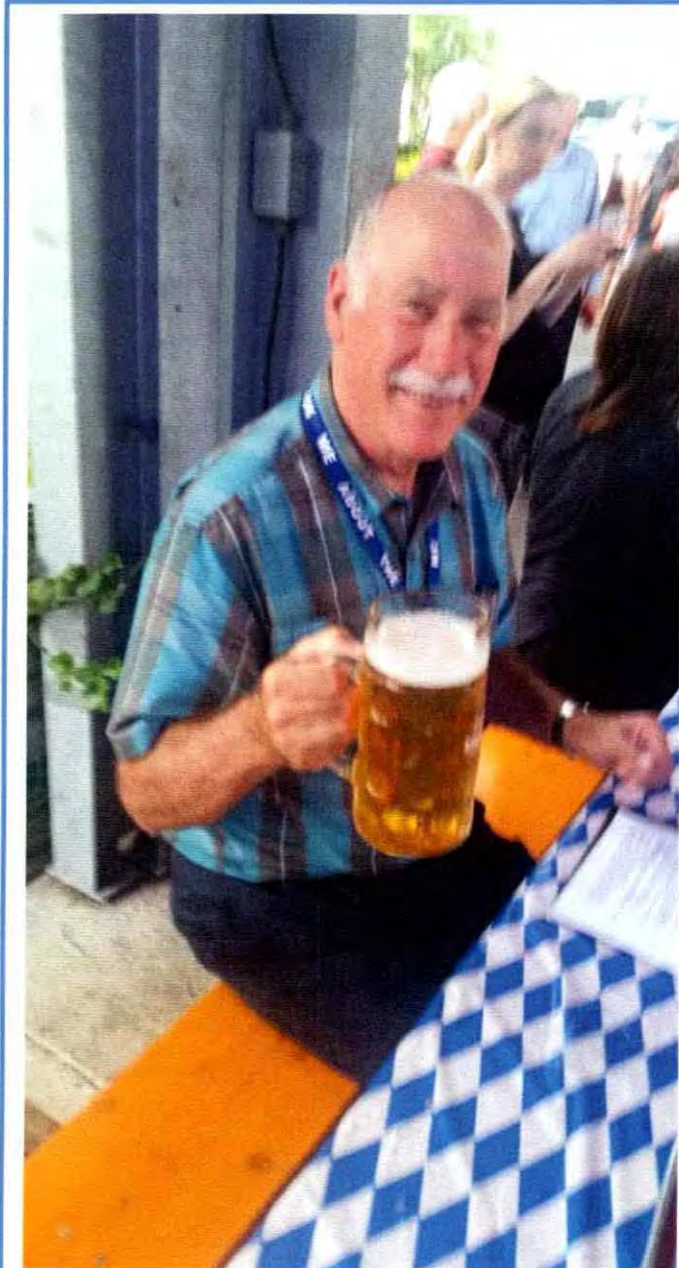
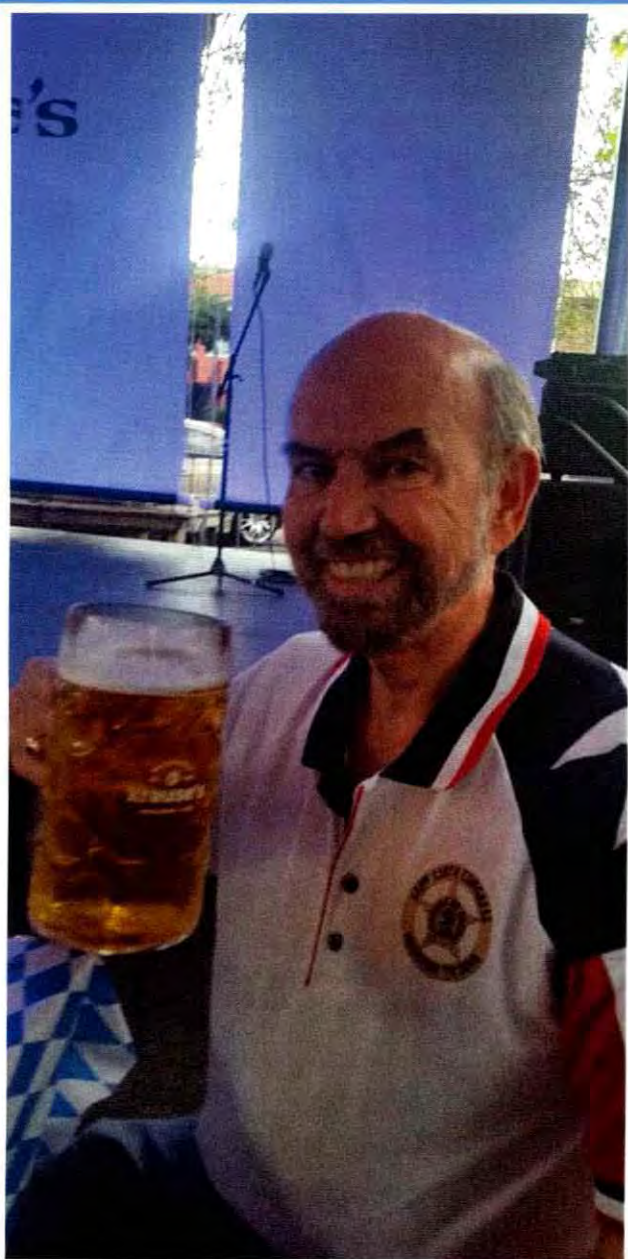
Former Texas President Larry Stevens talks about his trunk show for 5th grade students in the Humble Conroe





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October 12, Friday. Texas SAR dinner at Krause Cafe and Biergarten. Pictured below (L) Texas State President Tom Jackson and (R) Robert Rankin Chapter President Allen Greene. Can that beer mug get any bigger???

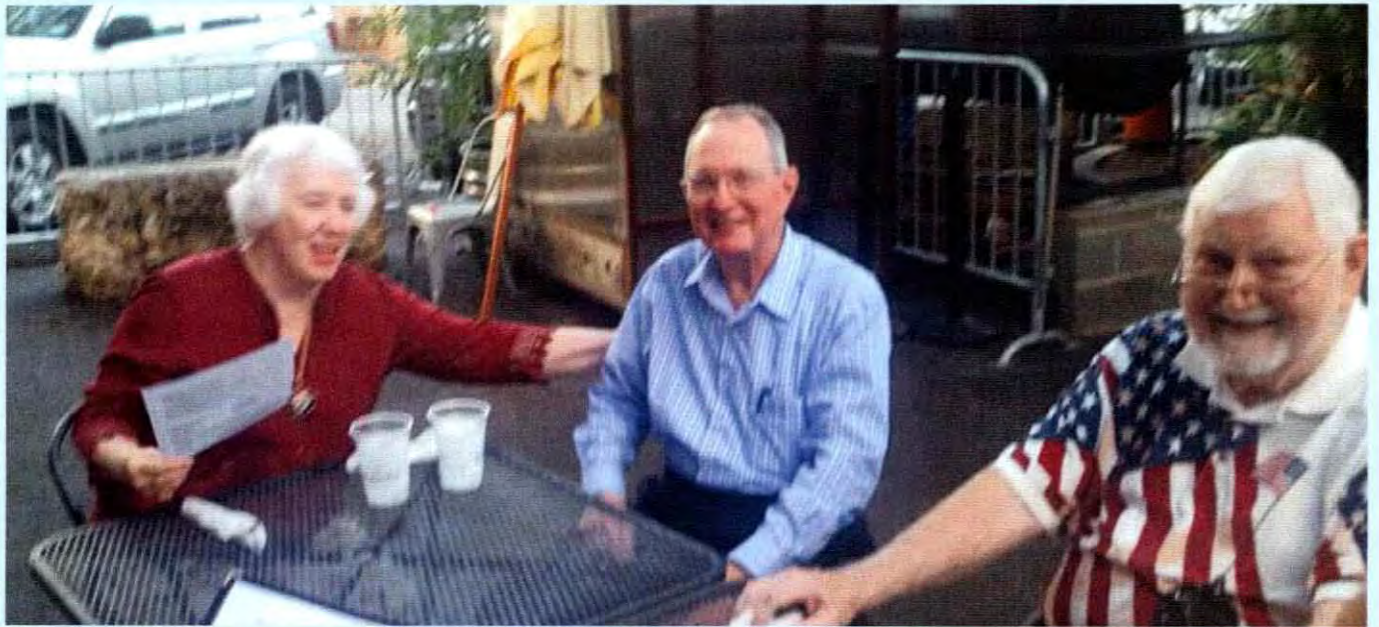






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October 12, Friday. Texas SAR dinner at Krause Cafe and Biergarten. Dr. Robert Cohen and Dr. Jane Cohen (retired from TAMU) and S.A. Judge Edward Butler, Robin Butler is there as well. A good time was had by all! Down below is President Joe Dooley in the middle with Tom Whitelock in his hat and Rudy Blair looking at the table trying to find his food.

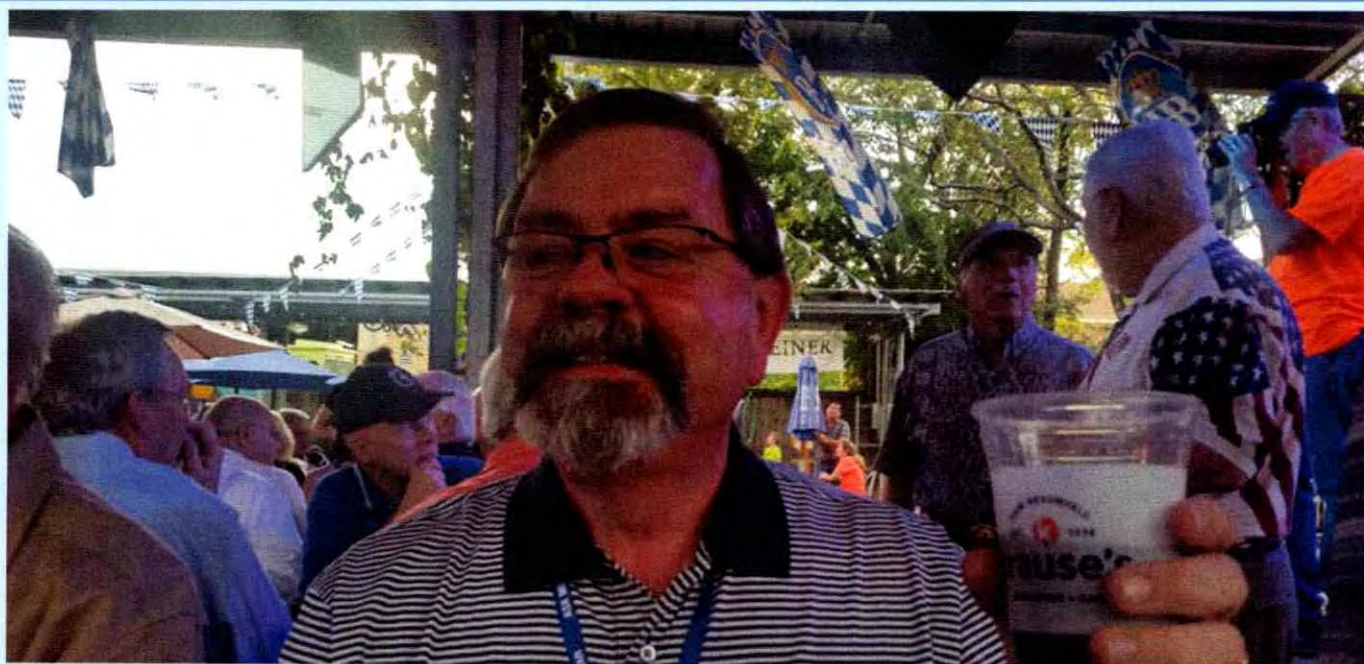






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October 12, Friday. Texas SAR dinner at Krause Cafe and Biergarten. In the top photo Staff Secretary Jim Kuykendall is toasting that all should have a good time and, in the photo, below we show we had a sell out!!







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Cousin Dr. Patrick Hollis and his wife  
Hildegard bring the German dancers







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October 12, Friday. Texas SAR dinner at Krause Cafe and Biergarten. From left to right is Mel Oller, Allen Greene, Tom Jackson and Jim Kuykendall. In the bottom picture Hildegard Hollis is at the microphone and the German dancers are starting.







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**October 13th, Saturday**

We start at 7:00 with the executive committee meeting and follow with the flag raising ceremony that starts at 7:45. Committee meetings start at 8:00 and run until lunch time.

At lunch we are entertained by the New Braunfels Trio and we have a guest speaker.

After lunch we opened the board of managers meeting for the Texas sons of the American Revolution.







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October 13, Saturday. The Mark Heymann Band plays German music and entertains at the luncheon. They have received a Certificate of Appreciation.



From L-R Stu Hoyt, Mark Heymann, and Tom Jackson.







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Tom Whitelock and Tom Jackson



Tom Jackson and his cousin Dr. Patrick Hollis. Patrick is also an author.



William Sekel is our Chairman of the Council of Chapter Presidents and is seen here conducting the meeting.





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The luncheon speaker was Carl "Sandy" Clauss, a retired history teacher, who spoke about Declaration of Independence signer Abraham Clark of New Jersey, the speaker's home state. He infused the talk with information about the German influence in the American Revolution.





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October 13, Saturday. Texas SAR Color Guard gather for a photo. They certainly are a dashing looking crew and ready to take on Red Coats at the drop of a hat.







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October 13, Saturday night. Evening Banquet at the Marriott Courtyard. Prior to the banquet there is a cocktail hour. The view from the pre event area is quite nice.







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Above (L-R): At the head table are Judge Tom Lawrence, Judge Ed Butler, and our speaker Dr. Jesús F. de la Teja, the first Texas State Historian and professor emeritus at Texas State University.

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Jesús F. de la Teja is Jerome H. and Catherine E. Supple Professor of Southwestern Studies, Regents' Professor of History, and Director of the Center for the Study of the Southwest at Texas State University. Formerly the book review editor for the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* (1997-2014), he served as the inaugural Texas State Historian (2007-2009), and as president of the Texas State Historical Association (2007-2008). Currently he serves on the board of directors of Humanities Texas and on the advisory board of the San Jacinto Museum of History. He is a recipient of the Americanism Medal from the Daughters of the American Revolution, a Fellow of the Texas State Historical Association and the Texas Catholic Historical Society, and a member of the Philosophical Society of Texas and the Texas Institute of Letters.





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In the photo above are (L-R) Tom Jackson, PG Judge Ed Butler, and First Lady Robin Butter. Ed receives a Congress Appreciation Medal for his work on the Broadside and History Seminar.

In the photo below are (L-R) Tom Jackson, PG Judge Nathan White, and First Lady Wanda White. Nathans receives his Congress Appreciation Medal for being in charge of the Host Reception and Wanda receives her Medal for being in charge of the table decorations.







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In the photo above are (L-R) Tom Jackson, PG Judge Tom Lawrence, and First Lady Mickey Jo. PG Lawrence receives a Congress Appreciation Medal for his work on the museum tour and securing county buses for use during the event.

In the photo below are (L-R) Catherine Massey, Dr. Jane Cohen, Dr. Bob Cohen, and Tom Jackson. Bob and Jane receive their Congress Appreciation Medals for their work on the Bush 41 tour and the SWAG. Catherine Massey receives a Silver Congress Appreciation Medal relating to her being charge of all ladies' functions and she and Shirley Houston working together for the Volunteer Reception.







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Pictured above (L-R): Dr. Jesús F. de la Teja and presiding Texas SAR State President Tom Jackson.

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Pictured at left, Dr. de la Teja has published extensively on Spanish, Mexican, and Republic-era Texas, most recently *Faces of Béxar: Early San Antonio and Texas* (Texas A&M University Press, 2016) and *Lone Star Unionism, Dissent, and Resistance: The Other Civil War Texas* (University of Oklahoma Press, 2016).







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From L-R: Tom Jackson, Mark Farmer, Michelle Nunez, and Stu Hoyt. Courtyard by Marriott hotel employees are given a Certificate of Appreciation for making our stay wonderful!



In the photo above is Tom Jackson, Stu Hoyt, the hotel manager, and a host chapter representative. A flag certificate is presented to the hotel for proudly flying the American flag.





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Receiving accolades from President Jackson for their work on the National Congress (L-R) Larry Tidwell, Bill Adriance, John Hamlin, and Pete Lenes.



Receiving the Furlong Award are participating Chapters. To earn this award each chapter must award a Flag Certificate. The bookends are President John Beard on the left and President-elect Tom Jackson on the right





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Receiving Congress Appreciation Certificates from L-R Tom Jackson, David Temple, and two unidentified Compatriots.



Receiving Congress Appreciation Medals from L-R Tom Jackson, Larry Stevens, John Beard, and Jim Jones. John Beard was in charge of the medal set while Larry and Jim were stalwarts in their support of Congress.





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October 14th. Sunday morning church service. Our two pastors are both out of commission so Elder Jim Kuykendall handles the service and does a fine job. We follow with the business end of the Board of Managers mtg and adjourn at 11:00 am.







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Larry Tidewell and his wife will be moving out of state very soon.



Joe Dooley receives a print from Tom Jackson in appreciation of his support



Children of the Revolution bring Greetings



Receiving Congress Medals for Color Guard work in the picture from L-R Tom Jackson, Blair Rudy, and Stu Hoyt.





**William Hightower Chapter**  
**Texas Society**  
**Sons of the American Revolution**



*Come Early! Stay Late! Enjoy the Culture!*

*Willkommen!*

October 12, 2018

Dear Compatriot:

On behalf of the William Hightower Chapter, willkommen to New Braunfels, Texas and the 2018 Fall Board of Managers Meeting of the Texas Society for the Sons of the American Revolution. We have an excellent program for you and sincerely hope that you will enjoy the meeting and the events that have been planned.

This welcome letter is set aside to inform you of all the opportunities available to you for your stay in our quant little community. There is much to do and see so come in early and stay another day. October is a special month in New Braunfels and most people know it because they have attended Oktoberfest! We are still Texas but many German families migrated to and settled in this area so we wish to share a little of the culture.

On Friday October 12, we invite you to join us at Krause's German Restaurant and Bier Garden at 186 S. Castell Ave., New Braunfels. In addition to a great meal, you can wash it down with 81 varieties of German Bier while enjoying some of our locals entertaining you with some German Folk Dancing. They may even ask you to join in. It should be a relaxing way to enjoy your weekend in the Hill Country.

1. Ask the Registration Desk about directions and transportation.

A Revolutionary Period Reproduction Musket (Charleville), a Bowie Knife and a Peace Pipe Tomahawk are being raffled during the convention. Check at the Registration Desk for details. The Raffle Ticket Price is \$5/ticket or 5 tickets for \$20. Tickets are available at the Registration Desk.

A Silent Auction is being held adjacent to the Hospitality Room throughout the meeting, closing during the Saturday Night Banquet. The auction will feature many interesting and collectible items accumulated from many participating Texas SAR Chapters. Started this spring – we have a **BUY IT NOW** option for most of the Silent Auction items. Yes, you can buy it and walk away with it right when you see it – Ask for details in the Silent Auction Room. As always, all proceeds for the Silent Auction go the Texas Society Patriot Fund. If you require a tax receipt for your donation, our team will be happy to provide you with a blank receipt to fill out yourself.



Details of many of these activities are supplied in your Registration Packet as well as information on the Ladies activities and more as separate flyers on the website. Also, refer to the private Texas SAR web site for a copy of the Travel Authorization Form under Reports/Form if you require that; consult your tax specialist as required.

We hope that you enjoy your stay with us in New Braunfels this weekend and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow Compatriots and their guests. Have a great weekend!

Regards,

**Stu Hoyt**

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2018 Fall BOM Host Chapter (Wm. Hightower) Committee Chairman



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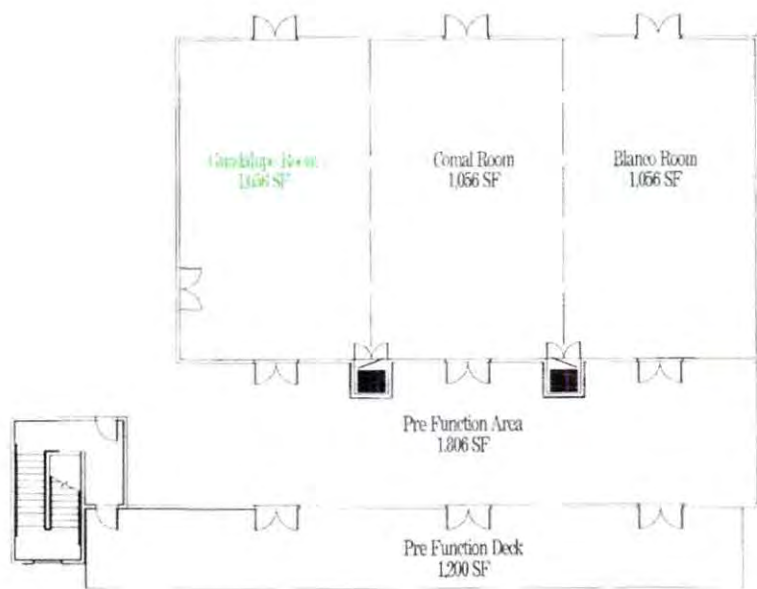
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## SUNDAY, October 14, 2018

8:15 AM – 8:45 AM	Guadalupe	Religious Service
8:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Rm 101	Hospitality Room
9:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Guadalupe	<b>Second General Session</b>
Invocation		Chaplain Rev Frank Pounders
Pledge		President Elect David Temple
Resume old or new Business		President Thomas Jackson
Retire the Colors		Texas SAR Color Guard
Closing remarks		President Thomas Jackson
SAR Closing		President Elect David Temple
Benediction		Chaplain Rev Frank Pounders
Adjourn		President Thomas Jackson



## TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



### BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING

**Marriott Courtyard – River Village**  
**750 IH 35 North**  
**New Braunfels, TX 78130**

**October 12-14, 2018**

**Hosted by William Hightower Chapter #35**

**FRIDAY, October 12, 2018**

TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
4:00 PM– 5:00 PM	Rm 101	Hospitality
11:00 AM -5:00 PM	Executive Board Room	Secretary / Treasurer
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Guadalupe	Education Trunk Show
5:00 PM – 5:45 PM	Guadalupe	Candidate Forum

**6:00PM – Informal Dinner at Krause's German Restaurant and Bier Garden 186 S. Castell Ave, New Braunfels**



## SATURDAY, October 13, 2018

TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
8:00 AM–5:00 PM	Rm 101	Hospitality
8:00 AM–6:00 PM	Rm 113	Silent Auction
10:00AM–11:00AM	Comal	Ladies Auxiliary Mtg.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS (SATURDAY)

TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
7:00 – 7:45 AM	Executive Board Room	Executive Committee
8:00 – 9:00 AM	Guadalupe	CoCP
	Executive Board Room	Audit/Finance
9:00 – 10:00 AM	Comal	Americanism CM&A, All Youth Contests
	Executive Board Room	DAR/CAR Committee
9:00 – 9:30 AM	Blanco	District VP Committee
	Guadalupe	Long Range Planning
9:30 – 10:00 AM	Blanco	Communications, Education, IT, Newsletter, Publicity
10:00 – 11:00 AM	Comal	Ladies Auxiliary
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Guadalupe	State Meetings
	Blanco	Genealogy/Registrar
10:30 – 11:00 AM	Blanco	Patriot Graves
11:00 – 11:30 AM	Comal	Veterans
	Blanco	JROTC
	Guadalupe	Eagle Scout
	Executive Board Room	Former State Pres

### LUNCH

**11:30 AM – 1:30 PM**    Pre-Function Area    Luncheon and Program

TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
1:30 PM–2:30 PM	Comal	Patriot Fund Projects, Patriot Fund Raising, Patriot Fund Endow, Patriot Fund Trustees, Perpetual Fund
1:30 PM–2:30 PM	Guadalupe	Color Guard
1:30 PM–2:30 PM	Blanco	Patriot Medal Nom.

## SATURDAY, October 13, 2018 1<sup>st</sup> Business Session

TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
<b>3:00 PM – 5:00 PM</b>	<b>Guadalupe</b>	<b>First General Session</b>
Call to Order and Welcome		President Thomas Jackson
Posting of the Colors		Texas SAR Color Guard
Pledge to U. S. and Texas Flags		President Elect David Temple
Pledge to the SAR		President Elect David Temple
Opening Prayer		Chaplain Rev Frank Pounders
William Hightower Chapter Welcome		Chapter President Steve Polk
Introduction of Guests		President Thomas Jackson
Approval of Minutes		President Thomas Jackson
Rules of Order for Meeting		Chancellor Tracy Pounders
President's Report and Comments		President Thomas Jackson
Officer Reports		(not printed)
Committee Reports		
Announcements		As Needed

### EVENING ACTIVITIES

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Pre-Function Area	Cash Bar
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Guadalupe/Comal/Blanco	Evening Banquet
Program printed separately		



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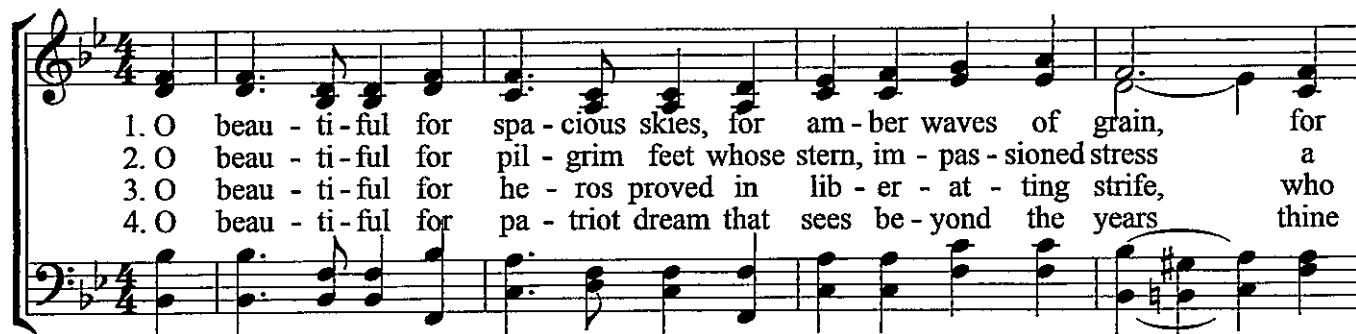


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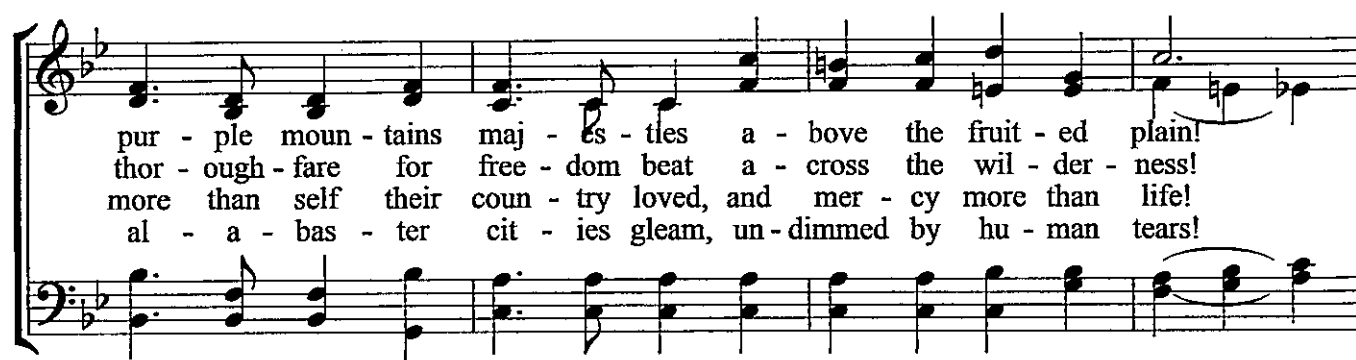
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Katharine L. Bates, 1893, 1904

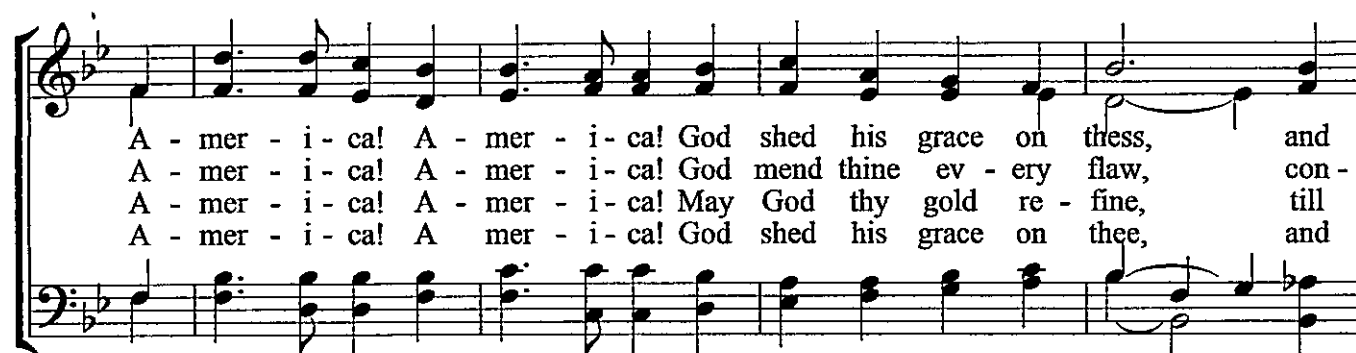
Samuel A. Ward, 1882



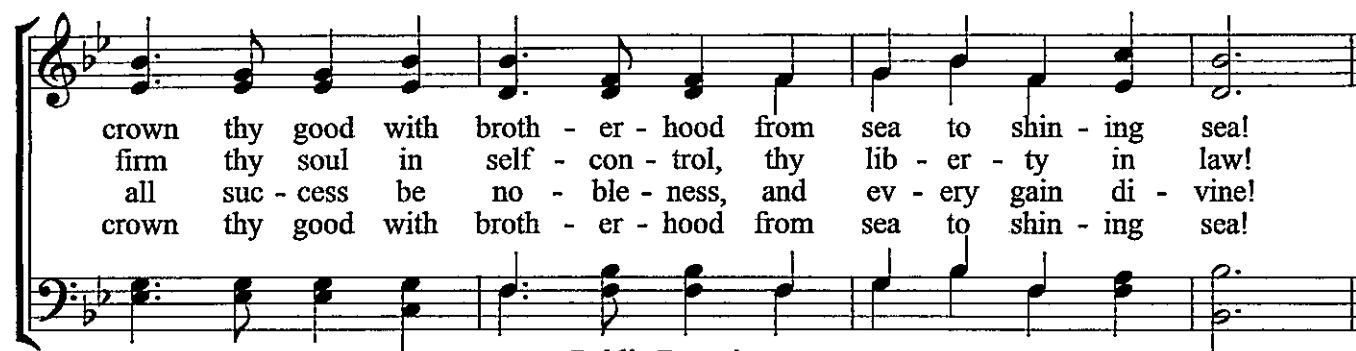
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 4. O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years thine



pur - ple moun - tains maj - es - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain!  
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A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thess, and  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw, con -  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine, till  
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crown thy good with broth - er - hood from sea to shin - ing sea!  
 firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law!  
 all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, and ev - ery gain di - vine!  
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*Thesaurus Musicus, 1744**With dignity*

1. My coun - try, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of lib - er - ty,  
2. My na - tive coun - try, thee, Land of the no - ble free,

Of thee I sing: Land where my fa - thers died, Land of the  
Thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and

pil-grims' pride, From ev - ery moun - tain side Let free-dom ring.  
tem-pled hills; My heart with rap - ture thrills Like that a - bove. A-men.

3 Let music swell the breeze,  
And ring from all the trees  
Sweet freedom's song;  
Let mortal tongues awake;  
Let all that breathe partake;  
Let rocks their silence break,  
The sound prolong.

4 Our fathers' God, to thee,  
Author of liberty,  
To thee we sing:  
Long may our land be bright  
With freedom's holy light;  
Protect us by thy might,  
Great God, our King. Amen.

*Samuel Francis Smith, 1809-95*

For a lower setting of this tune see No. 358





Texas SAR  
Board of Managers Meeting, 2018  
New Braunfels, Texas  
Luncheon Agenda

Call to Order .....	President Thomas Jackson
Invocation .....	Rev. James Taylor, D.D.
Pledge to U.S. & Texas Flags .....	President-Elect David Temple
SAR Pledge.....	President-Elect David Temple
Introduction of Head Table & Special Guests.....	President Thomas Jackson
Dismiss by table to Buffet .....	President Thomas Jackson

**Lunch**

Introduction of Speaker .....	District 3 V.P. Stuart Hoyt
“German Influence on the American Revolution” .....	Carl Sandy Clauss
SAR Recessional .....	President-Elect David Temple
Benediction.....	Rev. James C. Taylor, D.D.
Adjourn to Committee Meetings .....	President Thomas Jackson

German Music by

Mark Heymann

Luncheon Menu

**German Style Deli Buffet**

Garden Salad with Assorted Dressings  
Assortment of Breads and Condiments  
Freshly Sliced Turkey and Pastrami  
Havarti, Swiss, and Cheddar Cheese  
Sauerkraut, Kettle Chips & Pickle Spears

Served with Brownies, Iced Tea & Water





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#### SAR RECESSIONAL

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.





Jesús F. de la Teja, Ph.D.  
CEO Texas State Historical Association.

Austin, Texas—Jesús F. de la Teja, Ph.D. is the Chief Executive Officer of the Texas State Historical Association.

“Frank” de la Teja was TSHA President 2007–2008 as he concurrently served as the inaugural Texas State Historian (2007-2009). For seventeen years, July 1997 to April 2014, de la Teja was the book review editor of the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, responsible for hundreds of reviews of scholarly books on Texas and the Southwest. He has written numerous books and articles on history and contributed research articles to the *Quarterly*. His most recent book is *Faces of Bexar*, a Early San Antonio and Texas. Perhaps one of his greatest legacies is shared with his wife, Magdalena H. de la Teja, Ph.D. Together they have established the Catarino and Evangelina Hernández Research Fellowship to support further research in Latino history in Texas.

Named a TSHA Fellow in 2001, de la Teja has demonstrated remarkable abilities in research and knowledge as he has published extensively on Spanish, Mexican, and Republic-era Texas. He participated on the content development team for the Bullock Texas State History Museum. In addition, he is a recipient of the Americanism Medal from the Daughters of the American Revolution, a Fellow of the Texas Catholic Historical Society, and a member of the Philosophical Society of Texas and of the Texas Institute of Letters. Always eager to use new ways to promote Texas history, de la Teja delivered TSHA's inaugural Texas Talks, an interactive distance-learning program. He welcomed the opportunity to share his knowledge of Texas history. The celebrated historian is not from Texas; he was born in Cuba and raised in New Jersey. He earned both his bachelor's degree in political science and his master's degree in Latin American history from Seton Hall University. When he came to Texas to earn his doctorate in colonial Latin American history from The University of Texas at Austin, his interest in Texas history began. An instructor recommended de la Teja as a researcher for novelist James Michener, who was then writing *Texas*. He worked for Michener for more than two years. Retired since 2017, he loves to share his passion for Texas history. De la Teja's scholarly passion for Texas history coupled with his acquired knowledge of the inner workings of TSHA will serve him well as he joins Chief Historian Walter L. Buenger in leading the Association.

## TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



**Fall Board of Managers Meeting**

**Banquet**

**Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**New Braunfels, TX**

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## TEXAS-SAR OFFICERS

President.....	Thomas Jackson
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District 2 VP.....	Ben Pollard
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District 4 VP.....	Ronald J. Walcik
District 5 VP.....	Ronald Carter
District 6 VP.....	Gary Lovell
District 7 VP.....	Ronald W. Brown
District 8 VP.....	Allen Greene
District 9 VP.....	K. B. Hallmark III
District 10 VP.....	William Sekel
District 11 VP.....	Terry L. Holden
State Secretary .....	Drake Peddie
Communications Secretary.....	Sam Massey
Staff Secretary.....	Jim Kuykendall
Treasurer.....	Russell Dart
Vice President, CM&A .....	John Hamlin
Registrar - Coastal Group.....	Jack Muggli
Registrar - Inland Group.....	Jerry Brown
Historian.....	Harmon Adair
Chancellor.....	Tracy Pounders
Chaplain .....	Rev. Frank Pounders.
Chmn. C.C.P.....	William Sekel
Trustee.....	John Beard
Editor of Texas Compatriot.....	Jim Dougherty
Web Master.....	Ray Cox

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President, William Hightower #35, Host Chapter..... Steven R. Polk  
Chairman, Host Committee Fall BOM 2018..... Stuart Hoyt

## \*\*\* BANQUET PROGRAM \*\*\*

Call to Order	President Thomas Jackson
Invocation	Jim Kuykendall
Advance the Colors	Texas SAR Color Guard
Pledge to U.S. & Texas Flags	President-Elect David Temple
S.A.R. Pledge	President-David Temple
Welcome	President Thomas Jackson
Introduction of Head Table & Special Guests	President Thomas Jackson

## \*\*\* DINNER \*\*\*

Recognitions	President Thomas Jackson
Address	Jesús F. de la Teja, Ph.D
	"Spain and the American Revolution. From Texas to Yorktown"

## \*\*\* CLOSING \*\*\*

Remarks	President Thomas Jackson
Announce Raffle Winner	Stuart Hoyt
Silent Auction Settlement	Stuart Hoyt
Benediction	Jim Kuykendall
Retire the Colors	Texas SAR Color Guard
SAR Closing and Recess	President Thomas Jackson

### Dinner Menu

Mixed Green Salad with Assorted Dressings  
Choice of (2) Meat\*  
Grilled Chicken Breast Served with a Wild Mushroom & White Wine Jus  
Smoked Beef Tenderloin Medallions  
Squash and Zucchini Medley  
Warm Rolls and Butter  
Choice of seasonal Vegetable  
Assorted Cheesecakes  
Freshly Brewed Coffee,  
Iced Tea and Water







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128TH SAR  
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SEE SEPARATE BINDER





## 2018 SPRING LEADERSHIP

March 1, 2, 3. Louisville, Kentucky. SAR Leadership. This meets the first weekend of March every year. Friday night was an Irish celebration. Of course, I wore my Irish green coat and I wore my Robert Graham green as





**TEXAS SOCIETY- SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
COUNCIL OF CHAPTER PRESIDENTS MEETING MINUTES**

**SATURDAY, April 28, 2018**

**HYATT REGENCY NORTH DALLAS, TEXAS**

**Attendees:**

Bill Sekel (Athens), Chuck Hartline (Panhandle), Allen Greene (Robert Rankin), Ben Pollard (Panhandle), Ron Carter (Arlington), Ben Coker (Arlington), Rom Walcik (Heart of Texas), Chuck Hartline (Panhandle), Larry Spalding (Col Turner Sharp), Frank Rohrbough (San Antonio), Gary Lovell (E Fork Trinity), T. L. Holden (Edmund Terrill), Mike Connelley (Van Zandt)

**Call Meeting to Order and Welcome:**

- Bill Sekel, Vice Chairman called the Meeting to Order at 8:05 AM.
- Allen Greene volunteered to be Acting Secretary.

**CoCP Officers:**

- Joe Potter, Chairman (absent)
- Bill Sekel, Vice Chairman
- Lloyd Lietz, Secretary (absent)

Membership of the CoCP is limited to Current Chapter Presidents and Immediate Past Presidents, although anyone may attend the meeting.

**State Officer Announcements:**

- Drake Peddie, TXSSAR Secretary – Announced Chapter Presidents Manuel being updated. Asked everyone to review manual and make suggestions as necessary.
- The Chapter Officer Online Reports are now active with a 100% Online Data Base. Chapters are limited to twelve (12) officers that can be listed online.
- Dues Notice statements are now online to pay via PayPal. U.S. Mail dues notices will be mailed out soon.



- Chapter Secretaries are responsible for reinstating Chapter members and not the Chapter Registrars.

### **John Beard, Texas State President**

- Thanks for your help
- 2017 Annual Report
  - 3102 Members (record)
  - Texas now gets to award one additional Patriot Medal

### **Committee Chairman Announcements:**

- Drake Petty announced next meetings locations
  - Fall Meeting: New Brownfields
  - Spring Meeting: Omni in Austin
- Larry Blackburn, TXSSAR National Congress Planning Committee – Recruiting TXSSAR members for helping with the upcoming SAR National Congress being held in Memorial City, Texas July 11 through July 19, 2018. There are two (2) four-hour (4) shifts per day being formed. A member can work one shift per day or both for as many days as able. The shifts require four (4) Registration Desk Members and four (4) Credential Desk Members. There is also a need for three (3) Drivers for the bus trips and four (4) Day Captains. There are 80 volunteers needed. Please contact him at [lblackburn@eereed.com](mailto:lblackburn@eereed.com) to volunteer!

### **Approval of Minutes (from October 14, 2017, San Antonio, Texas State Convention):**

- Minutes Approved

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Bill Sekel
  - Chapter Presidents Manual
    - Please Review
    - Email Bill Sekel any suggestions



- Please complete within 2 months
- Suggestions for Presidents Manual
  - Add presentation Scripts

## **NEW BUSINESS**

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  - All positions 1 year
  - Must commit to 3 years
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## **ELECTION of NEW OFFICERES**

- Bill Sekel willing to serve as Chairman
- Mike Connelly wiling to serve as Vice Chairman
- Allen Greene willing to serve as Secretary
  - All Nominated, seconded and approved

**Adjournment: 9:05 AM**

Respectfully submitted,

H Allen Greene

Acting Secretary

Council of Chapter Presidents



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- Mike Connelly wiling to serve as Vice Chairman
- Allen Greene willing to serve as Secretary
  - All Nominated, seconded and approved

**Adjournment:** 9:05 AM

Respectfully submitted,

H Allen Greene

Acting Secretary

Council of Chapter Presidents



# NSSAR



## FALL LEADERSHIP

### OCTOBER 2018

September 29, Saturday. The Donor Recognition Breakfast starts at 7:00 in the morning. This started out years ago as the George Washington Endowment Fund asking each member to donate \$1,000 to build a fund where the principle would never be touched and only the earnings would be used and fund underfunded areas. Seven members from Texas became GW members, including five from my own family. The fund now has a balance of \$2 million. This idea was the brainchild of a Texas SAR physician from Houston providing a way for all to participate in giving back to the future.



This photo is from my breakfast table at 7:00 in the morning looking out onto the street. This is an amazingly lovely hotel.



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## FALL LEADERSHIP

### OCTOBER 2018



This year I serve as President of the Council of State Presidents and although there is not a picture of me I took a photo of those attending the meeting! I also attended the JROTC meeting to learn more about the AFJROTC decision to ban the wearing of lineage medals going forth. I am member of the Donor Compliance Committee and make a brief presentation on the impact of the new FASB on non-profits.



# NSSAR



## FALL LEADERSHIP

### OCTOBER 2018

September 28th, Friday. Louisville, KY Sons of the American Revolution, Brown Hotel. Twice a year I got to Louisville, KY for Leadership meetings.



In the picture is David Temple, Bob Cohen, Judge Tom Lawrence, and yours truly. Photo bombing is my distant cousin Dan Woodruff, who is also a Native Texan! The Woodruff line also produced the Coca-Cola family. I qualify as the poorer relations!

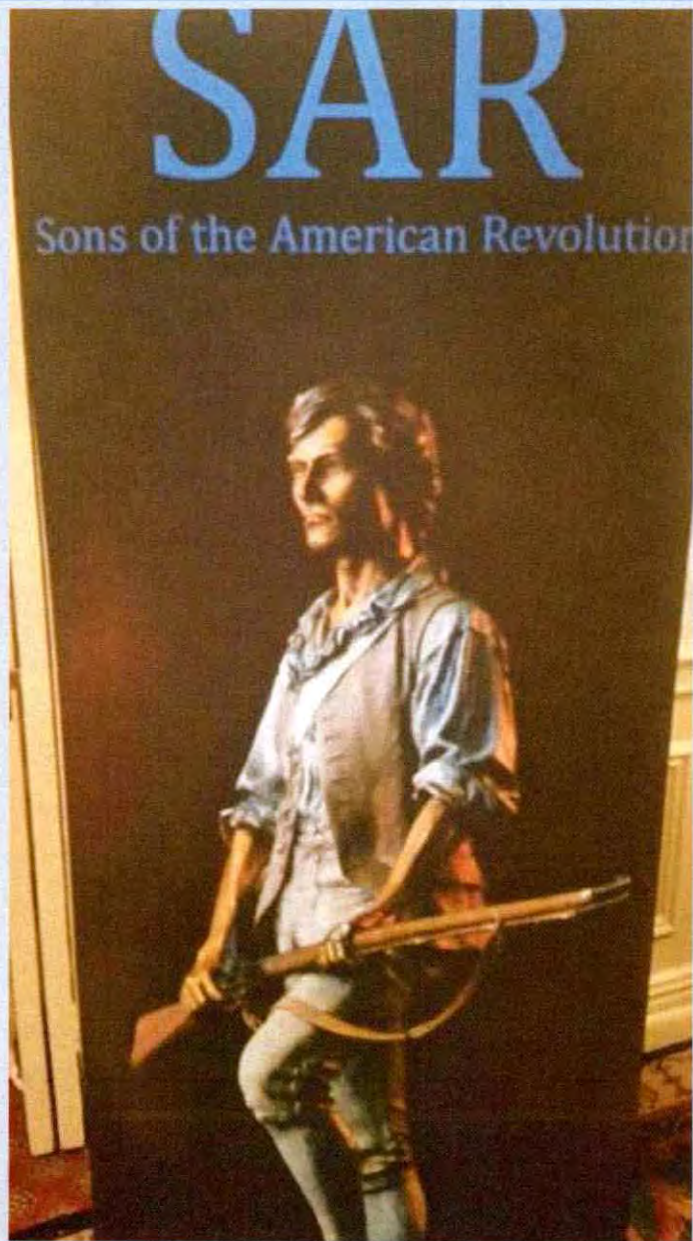


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# MOKAT

## SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT





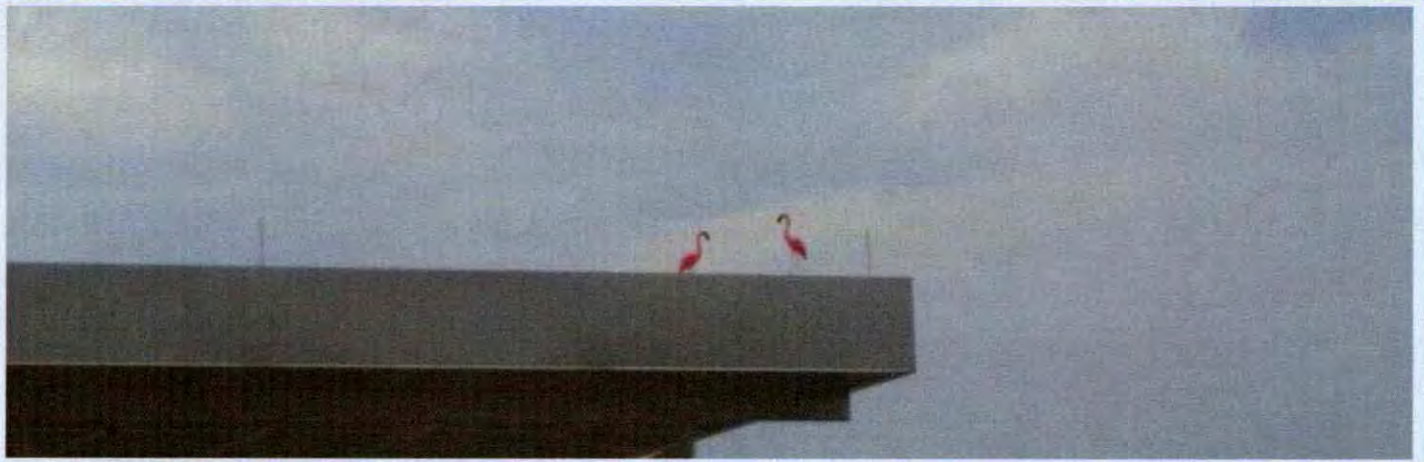
# MOKAT



## SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

### AUGUST 24-26, 2018

August 24th, Friday. I fly to Springfield Missouri for the South Central District meeting of the Sons of the American Revolution. I thought it was a bit amusing that somebody placed two plastic flamingos on top of the exit roof overhang at the airport. The driver told me that the flamingos move around the airport and are found in different places. The highlight of Friday night may have been the fire alarm that went off and took a couple of hours for the fire department to clear.





# MOKAT



## SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

### AUGUST 24-26, 2018





# MOKAT



## SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

### AUGUST 24-26, 2018

August 25th, Saturday. We wrap up the SCD meeting covering business matters and the reports from each of the five states: Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas and Texas. PG Warren Alter is in attendance.



Events and Minutes

## South Central District Conference

Hosted by the State Society of Kansas

25 - 26 August 2017



# MOKAT



## SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

### AUGUST 24-26, 2018





### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation Under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all"**

### **Pledge to the S.A.R.**

**"We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."**

### **S.A.R. Recessional**

**"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and Independent Supreme Court and a nation of free Men."**



## **South Central District Sons of the American Revolution**

**2018 Annual Meeting  
24-25 August, 2018  
Springfield, MO**

**South Central District  
Daniel R. McMurray,  
Vice President General**



**Schedule of Events**  
**Friday, 24 August 2018**

**12:00 PM** Registration begins  
**4:00 PM** Candidate's Forum, Arkansas Room  
**5:30 PM** Color Guard formation  
Flag Ceremony  
**6:30 PM** Color Guard Assembles  
**7:00 PM** Banquet, Kansas Room

**Saturday, 25 August 2018**

**7:00 AM** Registration continues  
Breakfast, Kansas Room  
**9:00-12:00** Business Meeting, Arkansas Room  
**12:00 PM** Meeting adjourns

**Friday Banquet**

7:00 PM in the Kansas Room  
Opening formalities  
Introduction of National Officers & Guests  
Introduction of States Presidents  
Introduction of South-Central District Officers

**Dinner**

Welcome to Missouri, MOSSAR President Merrill  
Introduction of PG David Appleby and his  
introduction of PG Alter, our keynote speaker  
Presentation of Gifts  
Benediction-MOSSAR Chaplain Dan Philbrick

**Saturday Breakfast and Business Meeting**

7:00 AM Breakfast in the Kansas Room  
Invocation-MOSSAR Chaplain Dan Philbrick  
Presentation of Colors-SCD Color Guard  
Pledge of Allegiance-MOSSAR President Merrill  
SAR Pledge-TXSSAR President Thomas Jackson

9:00 AM Business Meeting in the Arkansas Room  
Roll call of state societies  
Presentation of 2017 minutes  
State society reports  
Old business  
New business  
Nominations for NSSAR General Officers  
Voting  
Nomination for the 2019-2020 VPG for SCD  
Closing formalities





## Sons of the American Revolution Indiana State Society

Office of the President

Robert C. Pfaff, Ph.D.

Greetings Compatriots:

Another year is about to end soon. This fall, the loss of daylight has struck me more than ever before. Every year life seems to get busier; mine certainly has, even in alleged retirement. And I swear time goes by faster, too. But nevertheless, autumn is a great time to reflect about the past year.

I've now attended several National SAR events and they are as interesting as they are daunting. Everyone talks about how they are from the great state of... This summer, Congress was held in Houston, Texas and they really put on a show. Next summer, Congress is in Costa Mesa, California. It is a huge time and money commitment, but it's equally essential that *we*, Indiana SAR, represent our views in shaping national SAR policies and practices.

The members of the Indiana SAR are always very busy. In the past year, *you* accomplished a lot. Patriot graves were marked. *Our* color guard was busy at Conner Prairie, at Vincennes, in parades, at naturalization ceremonies and so much more. A look at the list of national officers and committee members shows we are well represented from the top of the Society down. *Our* Orations winner finished *1<sup>st</sup> in the nation* this year; we should be proud of our youth. *You* sponsored a student at Hoosier Boys State, and have done so for what feels like forever. *You* worked hard and helped grow our membership. And this is in addition to *our* local chapter contributions to our communities.

The Indiana SAR could not have done any of this without you, and for that I say **Thank You**. Besides, *you are* the Indiana SAR! Please keep up the excellent work. My term as your President will be ending in the spring and it has been a privilege and honor; it has given me a better overall view of what *you* do.

Now it is time to renew your membership in the SAR for another year. I invite you to do it soon so there is no lapse in your membership status. We need you to continue being an *active* part of the Indiana SAR and your local chapters. The SAR has members from all the Great States and from foreign countries, but you are part of the Great State of Indiana. Let's keep showing the other states just how great we are.

We are looking forward to another year working with you and for you. Ensure your voice gets heard by renewing your membership now, while it's still in front of you.

In your humble service,

*Rob*





# 128<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONGRESS

## THE BEGINNING OF THE STORY

July 9th, Monday. Sons of the American Revolution National Congress, hosted by the Texas Society at the Westin Memorial City Hotel, starts in just 4 days. My part-time secretary Andrea has put in two 40 hour weeks helping me on Congress and this week the days stretch past 8 hours. I could not have done this without her help.

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- Proposed SAR Museum Gallery
- 1768: The Year of the Farmer
- DNA Found My Brother



## Congress 2018: Houston Bound



## Houston, We Have No Problems

128th Annual Congress  
Houston, Texas  
July 14-19, 2018

Gentlemen, it is time to saddle up and money down to the Space City of America—Houston, Texas—for our next annual Congress. The weather will be hot, the culture exciting and, best of all, the hospitality of the Texas Society will continue to make people think that it is "bigger in Texas."

Hotel accommodations will be at the Westin Memorial City of Greater Houston. You can fly into either Bush International or Hobby International, since they are both about equidistant to the hotel. It's best for you not to come in at 3-4 p.m., because this is the largest city in the state and the highways and highways are extremely busy.

So what can you do in this city, which is sometimes called the "Energy Capital of the World"? Well for starters, you can go on one of the Saturday tours to either NASA or to the Bush 41 Presidential Library in neighboring College Station, Texas. At NASA, you will get a tram tour, see both the new and old Mission Control Center, stop by the Saturn V rocket park and see the Space Vehicle Mockup Facility. If you choose to go to the George H.W. Bush Library, you will see the core exhibit space, which tells the story of the life and times of George H.W. Bush, 41st President of the United States. Family-friendly and educational exhibits guide visitors through an interactive tour of the museum. View replicas of President Bush's Camp David Office and White House Press Room, and receive a briefing on the Gulf War in the Situation Room. Have your picture made while seated at the desk in our replica Oval Office. View an online museum tour. The Assay Gallery of American History features temporary exhibits that rotate throughout the year. Find out what will be on exhibit during your visit. At the conclusion of the day, come join the Texas Society for their welcome to Texas as Congress hosts the Society Reception.

Sunday dawns bright and beautiful with the Color Guard Breakfast and then committee meetings. If you do not have a meeting, attend the eliminations of the Rumbough Orleans Contest. Be on the lookout for the Assembly of the Line by President General Larry Gury before boarding air-conditioned buses in travel to the Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church for the Memorial Service. Following that, the First Lady will host her on-site before the Ladies return to the hotel. Gentlemen will have bus transportation back to the hotel for meetings and the genealogy seminar featuring David Lambert, chief genealogist of the New

England Historical and Genealogical Society based in Burton.

The evening will end with the Rumbough Orleans Dinner. Monday begins with the State President Breakfast and the opening of Congress. This is followed by the Fourth Awards Luncheon, afternoon sessions for the men and Ladies Auxiliary Meeting for the ladies. The evening ends with the induction of the newest Missions and the presentation of national awards to the state societies.

Tuesday is the District Breakfasts, and we return to have another session of Congress, which will include the nominations for elections. The George Washington Fellows Luncheon provides the balloting in the afternoon.

Additionally, we will have a history symposium titled "Without the Assistance of Spade, We Would Still Be Flying the British Flag." It will be a discussion panel led by President General (2009-2010) Ed Butler along with Spanish Consul General Enay Calpe and Mary Anthony Starna, a member of the Order of Genesee's V. Dumas de Galvez, an organization responsible for promoting the history of Spanish role in the American Revolution. It should be an interesting afternoon. Ladies will be at the Justice League of Houston for the Ladies Luncheon. That evening is the President General's Banquet.

Wednesday is the last session of the Congress. Following this, there are two tours for you to select from. One is the San Jacinto Battlefield tour, which will be hosted by Comparative Tom Gervet of the Texas Society. He will explain the battle and its significance in the history of Texas and one nation. You will have the opportunity to tour the battlefield and learn about the different aspects of the battle.

Additionally, you will have time to go up in the monument and view the surrounding area from more than 400 feet above the ground. See the Houston skyline, the battlefield and one of the best-kept secrets in the nation from the top of the monument. The other option is the Museum of Houston tour. This group will have the opportunity to visit the area of Houston known for its museums. You will have the opportunity to visit the Museum of Fine Arts, the Museum of Natural Science or the Clayton Genealogical Library during your time downtown. All of these sites are included in your tour costs. There are also the Children's Museum, Holocaust Museum, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston Biowave Museum and Health Museum within easy walking distance, if these are of more interest to you. These sites may incur an additional cost if you choose to attend them. Finally, the evening's Installation Banquet will be the concluding event of the Congress.

So, time to get going on the plans and register for the events you are going to attend. Looks like a lot of fun, and thank you to the Texas Society for hosting the 128th Congress in Houston. See you there.







# 128<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONGRESS

## VOLUNTEER RECEPTION SET UP AT THE CZECH MUSEUM

July 11th, 2018, Wednesday. Czech Center Museum. This is the setup crew for the Thursday night volunteer reception which kicks everything off. Shirley and Tom Houston have provided the decorations and Catherine and Helen with a little guidance from Shirley provide the artistic appeal. Shirley is a dear and a classic but she reminds me continually that I was lucky and smart to get the ladies involved in this event so that it would be a success as opposed to looking like a man did it! Surely you are correct you ladies are outstanding!



Czech Center Museum in Houston, TX.



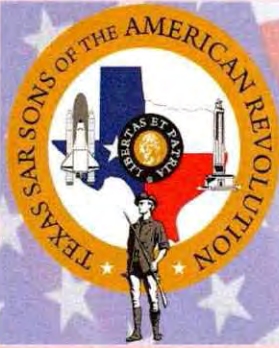


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Shirley and Tom Houston with my secretary Andrea (pictured at right). Andrea added a creative touch of her own which will show up at the dinner the following night.







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### VOLUNTEER RECEPTION SET UP AT THE CZECH MUSEUM

July 12th, 2018, Czech Center Museum, Prague Hall, Thursday. 4pm... awaiting the arrival of approximately 125 Compatriots, spouses, and guests. Catering is from Sylvia's Enchilada Kitchen and they are serving their famous Mexico City and Refugio Enchiladas. Decorations are provided by Shirley and Tom Houston and creative genius supplied by Catherine Massey and Helen Worthen. Sam Massey Jr. and Mark Worthen help with heavy lifting. Iced Tea, Lemonade and water are provided and for those who wanted something a little stronger, Texas wine and beer were featured. Sangria from Messina Hof, Voignier from Becker, and Pinot Grigio from Fall Creek and Ste. Genevieve. Shiner Bock which a Czech/Texas beer rounded out the selection.



Allen Greene set up the Step and Repeat. The design was by InkDots and featured the 2 logos of Texas Host Society for National Congress.





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# 128<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONGRESS

## VOLUNTEER RECEPTION

July 12th, Thursday. Volunteer Reception at the Czech Center Museum in the Museum District, downtown Houston. For the fun of it I give red roses to the ladies who were instrumental in planning of the Congress. What is special about the roses is not only do they not need water they will light up bright red if you push a button! As a thank you from the Texas Society I am presented with a framed reproduction of a painting of George Washington by Stuart. For extra fun I give Shirley (Tom Houston) yellow roses each in their own individual vial of water. That idea came from Andrea my secretary and once again the ladies save me! I also present Paul Callanan with a 50 year old print of Lamb's Colonial Artillery Unit. Some of the ladies receiving roses were Catherine Massey, Mickey Jo Lawrence, Karin Guzy (Larry Guzy), Barbara Stevens, Mary-Claire Beard, Keitha Callanan, Sue Lenes (John P. Lenes), Wanda White, and Jane Cohen (Robert Cohen). The evening was a grand success as National Officers mingled with volunteers some of whom will have never met the National President. What a great way to start the Congress. Douglas T. Collins and Tom Whitelock you were missed!



### 128TH CONGRESS OF SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION







# 128<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONGRESS

## VOLUNTEER RECEPTION





**2018 NATIONAL CONGRESS VOLUNTEERS BY GROUPS:**

TOM JACKSON – CHAIR

LARRY BLACKBURN – VOLUNTEERS COORDINATOR

**VOLUNTEERS RECEPTION THURSDAY EVENING 7/12/2018**

**REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS DESKS OPEN AT 1PM FRIDAY 7/13/2018**

CREDENTIALS COORDINATORS: BOB COHEN AND BILL MARRS

REGISTRATION COORDINATORS: ALLEN GREEN AND RON BROWN

**CARRINGTON CHAPTER – FRIDAY 7/13, 8AM – 12N (SET UP AND STUFF BAGS)**

1. SAM MASSEY
2. CHARLES WAGNER
3. MARK WORTHEN
4. JIM WILSON
5. JIM RILEY
6. STEPHEN ROGERS
7. BILL HADDOCK

**INDEPENDENCE CHAPTER – FRIDAY 7/13, 8AM - 12N (SET UP AND STUFF BAGS)**

1. BOB COHEN
2. JIM JONES
3. TED WILSON
4. GEORGE NELSON
5. KEN GRAALUM

**ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER – FRIDAY 7/13, 12N – 4PM (CHECK IN DESKS OPEN AT 1PM)**

1. ALLEN GREENE
2. ALLAN PERKINS
3. MURRAY GREENE
4. THERON MCLAREN
5. JERRY CLANTON
6. BERNICE MISTROT
7. HENRY SMITH



**ALEXANDER HODGE CHAPTER – FRIDAY 7/13, 12N – 4PM**

1. RON BROWN
2. CARL HILL

**FREEDOM CHAPTER – SATURDAY 7/14, 8AM – 4 PM**

1. MEL OLLER – LEADER
2. JIM KUYKENDALL
3. JOHN K THOMPSON
4. JOHN MEREDITH
5. SCOTT HEBERT
6. MARSHALL BROWN
7. KEN MAYFIELD
8. DAVE MORTON
9. DAVID CHESNEY
10. RICK DOWLING
11. DAVID UNDERDOWN

**PINEY WOODS CHAPTER – SUNDAY 7/15, 8AM – 4PM**

1. JIM PINKERTON – LEADER
2. KERMIT BREED
3. KIM MORTON
4. JOE POTTER
5. CANNON PRITCHARD
6. B RAY MIZE
7. BUDDY INMAN
8. JOHN BEARD
9. RAY COX

**AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT AT CREDENTIALS AND REGISTRATION:**

**MONDAY 7/16, TUESDAY 7/17, WEDNESDAY 7/18**

ROY LEONARD, ROBERT HITES, KENNETH TOOKE, BILL SCHWETKE, BLAIR RUDY,  
FRED STIGALE & CHRISTINE, BILL WHATLEY, BILLY MAYO, ALEX THORNE & MARTI,  
BEN BONNETT, LOVELL ALDRICH, JOHN ANDERSON, AL GIBSON, ROBERT BRADY,



**OFF-SITE EVENTS TRAVEL BY BUS:**

VOLUNTEERS (ONLY) RECEPTION THURSDAY EVENING 7/12 – TOM JACKSON

HOST SOCIETY RECEPTION SATURDAY EVENING 7/14 – NATHAN & WANDA WHITE

BUSH LIBRARY TOUR SATURDAY MORNING 7/14 – BOB COHEN & INDEPENDENCE CHAPTER

KEN TELG, BILL CHANCE, STEWART SHERVONNE SMITHEY, JIM BRUFFETT,

ANN HAYES, JOHN BLAIR, MERVIN, PETERS, BILL MUSKE

NASA TOUR SATURDAY MORNING 7/14 – JOHN HAMLIN AND GALVEZ CHAPTER

SAN JACINTO TOUR WEDNESDAY MORNING 7/18 – TOM GREEN AND LARRY STEVENS

HOUSTON MUSEUMS TOUR WEDNESDAY MORNING 7/18 – TOM & MICKI JO LAWRENCE

**LADIES AUXILIARY COORDINATOR: CATHERINE MASSEY**

MARY CLAIR BEARD, BARBARA STEVENS, JANE COHEN, MICKI JO LAWRENCE, WANDA WHITE,  
DIANE JONES, BERNICE MISTROT, MARY THOMPSON, CHRISTINE STIGALE

**TEXAS SOCIETY “REGISTERED” MEMBERS**

1. THOMAS JACKSON
2. JOHN BEARD
3. SAM MASSEY
4. LARRY BLACKBURN
5. JOHN HAMLIN
6. LARRY SPRADLIN
7. STU HOYT
8. RON WALCIK
9. RON CARTER
10. GARY LOVELL
11. ALLEN GREENE
12. TERRY L HOLDEN
13. MIKE RADCLIFF
14. LARRY STEVENS
15. BILL WATTS



DAN LEEDY, MICHAEL BIERMAN, CARL WIGGINS, JOHN WEIR

**COLOR GUARD: WELCOME DESK (OPENS FRIDAY 7/13 AT 1PM), COMMANDERS: STU HOYT, BILL WATTS, JOHN K THOMPSON AND MICHAEL RADCLIFF**

GUARDSMEN: TOM GREEN, LARRY STEVENS, BEN POLLARD, RON WALCIK,

BILL SEKEL, WAYNE COURREGES, PETE LENES, T L HOLDEN, ALLEN GREENE

1. FRIDAY
2. SATURDAY
3. SUNDAY + CHURCH SERVICE
4. MONDAY + GENERAL SESSIONS AND BANQUET
5. TUESDAY + GENERAL SESSIONS AND BANQUET
6. WEDNESDAY + GENERAL SESSIONS AND BANQUET

**TEXAS SOCIETY VOLUNTEERS T-SHIRT DESK: JIM CLEMENTS AND WAYNE COURREGES**

1. FRIDAY 7/13, 8AM – 4PM
2. SATURDAY 7/14, 8AM – 4PM

**DAY CAPTAINS COORDINATORS: STEPHEN ROHRBOUGH AND FRANK ROHRBOUGH**

DAVID TEMPLE, DRAKE PEDDIE, RUSSELL DART, JACK MUGGLI,

JERRY BROWN, HARMON ADAIR, LARRY SPRADLIN, RON CARTER,

GARY LOVELL, JIM DOUGHTERY, ART MUNFORD, LARRY CASEY

1. FRIDAY 7/13,
2. SATURDAY 7/14,
3. SUNDAY 7/15,
4. MONDAY 7/16,
5. TUESDAY 7/17,
6. WEDNESDAY 7/18,



16. EDWARD BUTLER
17. THOMAS LAWRENCE
18. NATHAN WHITE
19. BILL MARRS
20. MEL OLLER
21. JOHN K THOMPSON
22. ART MUNFORD
23. THOMAS GREEN
24. JIM JONES
25. ROBERT COHEN
26. STEPHEN ROHRBOUGH
27. ALLAN PERKINS
28. MIKE CONNELLEY
29. LARRY CASEY
30. JERRY CLANTON
31. DAN LEEDY
32. KEN GRAALUM
33. RON BROWN
34. WILLIAM SEKEL
35. JIM CLEMENTS
36. WAYNE COURREGES

**OUT OF STATE VOLUNTEERS:**

EMMETT HARALSON – PENNSYLVANIA

ERNIE COGGINS -- VIRGINIA

RICK HOLLIS – TENNESSEE



**Allen Greene**

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**From:** larry blackburn [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 04, 2018 5:42 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS AT 2018 NSSAR CONGRESS HOUSTON, TEXAS  
**Attachments:** NSSAR 2018 Registration and Credentials Teams.docx

Allen Greene, Ron Brown, Bob Cohen, Bill Marrs, etal

Please find attached the schedule and names of the volunteers working the Registration and Credentials desks at the SAR Congress in Houston Thursday 7/12/2018 thru Wednesday 7/18/2018.

Allen Greene and Ron Brown are Chair and Co-Chair of the Registration desk. Bob Cohen and Bill Marrs are Chair and Co-Chair of the Credentials desk.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the busiest days for checking-in, are set up in Chapter groups. Other days are set up with individuals.

Chuck Wagner (Carrington), Ken Graalum (Independence), Allen Greene (Rankin), Ron Brown (Hodge), Mel Oller (Freedom) and Jim Pinkerton (PineyWoods) are the leaders of their respective chapters.

Need Chairs and Co-Chairs to contact the Chapter leaders, and Chapter leaders to contact their chapter members to make sure everyone is aware of the schedule. We have talked about and planned around this for two years. Chapters will divide into two groups, one for Registration and one for Credentials. There will be a short training discussion so volunteers understand what to do.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will not be as busy so we need fewer people. Chairs and Co-Chairs will make assignments to the volunteers on those days.

Thanks for being a volunteer!

Larry Blackburn  
[REDACTED]



**Registration and Credentials, 2018 SAR National Congress, Houston**

Registration: Allen Greene and Ron Brown, Chair and Co-Chair

Credentials: Bob Cohen and Bill Marrs, Chair and Co-Chair

**Thursday afternoon, 7/12/2018, 12Noon – 4PM – Stuff Bags**

**Volunteers:** Allen Greene, Ron Brown, Larry Casey, Frank Rohrbough,

Bill Sekel, Allan Perkins, David Temple, Carl Hill, Jim Wilson, et al

**Friday morning, 7/13/2018, 8AM – 12Noon - Set up and stuff bags**

**Carrington (Chuck Wagner) and Independence (Ken Graalum) Chapters:**

Chuck Wagner, Sam Massey, Mark Worthen, Jim Wilson, Jim Riley

Richard Zdunkewicz, Robert Wiener, Stephen Rogers, Boyd Breyer, Jim Jones, Dan Leedy, George Nelson, Ken Graalum.

**Friday afternoon, 7/13/2018, 12Noon – 4PM – Open for business**

**Robert Rankin (Allen Greene) and Alexander Hodge (Ron Brown) Chapters:**

Allen Greene, Allan Perkins, Murray Greene, John Worm, Henry Smith,

Ginny Evans, Theron McLaren, Jerry Clanton, Bernice Mistrot, Carl Hill,

Ron Brown, Lovell Aldrich.

**Saturday, 7/14/2018, 8AM – 4PM – Open for business**

**Freedom Chapter (Mel Oller)**

Mel Oller, Jim Kuykendall, John K Thompson, John Meredith,

Scott Hebert, Marshall Brown, Dave Morton, Robert Brady (SA).



**Sunday, 7/15/2018, 8AM – 4PM – Open for Business**

**PineyWoods Chapter (Jim Pinkerton)**

Jim Pinkerton, Kermit Breed, Kim Morton, Joe Potter, B Ray Mize,  
Cannon Pritchard, Buddy Inman, John Beard, Alex & Marti Thorne.

**Monday, 7/16/2018, 8AM – 4PM, Open for Business**

**Volunteers:** Roy Leonard, Robert Hites, Kenneth Tooke, Bill Whatley

**Tuesday, 7/17/2018, 8AM – 4PM, Open for Business**

**Volunteers:** Fred & Christine Stigale, Billy Mayo, Ben Bonnett  
Al Gibson

**Wednesday, 7/18/2018, 8AM – 4PM, Open for Business**

**Volunteers:** John Anderson, Michael Bierman, Carl Wiggins, John Weir

**CLOSE OUT REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS**





# 128<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONGRESS

## REGISTRATION

July 12th, Thursday. Before the volunteer reception, volunteers are stuffing bags while the welcome desk was set up and manned by Stu Hoyt, Texas Color Guard Commander and members of the Texas Color Guard.



The welcome sign was designed by Larry Stevens and Barbara Stevens. Registration and check-in was supervised by Allen Greene, Ron Brown, and William Seidel. All three of these Compatriots are area VPs in the Texas SAR.





# 128<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONGRESS

## REGISTRATION



Debbie Smally from National is giving instructions on registration and credentials. The latter is handled by Robert Cohen and Bill Marrs, both former Texas SAR Presidents.



Every bag received a package of bluebonnet seeds and the story of the bluebonnet. Weather permitting, hopefully bluebonnets will sprout not only around Texas but across the United States!





# 128<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONGRESS

## REGISTRATION



SAR Congress  
Houston, Texas  
2018



### Legend of the Bluebonnet

The Texas fields are covered  
With a blanket of deep blue.  
But for one Native American girl,  
This would not be true.

Texas land was buried and dry.  
Rains just would not come.  
The local tribe danced and prayed for rain,  
And beat upon their drums.

The Chief made a proclamation.  
He appealed to one and all.  
A prized possession must be sacrificed  
Before the rains would fall.

The camp fell silent,  
While each person searched his heart.  
But when it came to sacrifice,  
With possessions they would not part.

Suddenly a little girl stepped forth,  
Holding her blue-clad doll.  
She placed it in the roaring fire  
and raindrops then began to fall.

The rain brought forth the grass,  
Among its blades, flowers of blue.  
To be a sign for all the time  
Of a love so pure and true.





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## REGISTRATION







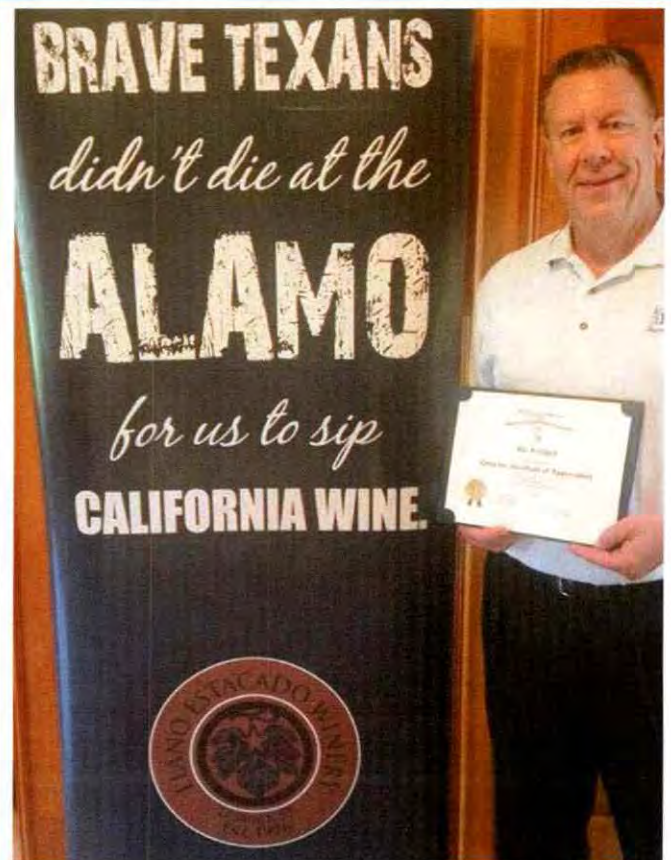
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July 13th, Friday, preparations are beginning for the host reception Saturday night which follows tours for our guests. They have a choice of going to the NASA Space Center or going to the Bush 41 Museum.

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Llano donated cases of red and white wine which served as our seed capital as it were and permitted us to approach others for donations. As a result we could serve our guest choices of beverages from water to tea to Texas beers and Texas wines. A great way to showcase our wonderful state! John L. Dodd and Ron Barker I hope the signage wasn't too cheeky! We will see you in California next year in July.



This photo is one of our key sponsors, Llano Estacado Vineyards out of Lubbock Texas. Holding the certificate is Bill Freidhof, VP of marketing and sales for the Winery.



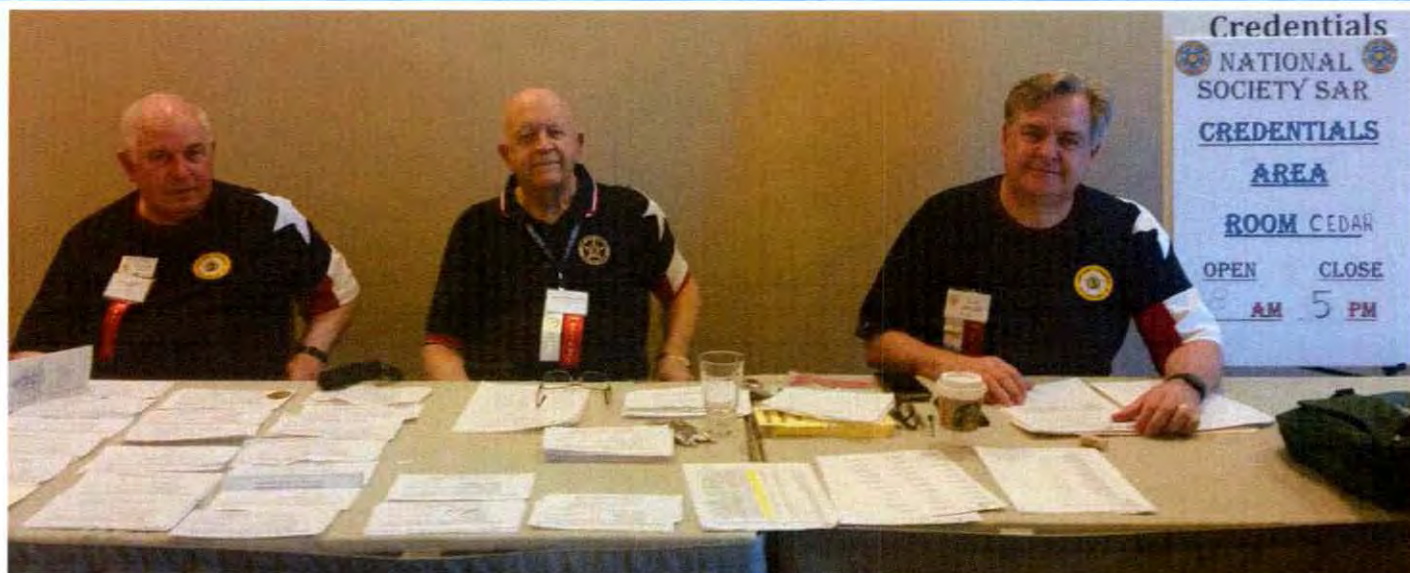
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Saturday July 14th. Holding position and waiting for the tours to come back before the Saturday night event.



At left, Tom Green (L) and Blair Rudy (R) are at the welcome desk along with the book author (seated).



Sam P Massey Jr. , Ernie Coggins, and Bill Mars are at the credentials table. Your credentials have to be examined in order for you to be a voting delegate. Votes on bylaws are coming up as well as any elections that might be contested.



# **DELEGATE VOTING CARD**

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**SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

**128TH NATIONAL CONGRESS**

**HOUSTON TX**

**15 JULY – 18 JULY 2018**

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**WELCOME  
MEMBERS AND GUESTS  
OF  
THE ORDER of the FOUNDERS OF  
NORTH AMERICA  
1492 - 1692**

**Our meeting will be held in Room 1803,  
18th Floor, Westin Memorial Hotel  
Houston, Texas**

**5:00 – 6:00 PM Sunday, July 15, 2018**





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### SOUTH CENTRAL CAR

July 13th, Friday evening. I bring greetings to the South Central District Conference of the Children of the American Revolution.







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## SOUTH CENTRAL CAR

**National Society Children of the American Revolution**  
**47<sup>th</sup> South Central Regional Meeting**  
**July 13 – 14, 2018**  
Hilton Houston Westchase  
9999 Westheimer Rd, Houston, Texas

### Friday, July 13, 2018

Registration	Omni Foyer	4:00 pm – 6:15 pm
Pages and Aides / Color Bearers Report	Omni Foyer	6:00 pm
Procession Forms	Omni Foyer	6:15 pm
Opening Session	Omni Ballroom A-C	6:30 pm
Member / Senior Quesadilla Buffet	Westchase Ballroom A-C	9:30 pm
Member Game Night	Omni Foyer	10:00-11:30 pm
Hospitality Suite	Chancellor	9:00 pm – 12:00 am
Curfew		12:00 am

### Saturday, July 14, 2018

Hospitality Suite	Chancellor	7:00 am – 9:00 am
Registration	Omni Foyer	8:00 am – 9:00 am
Procession Forms	Omni Foyer	8:45 am
Business Session	Omni Ballroom A-C	9:00 am
Senior Forum	Omni Ballroom D	10:00 am
Box Lunch	Omni Ballroom A-C	11:30 am
Tour Busses Depart	Omni Foyer	12:30 pm
Tour	Museum of Natural Science	1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Hospitality Suite	Chancellor	4:30 pm – 6:00 pm
Pages and Aides / Color Bearers Report	Omni Foyer	6:30 pm
Banquet Procession Forms	Omni Foyer	6:45 pm
Banquet	Omni Ballroom A-D	7:00 pm
Member Dance	Omni Ballroom A-D	9:30 pm – 12:00 am
Senior Reception	Westchase Ballroom A-C	10:00 pm – 1:00 am
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In the photo is President Tom Jackson and Ms. Wallner, granddaughter of Texas Compatriot and Rankin chapter member Richard Shanks. Richard was truly a rocket scientist and was a controller and backup controller for the Apollo program and as an eighteen-year-old lad he manned anti aircraft guns at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii during WWII.





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*Some times and places are subject to change. Your flexibility is appreciated.*





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## BUSH 41 TOUR

July 14th, Saturday morning. Buses arrive at 8, loaded with about 100 guests, water delivered by Larry Blackburn and they leave for a tour of the Bush 41 Museum. Lunch is cooked utilizing a working chuck wagon by an award winning team. Over 20 people stopped to tell me afterwards how much they enjoyed the tour and the food! Wow. Trail Boss is Robert Cohen.

More Value added.

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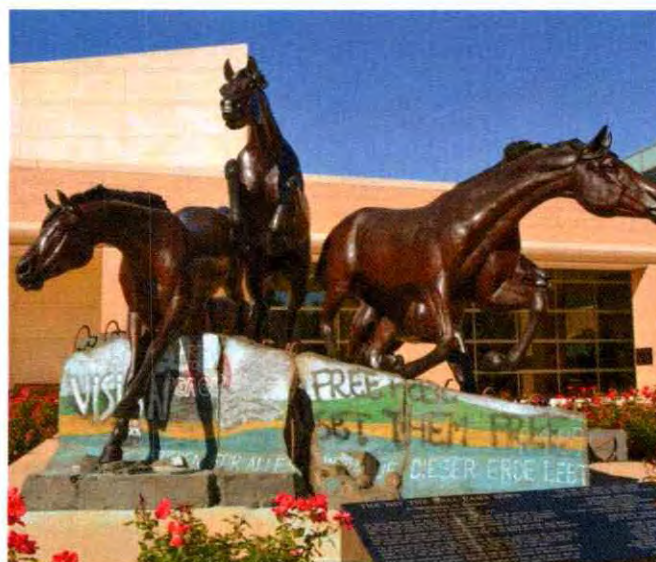




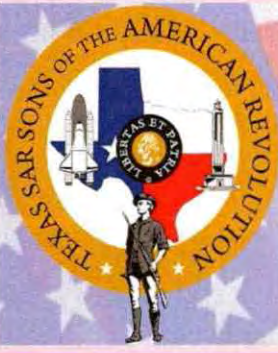


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## NASA TOUR



Ms. Palmer (standing with the microphone) was a 2013 recipient of the prestigious NASA Exceptional Achievement Medal which is awarded to any Government employee for a significant, specific achievement or substantial improvement in operations, efficiency, service, financial savings, science, or technology which contributes to the mission of NASA. She was a 2005 co-author of "Evaluation of the Space Shuttle Cockpit Avionics Upgrade Displays."



Mark A. Denman, Mayor of Nassau Bay (standing) is one of the featured speakers.





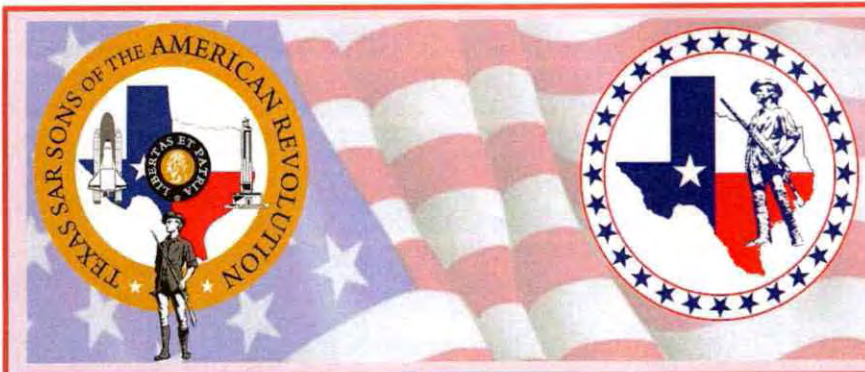
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Saturday July 14th, Trail Boss John Hamlin leads over 100 guests for a tour of NASA Space Center Houston. Added value, he has Mark A. Denman, Mayor of Nassau Bay, bring greetings and Victoria Palmer, a 30 year NASA employee charged with the training of astronauts. Both speakers were exceptional and received a Silver Good Citizenship Medal for their service to Texas.







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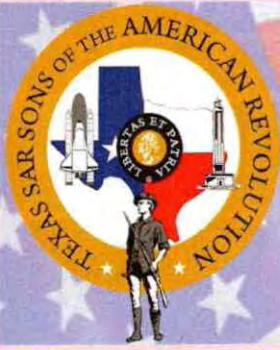
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Saturday, July 14th. George Ranch Historical Park. This is a 62,000-acre indoor facility which is breeze cooled and sports a 20' x 30' Lone Star Texas flag. Of course, it flies over a group of Texas longhorns led by Big Tex.



The fellow with the white cowboy hat and the microphone is Judge Nathan White; he and his wife, Wanda, were in charge of this event





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## HOST RECEPTION



Adding value is Doc Johnson, a retired professor of art from North Texas State University and a gallery artist in his own right, who sings "All the Pretty Girls" and he does a lifelike sketch (not a caricature). Behind Doc Johnson were the Cowboy Crew who man a working chuck wagon and brands are in the fire waiting for you to pick one up and brand a piece of wood in the shape of Texas.





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## HOST RECEPTION



Catering was by Spring Creek BBQ who served over 430 plates and offered your choice of brisket, sausage, or turkey with all of the fixin's and of course peach cobbler as a nod of respect for our President General Larry Guzy who is from the great state of Georgia!








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## HOST RECEPTION

Saturday, July 14th George Ranch Historical Park. As value added we provided our guests with a green screen photo booth. There are four different Texas backdrops which were offered. Which backdrop do you like the best? Michael E Bierman snags a photo with me as we are wrapping up.



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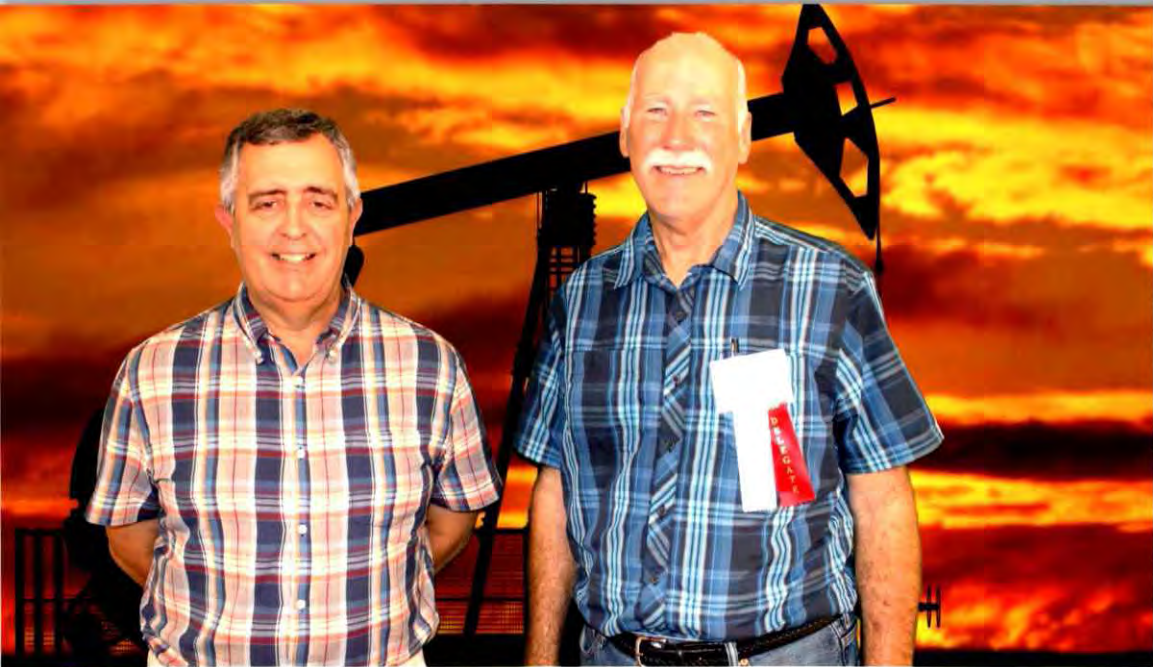






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## HOST RECEPTION



At the microphone is Judge Nathan White and he has just announced the raffle winner of a bonafide Texas ranch which has been stripped of all minerals. The winner of the raffle is Secretary General Warren Alter and his lady Nancy. This is a five-acre ranch that comes complete with Texas soil, no crops, the possibility of a visiting rattlesnake, and no livestock to fence in. The money raised will go into the Patriot Fund to fund scholarships.



### OWN A PIECE OF TEXAS

At the 2006 Dallas Congress we "raffled off" a 5 acre parcel of property in Hudspeth County, in west Texas, which had been donated to the NSSAR. It was won by Jim Heath, a former president of the Texas Society, who lived in Llano, and was ironically, the person living closest to the land. Jim has died and his widow, Maxine, former first lady of the TXSSAR, has donated the land to the Texas Society for the Patriots' Fund.

**THEREFORE, we are conducting RAFFLE 2018.**

There are a total of only 100 tickets which are being sold for \$20 each.

The "RANCH" is located in Hudspeth County, just east of El Paso. There are no mineral rights, and the taxes are currently less than \$13 per year.

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In the group photo from left to right are: Houston Judge Tom Lawrence, San Antonio Judge Ed Butler, Collin County Judge Nathan White, Ms. Ridgway, Judge Ridgway, President General Larry Guzy, and President Tom Jackson. The three Texas Judges are all former national presidents of our society.

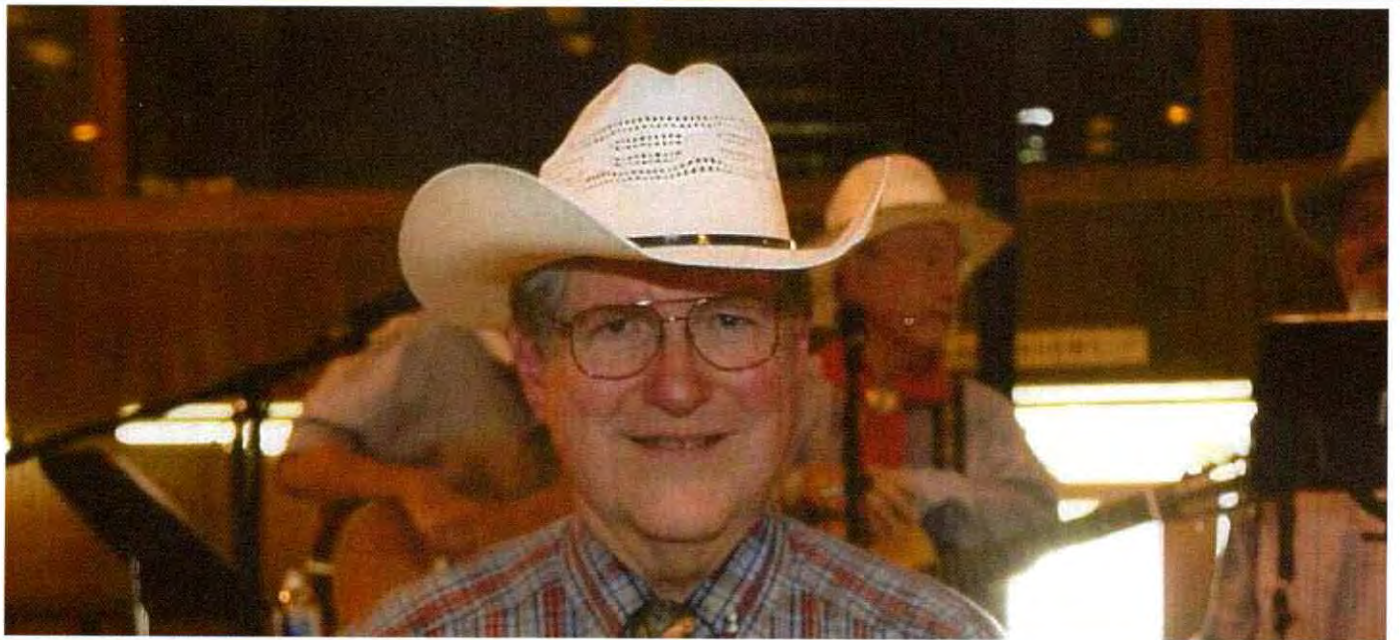




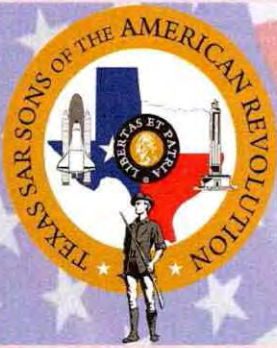
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This evening we inducted Houston Judge Ridgway (pictured below and in the bottom photo to the left of President Tom Jackson) into our organization.







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The General Society of the War of 1812 made a donation to cover the costs of the Singing Cowboy Trio. President General Rick Hollis hails from the great state of Tennessee while his predecessor LtC Larry Casey is from Texas. As a thank you, the band played "T is for Texas, T is for Tennessee." Thank you Rick and Larry and the General Society. The name of the trio is Pat Gavin & The Buckaroo Band.







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Former PG Judge Nathan White and Former First Lady Wanda White are in charge of this event. 430 travel by nine buses and private cars to attend. Texas barbecue, Texas water, Texas tea, Texas Llano wine, Texas/Czech Shiner Boch and Texas St. Arnolds beer is served with Texas Western music alongside Texas hospitality and companionship from around the nation and across the water from Hawaii and across the ocean on the other side from France.

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Mel Oller and the Freedom Chapter hit a home run with helping to secure donations!

The Shiner Bock was donated by Kent Robinson, he is territory manager for The Gambrinus Company - Shiner Beers.







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## HOST RECEPTION



John Sinks our Genealogist General with President Tom Jackson



Sitting next to each other are Warren Alter and Jack Manning. Warren would be elected President General later this week and Jack Manning has just announced his candidacy for President General for next year.







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## HOST RECEPTION TABLE DECOR





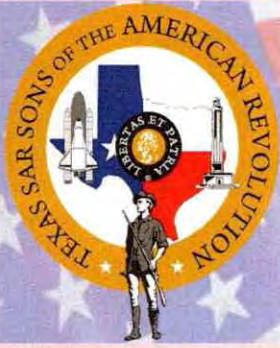


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### COLOR GUARD BREAKFAST AND PASS IN REVIEW

Sunday morning, July 15th. The color guard breakfast is from 7 to 9 in the morning. Later, before the memorial service we have our version of a pass in review. This is the only breakfast during the Congress where I actually get to eat! I should not complain however, Texas Color Guard Commander Stu Hoyt and his merry band must have these flag setup before the breakfast starts. It is a Honor to carry the Texas flag at National. Former Texas State President Dr. Robert Cohen has never had that honor and so this year, when Texas is the host he does! This is General TL Holden's, Michael E Bierman's, and Frank Seidule's first National Congress as well. Robert Rankin President Allen Greene is with Robert Cohen and Captain Frank Seidule is with Marine Big John Thompson. In the group photo, standing from left to right, General TL Terry L Holden, Tom Jackson, Bill Watts, seated, from left to right, Blair Rudy, Stu Hoyt, Tom Green, and Drake Peddie.





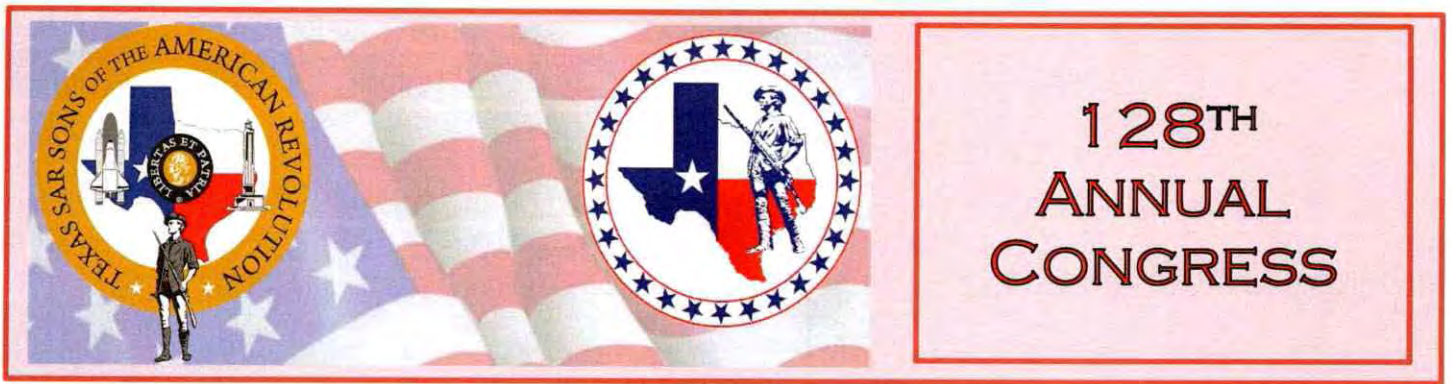


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## MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sunday, July 15th. Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church. Every year at National Congress we hold a memorial service to remember compatriots who have passed during the past year. The number is always five to six hundred and it is always a solemn occasion as I will personally know several of those who are no longer with us in body. The service is organized by the Chaplain's committee and the national Chaplain is always an ordained minister. This year it is Rev. John Wakefield. At the podium is a picture of Rev. James Taylor of San Antonio. The Church is a beautiful edifice.







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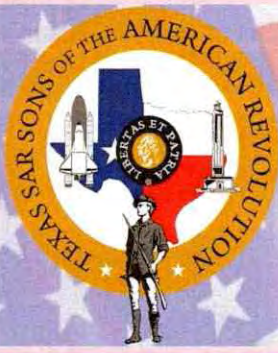
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An estimated 500 attended the memorial service and almost all were transported from the hotel using buses. Texas Color Guard Commander Stu Hoyt, among others, helped with the people flow that is required in a situation like this.



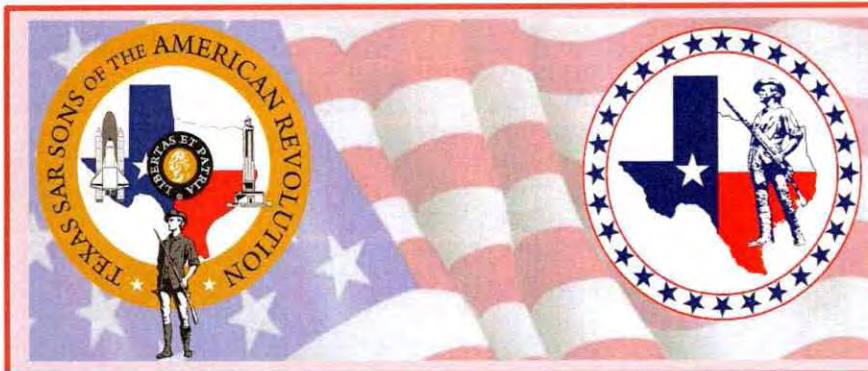


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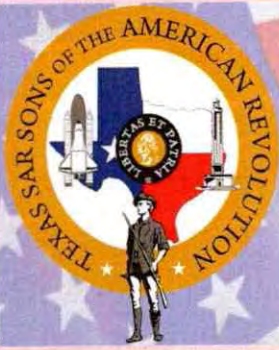


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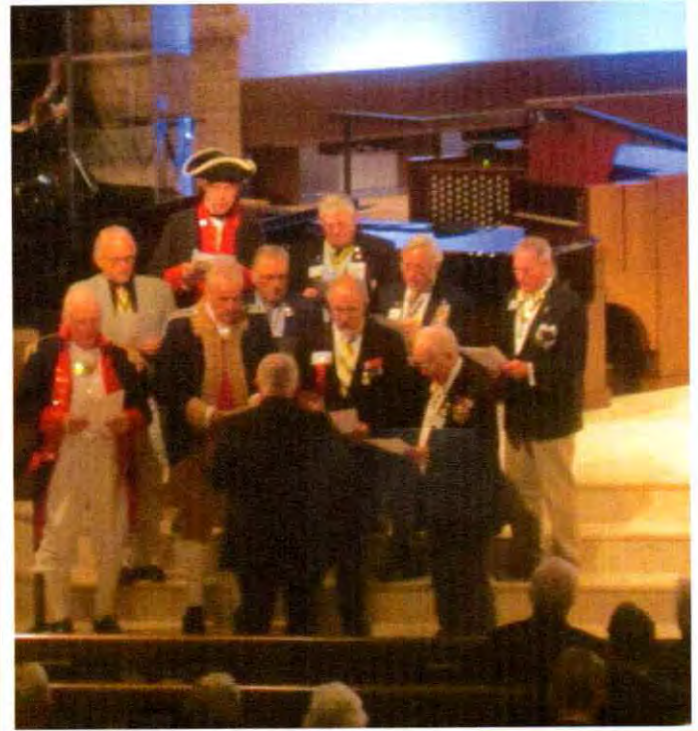






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## BROADSIDES

July 16th, Monday morning early. I made my morning stroll and noticed the handiwork of Former President General Judge Ed Butler of Texas. One of the value add goals of this Congress was to resurrect Broad­sides for guests to enjoy. Broad­sides were often used before, during, and after the American Revolution. It would be a one-page sheet with either news of the day, satire, political cartoons, and fiery exhortations. There's really only three problems with getting Broad­sides published for Congress. Somebody has to write the material, somebody has to do a column layout on 11 x 17 paper, and then somebody has to pay for it!! Noted book author Judge Ed Butler took it upon himself to do all three of these. He wrote every word, inserted maps, and sold advertising space to pay for the issues. I'm always amazed at the talent and resourcefulness of the members of this organization! I suspect that Robin Butler has an assist in here somewhere!

## Butler Awarded Medal of Honor

President General (2009-2010) Judge Edward F. Butler Sr. of San Antonio was awarded the DAR's highest honor, the DAR Medal of Honor, in March.

Presented by Ann Dennis, regent of the Texas Society DAR, Judge Butler was recognized for his work as President General of the NSSAR and for his work writing history books and making presentations all over the nation about Spain's assistance during the American Revolutionary War.

In 2010, he was awarded the SAR's Gold Good Citizenship Medal, the SAR's highest medal. In 2016, he was recognized as a member of the Texas Genealogical College's Hall of Fame.

Judge Butler currently serves as co-chairman of the Spanish Presence in America's Roots (SPAR) and chairman of its television documentary committee, which plans to air a two-hour documentary about Spanish aid during the American Revolutionary War. This documentary will be based on Butler's multiple-award-winning book, *Galvez/Spain—Our Forgotten Ally in the American Revolutionary War: A Concise Summary of Spain's Assistance*, Southwest Historic Press (2015), San Antonio. For more information, see [www.southwesthistoricpress.com](http://www.southwesthistoricpress.com).







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### SPAIN ASSISTS UNITED STATES IN REVOLUTION- ARY WAR

#### Part 1

The following was overheard at a platoon roll call during the American Revolutionary War:

"Corporal Rios?"

To better understand these developments, a look into the history and geography of New

ficer in what is now Texas, knew there were large herds of Texas long horn cattle in the San Anto-

These herds of cattle, bulls, and horses were driven from San Antonio, Texas, area to Louisiana by Spanish soldiers, militiamen, Indians, and vaqueros from, San Antonio de Bexar (a fort no longer standing, in what is now Karnes County). Some of these

were then called, responded to the call for donations issued by Charles III, providing thousands of silver dollars in aid to the war effort.

### THE PRESIDIO, MISSIONS, PUEBLAS AND RANCHEROS OF SOUTH TEXAS:



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#### -----Part 2-----

Spain followed a very rigid order of settlement in New Spain. In each settlement there were four pillars: the presidio, the missions, the pueblos, and the rancheros. San Antonio de Bexar became the provincial capitol in 1773. At that time it contained five active missions, a villa and a presidio.

the ranchers; while between 4-7 were assigned guard duty for the mail and payroll.

#### Missions:

2. The missions, each of which included a small settlement of Indians and those who worked the rancheros owned and operated by the mission. San Antonio had five missions, all of which were built along the banks of the San Antonio River. They are listed in the order of their importance:

for its stone rose window. There was a wheat mill on the mission grounds. It is the only mission that has been fully restored, and is still operated as a Franciscan parish church.

d) Mission San Juan. It also was founded in East Texas. This 1716 church was also moved to San Antonio in 1731. It is known for its distinctive bell towers and a laminated, carved altar. Patagulla, was a ranch owned by the Indians

All men, including Indians, over 16 years of age, were part of the militia. They provided their own horses, saddles, weapons and ammunition. They were called up as the need arose, primarily to fend off attacks by raiding Indians. The main town was San Antonio. Other place names in the area were:

Las Islitas, a settlement of Canary Islanders who lived near "Sheep Crossing", on the present road to



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#### -----Part 3-----

Continental Congress Committee on Secret Correspondence:

In 1775 the Continental Congress realized that every discussion of its members was being relayed to King George.

Based upon a recommendation from Benjamin Franklin in late 1775, a "Committee on Secret Correspondence" was created to drastically limit the number of eyes viewing important negotiations between the colonists, France, Spain, and others.

On November 29, 1775, Congress established a Committee of Secret

origin from other Congressional members. Through negotiations between Franklin and Prince Gabriel Antonio de Borbon of Spain, muskets, ammunition and salt were made available through Spanish islands in the Caribbean.

By letter dated 9 November 1775, Baron Grantham, British Ambassador to Spain, wrote to Lord Rochford about arms being shipped from Spain to the colonies. He advised that he had an agreement from Ambassador Grimsditch that no warlike goods would be shipped from Spain to the Colonies on English ships. He also noted that unless the situation between Spain and

from Mr. Smith were to obtain wine, proceed to the island of Salinas for salt, and then continue to another Spanish location to pick up gunpowder and muskets.

In February 1776, a letter likely written by John Adams indicated "Measures to Be Pursued in Congress," by foreign aid from France, Spain, Holland, and Denmark. These measures included the Alliance of France and Spain, and the representatives to be sent to each Court; obtaining loans to pay for the upcoming conflict; the commodities needed such as weapons, ammunition, lead and salt, etc.; the treaties of commerce desired; discus-

port from which this contraband was shipped. The agent used by both was the famous family business of Joseph Gardoqui and Sons, utilizing the fictitious Hortalez merchant companies in covert aid to American Colonials. Use of the French Company created a false impression that all of the aid sent through it was coming from France. In truth and fact, Spain was forwarding at least 50%.

### Spanish Ports Open To American Ships

In addition, all Spanish ports were open to American ships and for commerce. Supplies, arms, ammunition,

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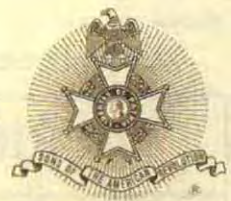
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### SPAIN ASSISTED THE UNITED STATES

### DURING THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

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tion, and clothing for the continental defense. It should be noted that this shipment was paid for with funds donated by France and Spain.

Before June 1776, "supplies had been going on . . . through the ports of Spain, France and

as allies of the English colonies against their mother country. Even before this date, however, supplies had been going out on a haphazard basis through the ports of Spain, France, and Holland, as ship captains from America picked up arms and ammunition in per-

cannon - 30,000  
muskets - 30,000  
bayonets 51,314  
musket balls -  
300,000 pounds of  
powder - 12,868  
grenades - 30,000  
uniforms - and  
4,000 field tents  
during the war.

Typical Mississippi River Boat in late 1700's. At places

pounds of gunpowder. A subsequent letter of thanks from Franklin to the Count of Aranda for 12,000 muskets sent to Boston from Spain was found.

On 10 February 1777, the Massachusetts Board of War shipped to Joseph Gardoqui &

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# INDEPENDENCE BROADSIDE

NEWSPAPER OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION IN CONVENTION AT HOUSTON, TX

Editors: Judge Ed Butler, PG 2009-2010 & Harmon Adair - TXSSAR Historian  
July 17th, 2018



### DON BERNARDO DE GÁLVEZ Y MADRID

Bernardo de Gálvez was from a very prominent family in Spain.



(Cajuns), who had recently been involuntarily uprooted from their homes in Acadia, Canada and moved to Louisiana by the English. To that mix, he added native Americans and free men of color. Soon after the arrival of Bernardo de Gálvez in New Orleans in late 1776, a steady flow of Spanish army reinforcements began arriving from Spain. Carlos' plan was to reinforce Cuba, Puerto Rico and other bases in the "American Sea"

powder to the colonists. By year's end he had shipped \$70,000 worth of gunpowder. In that directive, he was also instructed to send secret commissioners to the English colonies. These commissioners were to collect information.

A Royal Order dated December 24, 1776, instructed all Spanish officials, including the Governors of Havana and Louisiana, "to quickly supply the 'Americanos' with

count of Gálveztown.

He was also made Governor and Captain-General of Louisiana, with a salary of 10,000 pesos per year for the duration of the war.

Further, he was authorized by the king to place a crest on his coat of arms with the words "Yo Solo", meaning that he alone was responsible for the victory at Pensacola. To England, the loss of Pensacola meant loss of

current Louisiana). He started with a force of 667 men, which included 170 veteran Spanish soldiers; 330 Spanish recruits newly arrived from México and the Canary Islands, and an assortment of Cubans, Dominicans, Puerto Ricans, militiamen, free Blacks and Mulattoes, and 7 American volunteers, including Oliver Pollock. Part of the force traveled in a flotilla of four

Gulf Coast Campaign  
National Society Sons of the American Revolution





# 128<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONGRESS

## PROCLAMATIONS

Monday morning, Jul16th. The Council of States President Breakfast is at 7:30. The day has finally arrived. National Congress opens with the First General Session. At 8:50 I am given the high sign and I issue the call for the seating of the head table. As President of the host society I formally open the 128th Annual Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution and I turn the gavel and the microphone over to President General Larry Guzy. Next is the Invocation, Presentation of Colors, Pledges, National Anthem, and the Report of the Credentials Committee by Robert Cohen of Texas. Representing the host society I make my welcoming comments, read the Proclamation from Governor Abbott of Texas, and the Letter of Welcome from Mayor Sylvester Turner. I then formally present other proclamations and letters of welcome from cities and mayors from around the state.

### 128th ANNUAL CONGRESS

## The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution



THE WESTIN MEMORIAL CITY  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
SATURDAY, JULY 14th  
THROUGH  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 18th  
2018

COUNCIL OF STATE PRESIDENTS BREAKFAST	7:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. Magnolia I & II
CONGRESS LOUNGE	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Magnolia III & IV
EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Pine
ASSEMBLY FOR COLOR GUARD	8:30 a.m. Azalea Grand Foyer
ASSEMBLY FOR HEAD TABLE (Trustees, General Officers, Guests, and Presidents General may take seats in reserved rows)	8:30 a.m. Mesquite
CALL FOR SEATING OF HEAD TABLE By Texas Society President, Thomas I. Jackson	8:50 a.m. Wisteria
HOSPITALITY	8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Hibiscus I & II
OPENING SESSION OF 128th CONGRESS	9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Wisteria
CALL TO ORDER	Larry T. Guzy President General
INVOCATION	The Rev. Dr. John C. Wakefield Chaplain General
PRESENTATION OF COLORS	SAR Combined Color Guards
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Warren M. Alter Secretary General
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM	Lawrence E. McKinley
PLEDGE OF THE SAR	John T. Manning Treasurer General
PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE	Robert S. Cohen Chairman
WELCOME AND GREETINGS ADDRESSES	
ADOPTION OF RULES OF THE 128th CONGRESS	
PRESENTATION AND RECOGNITION OF GIFTS	
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## PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamations and welcome letters were received from the following locales:

Proclamations: State of Texas, Fort Bend County, Montgomery County, Waller County

Cities: Athens, Boerne, Galveston, Huntsville, Katy, La Porte, Lubbock, New Braunfels, Plano: Whereas the establishment of the Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution (Texas SAR) was announced on December 9, 1896 in the Galveston Daily News and the first annual meeting was held on February 22, 1897

Letters of Welcome: Mayor Sylvester Turner of Houston, County Judge Ed Emmett of Harris County, Athens Mayor Monte Montgomery, Temple Mayor Tim Davis, Denison Mayor Janet Gott, Georgetown Mayor Dale Ross, Hedwig Village Mayor Brian T. Muecke, Huntsville Mayor Andy Brauning, Katy Mayor Chuck Brawner, Huntsville Mayor Louis Rigby, La Porte Mayor, Lubbock Mayor Daniel Pope, Midland Mayor Jerry Morales, Oak Ridge North Mayor and Compatriot Jim Kuykendall, Temple Mayor Tim Davis, Montgomery County Judge Craig Doyal, Waller County Judge Trey Duhon III







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## PROCLAMATIONS

Local greetings are always an interesting process. Kudos to James Clements who secured the Governor's Proclamation, Judge Tom Lawrence to persuade Commissioner Jack Cagle to rearrange his schedule and attend, and Mayor Jim Kuykendall for contacting City Mayors and County Judges for their well wishes. The French Delegation was secured by Tom Green with an assist from John Thompson. Years of building relationships matter! Other groups brought greetings as well, but these were the photos I had! These photos were taken by professional photographer Penny Rogo. Check out her web site.



Bringing greetings on behalf of Harris County is the Honorable Judge Jack Cagle.







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## PROCLAMATIONS



A special treat is the Consul General Alexis Andres of France who brings greetings from his country to ours. The picture shows him receiving a SGCM and the Assistant Consul General Marie-Laure Reed of France receiving a BGCM.



President Tom Jackson (L) with In the picture with the two ladies is Ms. Lorna Rankin Senior Society President of the Children of the American Revolution and Ms. Victoria Smith who is the Texas Vice President of the CAR, and PG Guzy (R).





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## GOLD GOOD CITIZENSHIP MEDAL

Monday afternoon at the start of the second General Session. More value added. You will notice that Mattress Mack or Jim Mcingvale is at the podium. He has been awarded the Gold Good Citizenship Medal. In the photo from left to right is John Beard, Warren Alter, Mattress Mack, and PG Larry Guzy.

Mack received a standing ovation from the assembled national delegates.

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I had the privilege of introducing Jim "Mattress Mack" McIngvale and explaining why he received this award. I went extemp and as best as I can recall this is what I said. Mack is a beloved Houstonian who has been recognized by four presidents for his good works. Most recently he was singled out by President Trump for his efforts during Harvey. If you hear his story of Harvey it will rip your heart out. He has also earned national renown for his partnership on the first mobile stroke unit in America and the artificial heart. When he tells you why he is a champion of heart research it will bring a tear to your eye. Less well known is the fact that he furnished over 80 USO facilities throughout the United States and around the world.

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Mack was nominated by Larry Stevens, he was personally invited and escorted by John Beard, and the 40 hours of research, supporting documentation, was a collaboration between my secretary Andrea G, friend Kristina, and myself.







## YOUTH LUNCHEON

July 16th, Monday. Youth luncheon, National Sons of the American Revolution. At the Youth luncheon we recognize the national winners of various contests. I host a table for local area members and Seniors of the Children of the American Revolution. I also host a table for local JROTC instructors.



One of my guests was Ms. Joan Livsely, American History teacher from Pin Oak Middle School in HISD. She was the Texas American History winner a handful of years back and for a decade has invited us and members of the DAR for an all day in-class field trip. The students are graded on our presentations and if the students do not score high enough, we are not invited back as presenters! I also host Ms. Cindy Rucker who is the Texas DAR liaison chair for SAR relations. Dr. Cohen Jane previously held this position.





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## YOUTH LUNCHEON

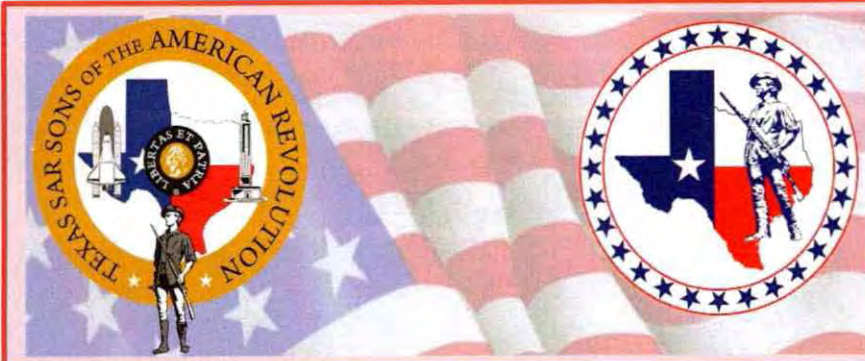


Those appearing at the CAR table are the following: Jill Jackson, Catherine Jackson, Caroline Jackson, Rebecca Boerio, Kyle Rankin, Amanda Thorin, and Stephanie Smith. Some are in the photo. At the table, but on the other side of the camera is Stephanie Smith, Senior Organizing Secretary, TXCAR.



Individuals appearing at JROTC table and in the photo are from CIFSD and are: Texas Representative John Thompson, Captain Scott Thomas, Major Wanda Ewing, Cadet Lt Col Dakota Doster-Wood, and SMSgt James Core.





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## YOUTH LUNCHEON

July 16th, Monday youth luncheon. President General Larry Guzy is at the podium. Kate McCleod from Texas is the Knight Essay Contest winner. HISD teacher Joan Livesly and I sit at the McCleod table. Kate is the daughter of Dave and Marcy McLeod of Bullard. The group photo is Kate and her family while the trio is James M Lindley, Kate, and PG Larry Guzy.







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### YOUTH LUNCHEON

Kate McLeod, a 2018 graduate of Whitehouse High School, was named The 2018 National Champion of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest. Kate was honored at the Westin Hotel in Houston, Texas on July 16 during the SAR's Annual National Congress. She read her essay "Ruses, Disinformation & Spycraft: General Washington's Covert Military Tools" to the five-hundred guests gathered in the Westin's ballroom. The SAR is America's largest male-only lineage organization with over 36,000 members. The honor was McLeod's fifth championship at the State or National Level.

Kate is the 2018 UIL Conference 5A State Champion in Journalism (Newswriting) and the 2018 Texas Society SAR High School Essay Contest Champion. Previously, Kate won the 2017 UIL Conference 5A State Championship in Journalism (Editorial Writing) and the 2017 Texas Society SAR High School Essay Contest Championship.

Kate will attend Southern Methodist University, majoring in Journalism, after being awarded the SMU Second Century Scholarship and the prestigious Belo Foundation Scholarship for Journalism.







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## AWARDS

July 16th, Monday night. Tonight is the presentation of the Minutemen awards and also the National Awards. Tradition has the Sitting President when the awards were earned will pick up the awards and John Beard did exactly that. When my chapter, Robert Rankin #62, was mentioned as the winner of the President General Cup award, he graciously permitted me to accept the award! Thanks John.







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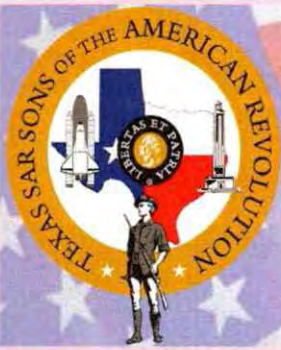
### PG GUZY BANQUET

Tuesday, July 17th. More sessions during the day but today is also the day for balloting. The Texas crew takes the giant Texas boot and post a sign that says if you aren't taller then the sign then you are not eligible to vote! LOL. That evening is the President General's black tie banquet.



PG Larry Guzy has indicated that he should receive no gifts that evening and so the Texas SAR makes a donation to the Youth Scholarship Program.





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## PG GUZY BANQUET



President Tom Jackson (L) receives the Silver Samuel Adams Congress Appreciation Medal. The Silver Samuel Adams Congress Appreciation Medal is the highest award that a host society member may receive.

The National Society this past year modified the award rules to permit three others to be awarded the Silver Samuel Adams Congress Appreciation Medal. They went to Dr. Larry Blackburn who is in charge of volunteer recruitment and assignment, Ladies Aux President Ms. Catherine Massey who is in charge of the Ladies Responsibilities and Co-chair of the Volunteer Reception, and Dr. Robert Cohen, a retired Texas Aggie professor who is in charge of the Bust 41 tour, Credentials and Co-chaired with his wife Dr. Cohen Jane the SWAG project.







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## PG GUZY BANQUET







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## PG GUZY BANQUET



As value added, James Clements has secured Senator Dr. Donna Campbell to present the proclamation from the Texas Senate honoring the SAR. After she speaks she receives a standing ovation. She left in the morning as part of a trade delegation but still managed to come to Houston for our event.







### **SAR Founders Circle**

Members of the Founders Circle have indicated an intension to make a planned gift of \$10,000 or more to the National SAR or the SAR Foundation. If you are interested in joining the Founders Circle please contact Sarah Strapp Dennison at (502) 315- 1777 or [ssdennison@sar.org](mailto:ssdennison@sar.org)

#### **SAR Pledge:**

We, descendants of the Heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of Liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

#### **SAR Recessional:**

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a Nation of Free Men.

# *Donor Recognition Breakfast*



## **128<sup>th</sup> National SAR Congress**

The Westin Memorial City, Houston, Texas  
Wednesday, July 18, 2018 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM  
Azalea IV& V



Call to Order .....PG Joseph W. Dooley  
*President, SAR Foundation, Inc.*

Invocation.....Rev. John Cameron Wakefield  
*Chaplain General, NSSAR*

Pledge of Allegiance .....SAR Compatriots and Guests

SAR Pledge.....SAR Compatriots and Guests

### Breakfast Served

Eagle Scout Committee.....Edward Paul Rigel, Sr.  
*Chair, NSSAR Eagle Scout Committee and Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout Scholarship Program*

George Washington Fellows.....William Oliver Stone  
*Chair, G. W. Endowment Fund Board*

Knight Essay Contest Committee....James Morris Lindley  
*Chair, Knight Essay Contest Committee, Chair Fundraising Committee*

ROTC/JROTC/Service Academies....LCDR David G. Jessel USN  
 (Retired) *Chair, ROTC/JROTC Service Academies Committee*

Rumbaugh Oration Committee .....John Henry Bredenfoerder  
 Co-Chair, Joseph S. Rumbaugh Oration Contest Committee

SAR 1776 Campaign.....PG Joseph W. Dooley  
*President, SAR Foundation, Inc.*

Friends of the Library.....Douglas T. Collins  
*Librarian General*

SAR Recessional.....SAR Compatriots and Guests

Benediction .....Rev. John Cameron Wakefield  
*Chaplain General, NSSAR*

## SAR 1776 Society Awards

*The SAR Foundation would like to thank the following donors who have completed their pledges to the 1776 Society or advanced to a higher recognition level as of June 30, 2018.*

### Gold Quill Recognition (\$17,760 and Above)

Ken Lee Betterton – OR

### Silver Quill Recognition (\$8,880-\$17,759)

Ltc. Lawrence K. Casey, Jr. – TX

### Bronze Quill Recognition (\$5,328-\$8,779)

Dr. Abraham R. Byrd III - AZ

### Signer Level (\$1,776 -\$5,327)

Jeffery Dean Thomas - VA  
 Oliver E. Wayne - NJ

### Drafter Level (\$1,184-1,775)

Derek J. Brown - CA

### State and Chapter Support (\$592 and up)

Philadelphia-Continental Chapter SAR  
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## About the SAR Library

The SAR National Headquarters, Genealogical Research Library, and SAR Center are located at 809 West Main Street in Louisville, Kentucky.

The need to establish a Library for the National Society was recognized by the founders of the Society, who specified provisions in the Constitution for the acquisition and preservation of Revolutionary War records, documents, and relics.

From 1889 until 1926, the Society acquired 225 books, which were kept by the Secretary General or Registrar General. On March 1, 1926, the Society established a Washington, D.C., Registrar General's office at 609 Hill Building at Seventeenth and I Streets N.W. This office contained the "permanent records of the Society membership and genealogical records and reference library." The 1927 Congress in Richmond, Virginia, approved plans to purchase the Sixteenth Street Headquarters Building. With that came the creation of the first Library Committee, and by 1933, the collection was up to 914 books. The collection continued to grow over the next few decades.

In 1978, the SAR purchased the South Fourth Street building in Louisville as its headquarters. Over the next year the second floor of the building was redesigned to accommodate a fully functional Library. It officially opened its doors to the public on January 17, 1979, and included a professional staff. In 1988, a 544 square-foot book vault was added to the floor space of the Library, and the collection had grown to approximately 25,000 items. During this time the microfiche and microfilm holdings also grew.

In October 2010, the Library began operations in its new facility on West Main Street in Louisville's historic Museum District.

Located on the north side of the mezzanine in the Library is the Mary & James S. Craik Special Collections Room which features museum quality pieces relating to the early history of the United States and the American Revolution. Dr. James Craik was George Washington's personal physician and the room features a James Craik miniature, a piece of Martha Washington's wedding gown, and silhouettes of George and Martha Washington, ca. 1797. The room may also be used for other exhibits.

The Library's growth depends upon cash gifts as well as donations of family genealogies, American Revolutionary War histories, county and state histories, and other books and items of genealogical content. Donors should check the Library catalog to ensure the item is not a duplicate or check with the Librarian. They must also complete a donor gift form available at the Library and at Leadership and Congress meetings. Each book donated is given a bookplate with the name of the donor. Members, chapters and state societies are encouraged to provide memorial funds to purchase memorial books to honor deceased members. Members are also encouraged to join or donate to the Friends of the SAR Library (FOL), the monies of which are deposited in the Library Endowment Fund and Library Special Operating Fund and used to purchase non-budgeted items.

The primary focal point of the collections is the Revolutionary War era but the collection includes other materials of a genealogical nature. To date the library collection has grown to over 55,000 items and includes family histories, local, county and state records and genealogy materials, and access to the online databases of Ancestry, Heritage Quest, Fold3, and the New England Historical and Genealogical Society. The online catalog allows you to see what is available.

The SAR Library is a non-circulating, reference facility only. The SAR Library does not sell any of the books listed in its catalog, nor does it loan them out.

The Library is open to the general public for a nominal fee of five dollars per day. Free use of the library is provided to Friends of the SAR Library (FOL); SAR members and their spouses; and members of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.), and Sons of the Revolution (SR).



## NSSAR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH LIBRARY DONOR RECOGNITION



The Friends of the SAR Library (FOL) was organized to assist the SAR Library in fulfilling its collection development objectives. These objectives include those books, manuscripts, microforms, and on-line services needed to enhance and expand the current collection.

FOL membership dues are distributed as follows:

- 60% to the Library Endowment Fund, from which only the interest income may be used by the Library, and,
- 40% to the Library Special Purpose Operating Fund.
- Income from these funds is used to purchase non-budgeted items such as equipment, supplies, new technology, in addition to books, manuscripts and microforms.
- Recognition programs of the Library for donations above \$25 include:
  - ❖ **Robert Morris Benefactor** for a one-time contribution of \$2,000 or more.
  - ❖ **Library Endowment Fund Contributor** for gifts of \$500 or more.
  - ❖ **Benjamin Franklin Subscriber** for gifts of \$300 or more from an individual, Chapter, State Society, or non-SAR organizations.
  - ❖ These monetary gifts are also invested by the Society. Benjamin Franklin Subscribers and Robert Morris Benefactor monies are deposited in the Library Special Purpose Operating Fund; Endowment Fund Contributor monies are deposited in the Library Endowment Fund.



## Contributions received since July 2017

### Library Endowment Fund

**(\$4,000 or more)**

Donald & Donna McGuire Revocable Living Trust  
for the library endowment fund

**(\$500 - \$1,000)**

Franklin J. Appl

Wilma M. Bond in memory of  
Thomas J. Bond

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for housing the First Families of Kentucky documentation

Philip Z. Horton, III

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for the library fund.

Society of Colonial Wars in the Commonwealth of Kentucky

**(\$300 - \$499)**

Alabama Society, SAR  
for the purchase of Alabama genealogical materials

Georgia Society, SAR  
for the library endowment fund

General Society of Colonial Wars  
for the purchase of colonial period materials

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Valley Forge Chapter, PASSAR in memory of  
Derick B. Van Schoonhoven





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## PG ALTER BANQUET



July 18th, Wednesday. We have the white tie banquet for installation of national officers. Warren Alter is sworn in as our new National President. I have one more bit of fun as I get to present Texas Society present to the new PG. On behalf of Texas I also present presents to PG Larry Guzy since he is no longer the sitting PG and we no longer have to follow his directive.



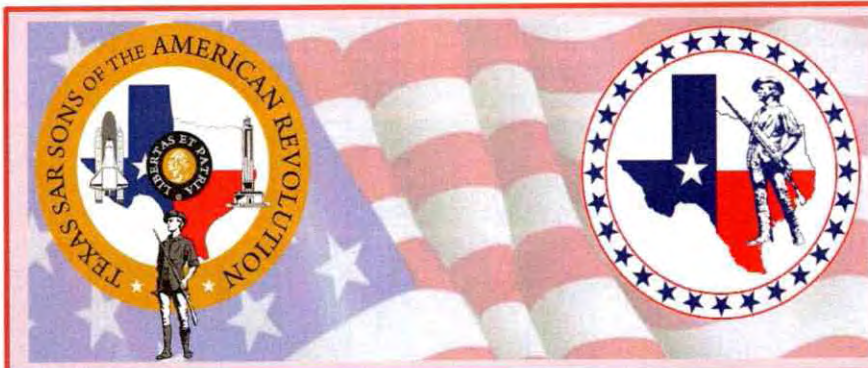


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## PG ALTER BANQUET







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