



Edition 2026 – 3/4

Robert Rankin Chapter #62

Winner of the National SAR Carl F. Bessent Award, 2024/2025, 2011/2012

The Rankin Register

March/April - 2026

Chapter Under New Management – New Officers Installed

The new 2026 – 2027 officers were installed in a ceremony led by Texas Society President Mel Oller.



2026 – 2027 Robert Rankin Officers

Front row (L-R) Vice- President Sam Cannon, President Jerry Martin, Secretary/Treasurer Steve Vetter. Back Row (L-R), Sergeant-at-Arms Ralph Reed, Register Richard Carson, Chaplin Don Andress, Historian Tom Jackson

Posting the Colors

After training by Rankin's Color Guard Commander Ralph Reed, the members of Stars and Stripes performed Posting The Colors for our April meeting. They did a magnificent job.



The Mission of the SAR

The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our country.

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CHAPTER EVENTS

Pin Oak MS Spirit Day

Pin Oak Middle School
5/5 – 8:30

Monthly Meeting
Spring Creek BBQ
May 13 – 6:30 pm

Liberty Tree Dedication

Glenwood Cemetery
5/16 – 11:00 pm

Stars and Stripes Meeting

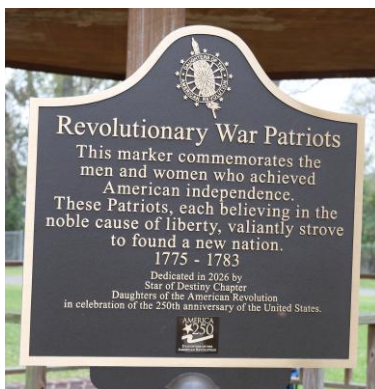
VFW Katy
5/17 2:00 pm

Monthly Meeting
Spring Creek BBQ
6/10 – 6:00 pm

Solea Flag Presentation

Solea Cinco Rance
5/13 – 1:00 pm

Revolutionary War Patriots Marker



Star of
Destiny Chapter



Daughters of the
American
Revolution

On March 7th, the Star of
Destiny Chapter of the
Daughters of the
American Revolution
dedicated a marker
honoring the 250th

Anniversary of the United States. The Katy event was well attended with nearly 100 individuals. Supporting the chapter was VFW Color Guard with members of the Robert Rankin Chapter SAR Color Guard mixed in. The speakers include city, county, and state speakers.



Awards and Certificates

Certificate of Achievement
Training and Posting Colors
Members of Stars and Stripes
C.A.R.

Ari Heywood Michah Wilson
Riley Cannon Toby Cannon
Isaiah Maxwell

**Bronze Medal of
Appreciation**

Micah Wilson, CAR

Lydia Darragh
Medal
Linda Sue Reed
Brenda Jackson

**Abigail Adams Certificate of
Recognition for Attendance**

Delma Andress 8
Judy Zachmeyer 7
Brenda Jackson 6
Olga McLaren 5
Jenni Muggli 3
Bernice Mistrot 3
Sabrina Rotter 2
Laurel Cull 2

**Service Years
Awards**

Kenneth Vaughn 31
Fred Jackson 26
Tom Jackson 21
Bruce Alfredson 15
Alex Thorne 9
David Zachmeyer 8
Bruce McMordie 8
Billy Sorrells 6
Ralph Reed 6
Don Andress 5

Henry Knox Medals

Ralph Reed
Jerry Martin
Jennifer Jackson
Steve Veters

**Recognition Medal For
New SAR Members**

Deborah Sampson Medal
Abigail Adams Medal
Lucy Knox Medal

Jenni Muggli

**Good Citizenship
Lapel Pin**

Ali Heywood,
President, Stars and
Stripes C.A.R.

**Chapter Meritorious
Service**

Bruce Alfredson
Bruce McMordie

**Chapter
Distinguished
Service**

Jerry Martin

**Bronze Gold
Citizenship Medal
for Leadership**

Ralph Reed

**Bronze C.A.R./S.A.R.
Medal**

Micah Wilson, C.A.R
Kathryn Smith, Senior
President, C.A.R.
Jerry Martin, C.A.R
Liaison



Certificates of Training and Participation Stars and Stripes C.A.R. as Color Guard.



March/April Birthdays

Colton Ruel	03/02
Patrick Burell	03/06
Ronald Hayward	03/07
William Marshall	03/21
David Zachmeyer	03/22
George Gayle	03/24
Joshua Joiner	03/31

Samuel Griffin	04/04
Ralph Reed	04/05
Michael Mitzner	04/09
Harry Woodstrom	04/11
Wyatt Clerkley	04/18
Theron McLaren	04/18
Harold Millard	04/18
Norman Strey	04/19
Jacob Joiner	04/21
Robert McMordie	04/24

THE 250TH MOMENT

**FIRST SHOTS FIRED BETWEEN
MINUTEMEN AND BRITISH
REGULARS, or "The SHOT Heard
Round the World."**



**FAMOUS SHOTS IN THE AMERICAN
REVOLUTIONARY WAR
Episode 7 – Written by Fred Jackson II**

Columbus Liberty Tree Dedication

On April 30th, members of the Columbus City Veterans Park to celebrate the dedication of a new Liberty Tree. Instead of planting a new tree, this group selected an existing tree that has been about 250 years old.

This project was created by the John Evertt Chapter DAR, Robert Rankin Chapter SAR, and the Vietnam Vets of America Chapter 1127.



**The 250th is here.
Will You Join Us
In Celebration?**

July 4, 2026 will be the 250th
birthday of our country.

It didn't start or stop on that day,
but was a decade long process:
1773 - 1783

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Memorable events 250 years ago...

- 2023 Boston Tea Party
- 2024 The First Continental Congress
- 2025 Battles of Lexington and Concord.
- 2026 Declaration of Independence
- 2027 Battle of Saratoga
- 2028 French Alliance
- 2029 Siege of Vincennes/Kettle Creek
- 2030 Battle of Kings Mountain
- 2031 Siege of Yorktown
- 2032 Battle of Blue Licks
- 2033 Treaty of Paris