

# THE SAN ANTONIO COMPATRIOT

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER #4 •TEXAS SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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#### PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Compatriots: Although we took a recess from our Chapter Meetings in July and August, we have been very busy these last two months. We participated in the Texas Heritage Event on September 16, 2023 which focused on Texas culture, heritage, and history. More than 600 students from 8 Texas Independent School Districts located in the Hill County attended the daylong event. Compatriot Peter Baron provided a timeline history of the founding of the colonies explaining the Colonial Flags, and Compatriot Frank Rohrbough assisted by explaining the personal camp gear and weapons that soldiers bring with him to serve in the Militia or Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. For more details see page 2.

We had the opportunity to recognize San Antonio Firefighters at two of our chapter Meetings. The first was at our September Meeting where we acknowledged the extraordinary service and heroism when Engine 24 responded to structure fire in San Antonio on July 22, 2023. Battalion Chief (and compatriot) B.T. McEnery spoke of the crews' dedication and service to the San Antonio community. At our October Meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup> we presented the SAR Public Services Awards to the Crew of Engine 22. More details are provided on **pages 3 and 4**.

Seven members of our chapter attended the Texas SAR Annual Board of Managers Meeting in College Station, TX at the Wyndham Garden Hotel on October 20-22, 2023. Our Chapter members included Edward Butler, Richard Weitzel, Blair Rudy, Kevin Kanter, Stephen and Frank Rohrbough, and Frank Kebelman. Our chapter received several SAR Awards which are noted on **page 5**. We were delighted to learn that Compatriot Frank Kebelman was selected for the NSSAR Patriot Medal. He was one of six Texas Society members who were announced to receive this prestigious one-time National SAR Award. The Awards will be presented at the Texas SAR 2024 Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX, April 11 to 14, 2024 where we are the Host Chapter.

Compatriot Grave Marking Ceremonies were held on October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> in memory of 10 chapter compatriots. Details are provided on **pages 6 and 7**. We are always looking for more members to assist in this recognition of our Compatriots that have passed before us. All members are welcome to attend these events. If you are interested in attending one of these events, please contact Compatriot Frank Kebelman at kebelman@gmail.com.

Please remember to pay your SAR Dues. For details **see page 9.** For Announcements and Coming Events, see **page 9.** 

Finally, as a reminder all members who are an Event and Committee Chairman, please report chapter activities that take place during the year using the Chapter Activities Report Form. Use the URL noted below, then go to the "Docs" tab and click on "Society Docs & Forms". This Form must be sent to Compatriot Blair Rudy who is responsible for preparing the Chapter's Annual Report for 2023.

Please watch for upcoming activities either through email, our chapter website (<a href="https://www.txssar.org/SanAntonio/">https://www.txssar.org/SanAntonio/</a>) or our Facebook page at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/sarsatx">https://www.facebook.com/sarsatx</a>.

Please note that the Listing of Membership Anniversaries of our Members is attached on the last page of the Newsletter.

Respectfully, Richard Weitzel

# CHAPTER PARTICIPATES IN TEXAS HERITAGE EVENT AT SCHREINER UNIVERSITY, KERRVILLE, TX

The Texas Heritage Event was held on September 16, 2023 from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. which focused on all things Texas continuing the legacy of stories and songs as "another way of learning" started by the legendary Dr. Kathleen Hudson more than 30 years ago. The Texas Center at Schreiner University carries on this tradition through showcasing Texas culture, heritage, and history. The next generation of Texas leaders will come from these hills and valleys—and this event is our gift to the region and the state as natives and newcomers alike find their place in the stories and songs of Texas.

More than 600 students from 8 Texas Independent School Districts located in the Hill County attended the day long event learning Texas and American History beginning with the founding of our Nation in 1600 - 1700s to the migration of settlers to Texas in 1800s and World Wars of the early 1900s. There were fifteen different teaching stations where students and the public participated in a "different kind of learning." There were firing demonstrations from 11:00 to noon, with vintage weapons from the American Revolution through the Texas Revolution to World War II.

Compatriot Peter Baron provided a timeline history of the founding of the colonies explaining the Colonial Flags to include King George III of England and the Kings of France and Spain as allies in the American Revolution supporting the colonies fight for freedom. He explained that such Flags were flown on ships to show their country of origin on the high seas and when they entered the port of foreign countries.

(Photo Right) Following the Battles of Lexington and Concord Compatriot Baron explained that the Kings Colors were placed in the canton of a new flag with 13 alternating red and white stripes signifying that the colonies were still British subjects. They were fighting to restore its freedoms which the colonies had for 150 years since the founding of the colonies in the early 1600s and independent rule from the British Parliament. This Flag was flown at General Washington's Headquarters during the Siege of Boston and flown on Colonial vessels until the Continental Congress approved the first official Flag on June 14, 1777 (known as the Betsy Ross Flag). Eventually, in 1812 the US Congress approved the Flag we now know as the Star Spangled Banner which flew over Fort McHenry during the British Siege of Baltimore during the War of 1812. (Photo Below) Compatriot Baron explained that the Serapis





Flag is unique because of its 8-pointed stars and

because its red, white and blue stripes are organized in a pattern not found on other American historical flags. The 13 8-pointed stars are arranged in 3 rows of 4, 5 and 4 on a blue field. The flag is also more square shaped than rectangular. This flag was flown aboard the British frigate *H.M.S. Serapis*, which was captured September 23, 1779 by John Paul Jones in the Harbor of Texel, Holland. His famous quote: "Sir, I have not yet begun to fight", Captain John Paul Jones boarded the British frigate Serapis after the most famous Revolutionary naval battle, and raised this flag known as the "Serapis Flag".

Compatriot Baron continued his presentation describing the weapons used by the Continental Army during the American Revolution. He described the 75 caliber "Brown Bess" Musket and its longstanding use in European armies for over 100 years.

He demonstrated the loading and firing of the musket and selected several teachers to fire the weapon. Compatriot Frank Rohrbough assisted by explaining the personal camp gear and weapons that soldiers bring with him to serve in the Militia or Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. This included their weapon, gun cleaning supplies, cooking utensils, camp axe, blanket, and personal clothing.

## CHAPTER PRESENTS SAR HEROISM AWARDS AT SEPTEMBER MEETING



(**Photo Left**) Compatriot Peter Baron prepared the Heroism Awards and Citation recognizing Lieutenant Brian Clark for his leadership role and the work of the crew of Engine 24 when they responded to structure fire in San Antonio on July 22, 2023.

The Citation reads:

"At approximately 3:00 AM on the morning of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July 2023 San Antonio Fire Department Engine 24 responded to a call about a structure fire at 11600 Winding Oak. Engine 24 was the first company to arrive and render assistance to multiple victims. Engine 24 immediately performed a rapid rescue operation from a ladder to the second story of the house. The Crew found victims and facilitated the rescue of three victims. The crew reentered the fire and continued to search and found and extricated a fourth victim.

Lieutenant Brian James Clark commanded Engine 24 on July 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> 2023. As a fire officer, Lieutenant Clark had trained his crew to succeed in

all they do. On Friday July 21<sup>st</sup> he assigned Engineer Roy Gutierrez to "Ride the Seat" and act as the Company Officer. Engineer Gutierrez was in charge of the actions performed by Engine 24 at the Winding Oak fire. Lieutenant Clark also assigned Private Trevor Conway to act as Engineer and drive the apparatus. The fourth man on Engine 24 was Probationary Firefighter Joshua Clayton. They were 18 hours into their shift when they volunteered for the Winding Oaks fire.

The heroic actions of the crew of Engine 24 are unprecedented. Locating, extricating, and treating fire victims is both rare and taxing. The actions of Engine 24 shows a dedication to cause that exceeds duty. They continued to persevere until their mission was complete.

It is this dedication to service and self-sacrifice that resonates from Lieutenant Brian James Clark and those he leads. His actions reflect great credit on Himself, the San Antonio Fire Department and the Citizens of

San Antonio. Recognized this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of September 2023 by the San Antonio Chapter, of the Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution".

Battalion Chief (Compatriot) B.T. McEnery was our Guest Speaker and spoke that he had serious reservations about sending the Crew of Engine 24 into the structure and the possibility of not coming out alive. (**Photo Right**) President Weitzel presented Chief McEnery our Chapter Good Citizenship Coin.

(**Photo Below L-R**) President Weitzel presented the SAR Heroism Awards to Lt. Clark, Engineer Gutierrez and Firefighter Clayton. (**Photo Below Far Right** President Weitzel also presented the SAR Life Saving Award to Private Conway.











## CHAPTER PRESENTS SAR PUBLIC SERVICE AWARDS AT OCTOBER MEETING

### SAR FIRE SAFETY COMMENDATION AWARDS



(**Photo Left**) President Weitzel presented the SAR Fire Safety Commendation Awards to Lt. Brandon Wheeler and the Crew of Engine 22 Acting Engineer Justin Mariscal, Firefighter Roger Uriegas and Firefighter Raymundo Torres.

The Citation reads:

"At approximately 3:30 AM on the morning of the 17th of August 2023 San Antonio Fire Department Engine 22 was dispatched to a structure fire at 3409 Commercial Avenue. Engine 22 arrived on scene to find 2 units fighting the fire.

Engine 22 was ordered on deck and was advised of a victim located on the back side of the structure. Engine 22 was tasked to rescue the victim and quickly located the victim. The victim was rescued from second story window under heavy smoke conditions using a ground ladder. Lieutenant Wheeler assisted the victim onto and down the ladder.

These historic actions of the crew of Engine 22 are representative of their commitment to duty and to the public they serve. It is this dedication to service and self-sacrifice that resonated from the crew of Engine 22. These actions reflect great credit on themselves, the San Antonio Fire Department and the Citizens of San Antonio.

Recognized this 18<sup>th</sup> Day of October 2023 by the San Antonio Chapter of the Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution."



Our Speaker for this meeting was Battalion Chief Russell Johnson. He spoke of the range of services the Fire Unit on the southside of San Antonio including fire fighter services for Stinson-Mission Municipal Airport. He noted that his Fire Station responds to more than 5 calls every day.

(**Photo Left**) President Weitzel presented Chief Johnson with the San Antonio Bronze Good Citizenship Coin. (**Photo Right**) President Weitzel also presented the Chapter

Bronze Good Citizenship Coin to recognize the service of SAPD Officer Cassandra Torres for her service and sacrifice to the citizens of San Antonio.



### COMPATRIOT FRANK KEBELMAN IS RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE AT SAN ANTONIO PARKS AND RECREATION

Ms. Nicole McLeod, Program Manager, City of San Antonio Parks and Recreation, provided a Letter of Recommendation to the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) for the Award of the Judah P. Benjamin Award noting Frank Kebelman's community service at San Antonio's Eastside Historic Cemeteries. Her letter reads in part: "Mr. Kebelman's passion and commitment to the cemetery stewardship is unrivaled. This is demonstrated through the countless hours spent documenting, cleaning and reporting on veterans who are buried throughout San Antonio's Eastside Historic Cemeteries." The Award was presented to Kebelman at the UDC Meeting on September 21, 2023.



### CHAPTER RECEIEVED SEVERAL SAR AWARDS AT THE FALL BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING

The Texas SAR held its Annual Board of Managers Meeting in College Station, TX at the Wyndham Garden Hotel from October 20-22, 2023. This Board of Managers (BOM) Meeting was hosted by the Independence (#40) Chapter with over 60 members plus guests in attendance. Our Chapter members included Edward Butler, Richard Weitzel, Blair Rudy, Kevin Kanter, Stephen and Frank Rohrbough, and Frank Kebelman.

Many members were recognized for their accomplishments at the National Society SAR Congress which was held in July in Orlando, Florida and from the Texas Society for community services performed during this past year. Our chapter received numerous Awards earlier at the Texas SAR Annual in Meeting which was held in The Woodlands, TX. See the March-April 2023 Chapter Newsletter on Page 3. Other Awards received at this BOM include:

- Patriot Medal Frank Kebelman was One of Six Texas Society members who were announced to receive this prestigious own-time National SAR Award which will be presented at the Texas SAR 2024 Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX, April 11 to 14, 2024.
- National Society USS Stark Award San Antonio Chapter. Compatriot Frank Kebelman's Service to Veterans with the Memorial Service Detachment at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery earned 19,000 USS Stark Points which significantly contributed to this Award.
- Wreaths Across America San Antonio Chapter was recognized for the purchase of 43 Wreaths in support of this National Program honoring our veterans who have served and are interned in our primarily National Cemeteries across the country each year during December. Wreaths purchased through the WAA Program are place at the headstones of veterans on a Saturday in Mid-December.
- Compatriots Kevin Kanter (Medal) and Dustin Whittenburg (Second OLC) received the SAR Liberty Medal or Oak Leaf Cluster for sponsoring 10 new member applications.
- San Antonio Chapter received the President Generals' Education Outreach Streamer for surpassing the number of new Colonial Era Historic or Education Programs presented annually.

# CALLING ALL MEMBERS TO CHAPTER SERVICE

(**Photo (Left)** Former Chapter President Kevin Kanter addressed the members at the October Chapter Meeting seeking their support to join the State Planning Committee for the 2024 Annual TXSSAR Meeting which our chapter will host on April 11 -14, 2024 at the DoubleTree by Hilton located in San Antonio across from the North Star Mall.

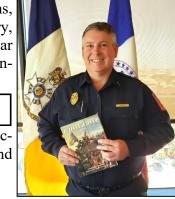
There are many sub-committees that need your help to make this coming event successful. These include pre-conference activities like

Registration, Hotel Reservations, Printing Programs, Event Planning for members and the Ladies Auxiliary,

Local Tours, Silent Auction, Raffle Tickets for a Replica Revolutionary War Musket, etc. To join the team, please contact Compatriot Kanter at kevinkanter@icloud.com.

### HISTORICAL VIGNETTE

(**Photo Right**) Compatriot Peter Baron provide a Historical Vignette for our October Chapter Meeting giving historical dates of the American Revolution and inviting attendees to identify the event.



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## CHAPTER MARKS GRAVE SITES OF DECEASED CHAPTER MEMBERS

(**Photo Left**) Under the leadership of Compatriot Frank Kebelman, our Compatriot Grave Marking Program Chairman, the Chapter conducted a Grave Marking Event on October 7, 2023 at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery. The primary purpose of this program is to honor the memories of those who did so much for SAR and our Chapter.

Each grave marking event included an opening prayer, reading of the compatriot's biography, placement of a small US Flag, SAR Bronze Marker and Flowers at the headstone, musket firing, playing of taps and closing prayer.

The Compatriot Graves marked were:

- Noah Dwight Allison was born in Spencer, Owen County, Indiana, on 9 February 1899. He was a veteran of World War I and graduated from DePauw University, Indiana, in 1921. He was called to active duty during World War II and served with General Omar Bradley and Field Marshall Montgomery in Europe. He received the Bronze Star Medal and the Order of British Empire. He was accepted for membership in the NSSAR on 20 March 1957 and received NSSAR National Number 82004 and TXSSAR Number 1292. General Allison was the first Army Reserve Officer buried at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery when he passed away on 21 March 1971.
- **John Herman Mack** was born in San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas on 8 November 1918. He attended the University of Texas, Austin and graduated in 1941. John joined the U.S. Army's 90<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division and fought in every major battle including the landing at Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge. He joined the NSSAR in 1983 receiving National Number 123000 and Texas Society Number 5068. A man of faith, he was an Elder at the Sunset Ridge Church of Christ. Mr. Mack passed away on 6 March 2002 and was interred at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery.
- Henry Lamar Hammond was born on 18 March 1922 in Hazen, Prairie County, Arkansas. He earned his BS in Pharmacology from the University of Mississippi in 1943 and subsequently joined the U.S. Army. He was commissioned and remained on active duty through World War II, Korea and Vietnam, retiring after thirty-one years as a Medical Service Corps Colonel having received the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star Medal. He was accepted for membership in the NSSAR in 1977 and received National Number 113527 and Texas Society Number 4289. He died on 25 December 2004. and was interred at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery.
- Eugene Hodges Salmon was born on 10 December 1910, in Atoka, Oklahoma. He earned his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Alabama. In 1940, he joined the U.S. Army and was assigned to the Artillery Branch. He served in combat during World War II and Korea. He joined the NSSAR in June in 2001 and received NSSAR National Number 156102 and Texas Society Number 8813. Colonel Salmon passed away on 6 May 2004 at the age of ninety-four and was interred at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery.
- Jerry Alden Higginson Sr. was born on 22 April 1933 in Mount Vernon, Jefferson County, Illinois. After graduating from high school he joined the U.S. Air Force in 1951 and remained on active duty through the Korean War. He left the U.S. Air Force in 1955 as a Staff Sergeant. He spent the majority of his working career in the engineering field in Salem, Illinois, but relocated to San Antonio in 1982 and joined Valero in its Pipeline Division until his retirement in 1998. He was an Elder in the Community of Christ Church. Mr. Higginson was a member of the Mayflower Society and was a direct descendant of John and Priscilla Alden. He was accepted for membership in the NSSAR in 1997 and received National Number 149004 and Texas Society Number 8147. He passed away on 7 January 2022 at the age of eighty-eight years and was interred at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery.

# **CHAPTER GRAVE MARKING PROGRAM (CONTINUED)**

Compatriot Frank Kebelman, our Compatriot Grave Marking Program Chairman, conducted a Grave Marking Event on October 8, 2023 at Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery. Our purpose for conducting these Events is to honor the memories of those who did so much for SAR and our Chapter.

Each grave marking event included an opening prayer, reading of the compatriot's biography, placement of a small US Flag, SAR Bronze Marker and Flowers at the headstone, musket firing, playing of taps and closing prayer.

The Compatriot Graves marked were:

- Major Melvin B. Russell was born in Norman, Oklahoma, on 23 November 1918. He was attending college when World War II began and thereafter joined the US Army. He participated in combat and received the Purple Heart, and after the war ended continued to serve as an Army officer. Among his many assignments, the Russell family was stationed in El Paso, TX, Germany, Maryland and San Antonio, Texas, where they retired. In 1991 Major Russell was accepted for membership in the NSSAR, receiving NSSAR Number 136406 and Texas Society Number 6687. Major Russell passed away on 15 June 1996 and was laid to rest at Sunset Memorial Park, 1701 Austin, San Antonio, Texas.
- Robert Donnell Adams III was born on 15 December 1925 in Corsicana, Navarro County, Texas. He was reared in Harlingen, Texas, and attended Texas A&M University before being drafted into the U.S. Army during World War II. Bob served with General Patton's 3<sup>rd</sup> Army in Europe and later in the Philippines and on occupation duty in Japan. In 19 July 1947 he graduated from Texas State University. Compatriot Adams had a very successful career as a hospital administrator for over thirty-five years. He was an active genealogist and a member of several hereditary societies, including the NSSAR, receiving NSSAR Number 139031 and Texas Society Number 6929. He passed away on 19 December 2012 and is interned at Sunset Memorial Park, 1701 Austin Highway, San Antonio, Texas.
- George McKee Williams was born in San Antonio, Texas, on 7 February 1923. He completed high school locally and attended Texas A&M University until called to active duty in world War II. He served as an officer in the US Army Signal Corps and returned to Texas A&M graduating in 1947 with a degree in accounting. Compatriot Williams was accepted for membership in the NSSAR in 1973 and received NSSAR Number 104919 and Texas Society Number 2681. He passed away on 9 May 2005 and was laid to rest at Sunset Memorial Park, 1701 Austin Highway, San Antonio, Texas.
- Compatriot Light T. Cummins was born in San Antonio, Texas on 15 February 1916. He graduated from the University of Texas and the Baylor University Dental School then served as an officer in the US Army Dental Corps during World War II. In 1945 he married Roberta Kelly of Shelton Connecticut. He served as chairman of the Bexar County Selective Service Board from the 1950's through the 1970's. He volunteered with many charities and was active in the Sons of the Republic of Texas and the Sons of the American Revolution which he joined in 1982 receiving NSSAR Number 121487 and Texas Society Number 4922. He was a member of the Vestry at Saint Mark's Episcopal Church. He owned Rebalta Farms in Lavaca County and spent his professional career as a dentist in private practice. He passed away on 22 May 2017 at the age of 101 and was laid to rest at Sunset Memorial Park, 1701 Austin Highway, San Antonio, Texas.
- Clyde Vernon Cochrane was born in Gonzales, Gonzales County, Texas on 23 December 1892. After graduating from high school he served in the Texas Militia during the 1916 Mexican Border Expedition. Having grown up in rural Texas he had a strong interest in the cattle industry and was a member of the San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo. Mr. Cochrane was a salesman and then a manager in the production of concrete pipe and resided in San Antonio during his professional career. He was a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masonic Order and the Sons of the American Revolution which he joined in 1957 receiving NSSAR National Number 82001 and Texas Society Number 1289. He passed away on 28 June 1989 and was laid to rest at Sunset Memorial Park, 1701 Austin Highway, San Antonio, Texas.

#### SAR DUES FOR 2024 REMINDER

For those of you who have a deliverable mailing address, your 2024 Dues Notices should have arrived in your home mailbox in late October. These are sent Bulk Mail to your address of record as of September 1st. If you do not receive one by Thanksgiving, please look for your notice online, and help us get your address corrected.

Texas SAR has voted that Junior Members will not need to pay dues for 2024.

Keep in mind that your dues are considered late on **January 1, 2024**. If they are still unpaid 30 days later - NSSAR will drop you from the rolls and you will start to show a gap in your service and not get your magazine. So...please pay them online or by mail as soon as you can to help your Chapter and avoid a lapse in your SAR Service! As in previous years, you have 3 options for paying your dues.

Online/Paypal (option 1) - We encourage everyone to use this option, and pay your dues by credit card through Paypal. Go to <a href="https://www.txssar.org/!!TXS!!SAR!!/">https://www.txssar.org/!!TXS!!SAR!!/</a> and enter your National SAR # and Name as it appears on your Membership Certificate. Then select your primary chapter and any others you maintain dual membership with and follow the checkout procedures. This is operational on the TexasSAR.org website NOW. PayPal fees have been removed for 2024 Dues payments.

As mentioned, this online Paypal form also allows for secondary (dual) chapters to be added for those wishing to pay as a dual member.

US Mail (option 2) - You simply take the bottom section of the dues invoice you receive in the mail and send a check for the amount indicated with the pre-addressed envelope, stamp it, and return it to us by US mail. This is to be for your PRIMARY Chapter Dues Statements - it only includes dues for your Primary Chapter, State Dues, and National Dues where applicable.

**US Mail (option 3)** - Use this option if you want to pay by check, but did NOT get a dues notice in the mail or you want to pay NOW for whatever reason. Go to https://www.txssar.org/!!TXS!!SAR!!/invoice.htm. Grab your dues notice online, print it out, and mail it back in with a check. This option is available NOW on the Texas SAR.org website.

**Donations** - As many of you are aware, our society has many beneficial funds that you can donate to for great purposes. Each year, when you renew your membership is a great time to make a donation to one of several great options. All Donation \$\\$ will be allocated as you indicate on the form. Please review the items listed in the donations section of the online dues payment page, and support these worthwhile programs. Thank you for your continued support of our programs!

Please do NOT mail to older addresses - those have been closed - USE THE ADDRESS ON THE RETURN EN-VELOPE or the ONLINE DUES NOTICE ONLY. If you or your bank mail it somewhere else, there is no guarantee it gets to us or that you will be credited. Getting these in on time is important for your Chapter and you. The sooner your dues are in, the sooner our books are cleared with NSSAR and the funds available to your Chapter in the Spring - and no more reminder calls!!! We appreciate your patience and support!!!Thank you.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMING EVENTS

Next Chapter Executive Committee Meetings: November 8 and December 6, 2023 at La Fonda Mexican Restaurant, Alamo Heights (Meetings are usually held the 2nd Wednesday each month 11:30 A.M.)

Chapter Meetings: November 15, and December 13, 2023; Petroleum Club (7th Floor), 11:30 A.M. Reservations are required via <a href="mailto:txsarch4reservations@gmail.com">txsarch4reservations@gmail.com</a>

(Meetings are usually

held the 3rd Wednesday of each month.)

**Chapter Grave Marking Program:** 

Next Grave Marking Event will be held on Saturday, November 4th at Mission Burial Park South and San Jose Burial Park in San Antonio. For more details contact Compatriot Frank Kebelman at Kebelman@gmail.com.

Wreaths Across America: To donate a Wreath and have it placed at a local Cemetery, send email to Kevin Kanter

(kevinkanter@icloud.com) for an Order Form.

Holiday Luncheon with San Antonio de Bexar DAR Chapter:

San Antonio Country Club, Decem December 2, 2023, 11:30 AM The cost of meals will be provided in mid-November. A News Release will be sent for you to make your reservations to DAR Chapter Treasurer by November 24, 2023. Mail your check to Sandra Burton, 107 Squires Row, San Antonio, TX 78213-2633. Your check is your reservation. (Frank Rohrbough)

For more information, please go to our Chapter Website at:

www.txssar.org/SanAntonio

# **MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

**5\_yrs of Service** 

William Elmer Arnulfo Alvarado Lee Morris Jason Bushman **Eugene Holmes Grant Chandler** Wilbur Valentine 10\_yrs of Service

James Allgood Robert Wilder 15\_yrs of service

Kenneth Pfeiffer Richard Cordova Jay Lewallen

20\_yrs of service

Jon Sandidge

25\_yrs of service

**Aaron Smith** George Harcourt Norman Krimbill Warren Pfeiffer

35\_yrs of service

Joseph Flint Clarence Bell

45\_Yrs of service

John Keck

50\_yrs of service

Eldon Freeman