



Ladies Auxiliary Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution



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President Sue Lenes

Historian/Editor Jane Cohen

President's Greetings - Welcome to the Ladies Auxiliary newsletter. We are wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of a member of the Texas SAR (Sons of the American Revolution). We are the support team, when asked, and we help further the objectives and activities of the Texas SAR. Read about our assistance with fund raising for Texas SAR Patriot Fund in this newsletter.

We invite ladies to attend the Ladies Auxiliary events at the Texas SAR meetings and enjoy fellowship with other ladies who are interested in the patriotic, historical, and educational objectives and purposes of the Texas SAR.

Thanks for allowing me to serve another term. I look forward to helping promote membership and friendship in Texas SAR chapters. Dues are \$5, payable annually or \$100 for Life Membership. See the membership form at the end of this newsletter.

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Fall Board of Managers (BOM) - Join your husband and attend the Fall BOM in Galveston Oct 9-10. Registration information is online at the Texas SAR web site - www.txssar.org/reg_oct15.htm - or Texas SAR > Events > 2015 Fall BOM > Online Registration. Get a group together and enjoy a trip to Galveston. The LA will tour the Bryan Museum on Saturday. Come and join us. The LA Membership Application Form is online and on the last page of this newsletter for your convenience.

LA Online - For more information about the Ladies Auxiliary, Texas SAR, go to the LA web page hosted on the SAR web page - www.txssar.org/LA. You will find meeting minutes, budgets and news posted there. Share the news with other wives through your husband's chapter.

Editor's Note - The LA Tx SAR Newsletter helps promote communication with members. Do you have items you would like to see in this newsletter? If you have articles, pictures or stories of LA activities, send your contributions, photos and comments to Jane Cohen, Historian/Editor, LA Tx SAR, at j-cohen@aggienetwork.com

**President
Sue Lenes**

Sue was born in Goose Creek, Texas, now Baytown. She is a third generation Texan. Her husband is John P “Pete” Lenes past President of the Bernardo de Galvez Chapter #1, Texas SAR, and he is presently their Registrar. Sue is a member of George Washington Chapter of the DAR in Galveston, Texas. She and Pete have been married for 43 plus years. They have a blended family of five children, eight grand children and eight great grand children. Their two sons are members of Texas SAR and three daughters are DAR members. All of the grand children are members of SAR and DAR. Even the newest infant grandson’s application has been submitted to National for approval. Sue said, “We are a very patriotic family.”

Sue is in her second term as President of LATXSSAR, and she is an active member of several other patriotic organizations. She also loves to read and play bridge. Sue joined the Ladies Auxiliary in support of her husband and his interest in Texas SAR. Sue said she really enjoys the friendship and camaraderie of the ladies in the organization.



**Vice President -
Gloria A. Lietz**

Gloria is married to Compatriot Lloyd W. Lietz, Past President of McKinney Chapter #63, TXSSAR and current Chair of the TXSSAR Council of Presidents. He is serving as a Regimental Commander in the Texas State Guard.

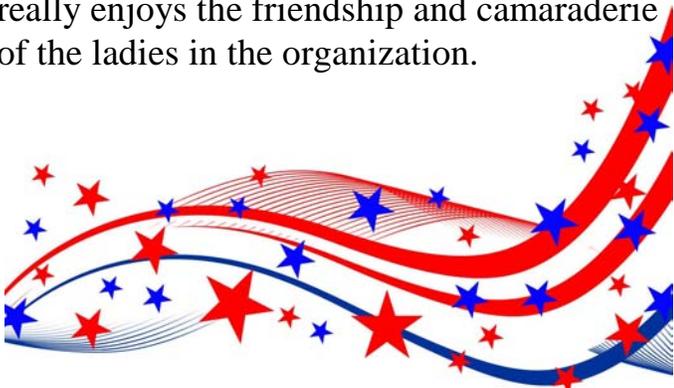


Military life took them to Germany, Belgium, Georgia, Kansas, Colorado and North Carolina. After leaving the US Army Reserves as a Major, Gloria enjoyed a career as a financial planner. When accompanying her husband in the military, she volunteered extensively in budget counseling and as a volunteer income tax preparer.

She and Lloyd have been married for 35 years and they have three children: Charlene, June and Richard. Charlene is a DAR and DRT member. June is a Captain in the US Army Medical Service Corps. Richard resides in Brooklyn, NY. Gloria is a member of the Collin County Master Gardeners Club. She enjoys reading and traveling and sewing.



Tx SAR Ladies Auxiliary Pin - The LA insignia of the Texas Sons of the American Revolution pin is a beautiful pin which can be worn at state and national meetings to show you are “Texas Proud.” Each pin may be purchased for \$10 at the LA meetings or order from Mary Claire Beard, shown on next page.



Secretary**Eileen Walcik**

Eileen was born in Flint, Michigan but moved to Texas at the age of five. Her dad was a third generation Texan. She met Ron in kindergarten, and they went through school together. They have been married for 45 years. Military life took them to New Jersey, Berlin Germany, Georgia, and finally back to Texas. Eileen has a BBA in Business Administration from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville and a Masters degree in Educational Administration from Tarleton State University in Stephenville. She retired in 2012 after teaching middle school language arts for 34 years. Now she spends her time volunteering at an elementary school tutoring reading and writing for 3rd and 4th graders and presenting historical programs for elementary students.

The Daughters of the American Revolution is an important part of her family with daughters Melissa and Jaime also members of the Ensign Thomas Huling Chapter. She is currently the Regent of her chapter. She is also a member of the Mayflower Society through ancestor Richard Warren. Her husband is a member of the Heart of Texas chapter SAR, one of the SAR State District Vice-Presidents, and just recently was asked to take over as the Color Guard Southern Commander. Grandson Dustin was recently approved for SAR membership.

Eileen's hobbies include reading, scrapbooking, quilting, documenting cemeteries along with daughter Melissa and genealogy.

**Treasurer -****Mary Claire Beard**

Mary Claire was born in Knoxville, Tennessee, where most of her family still lives. A graduate of the University of Tennessee, she has a degree in accounting. Go Vols!!!!



Since it was hard to find good paying jobs in Ktown, she moved to Houston where she met John Beard.

John and Mary Claire have three children. The eldest graduated from the Naval Academy, the second from Texas A&M and the youngest graduated from the University of Florida School of Law.

I now enjoy my grandchildren and retirement.

You are welcome to join the Ladies Auxiliary. See the membership form on the last page of this newsletter and online.

LA National SAR Pin - This pin is the insignia of the National Society of the Ladies Auxiliary (LA) of the Sons of the American Revolution. Members of the LA Texas SAR are also member of the National LA. The National Society meets during the Annual Convention of the national SAR. Each pin costs \$10 and can be purchased at the LA meetings or ordered from Mary Claire Beard, Texas SAR - LA Treasurer, 3738 Palmetto Creek Dr., Kingwood, TX 77339-2615.



Historian - Jane Cohen

Jane enjoys reading, genealogy, gardening, pottery, sewing, and volunteering. Jane won 1st national DAR Awards Clay/Pottery for Family History Vases 2004, Freedom Bells '06, Flower Platters '09; Honorable Mention Mixed Media '07.



Jane has BS in Home Economics from NTSU, MEd from TAMU and PhD in Nutrition from TTU. Jane was a Registered and Licensed Dietitian, retiring after 25 years with TAMU, having served as Health Education Coordinator and Nutrition Specialist at the Student Health Center; Expanded Foods and Nutrition Program Specialist with Extension Service; Nutrition Instructor at TTU and SHSU.

An active member of DAR since 1978, she has served as Chapter Regent, Vice Regent, Registrar, Treasurer; Dogwood Regent's Council President 05-06, DAR Genealogy Consultant, and State Chair and Vice Chair of eight Committees for three terms each and is currently Chair for the new DAR-SAR Relations Committee 2015-18. She is Texas Garden Club State Historian, Beta Sigma Phi local reporter.

Jane has been married for 47+ years to Robert Strib (Bob) Cohen, Ph.D., Extension Specialist Emeritus and retired TAMU AgriLife Extension Information Technology Specialist. Bob was Tx SAR State President for 2014-15. They enjoyed meeting many good SAR members across the state. They

live in Wellborn Community in College Station. Jane organized Citizens for Wellborn and served as President for 3 years and was again elected President for 2014 and 2015. She received the 2010 Adam Royder Masonic Lodge #778 Community Builder Award.

Chaplain Mary Louise Gulley

Mary Louise is a native Texan, born in Tyler. She goes by both names, named after both of her grandmothers. She graduated from Tyler High School in 1957, and graduated from Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas, in 1961 with a BA Degree in Christian Education. After graduation, she went to work for Exxon Mobil in Houston and retired in 2001 with 20+ years of service.



She and her late husband, John, have a daughter, a son, and a grandson. Her daughter, Lynnette, joins her in LA Texas SAR and DAR membership. She is an Honorary Regent of George Washington Chapter DAR in Galveston, the first DAR Chapter in Texas, organized in 1895. This is her second term as Chaplain of the Ladies Auxiliary.



Illness - Memorial -

Notify Mary Louise Gulley - gulleyml@aol.com - if you know about wives or husbands who are ill or in case of deaths. We are a support team for Texas SAR, and when asked, we help further their objectives.

Parliamentarian Catherine Massey



Catherine was born in Huntsville, Texas, a fifth generation Texan. Her husband is Sam Massey, Texas SAR State Officer - Communications Secretary.

She is a DAR member in the John McKnitt Alexander Chapter of Houston and served as Regent for 2 years. She is also a member of The National Society of Colonial Dames in America in the State of Texas where she serves as Historical Activities Chairman, and is a member of Daughters of the Cincinnati. Catherine is a life member of LATXSSAR and recently served as President for 2 years. It was so much fun she accepted the Board position as Parliamentarian.

She and her husband serve in a ministry to doctors, post docs, and medical researchers from Mainland China coming to the Med Center in Houston for a short term stay. They meet every Friday night for Chinese food and have an opportunity to teach the Chinese about Jesus and the Bible. No, she does not speak Mandarin. Other interests include gardening, art, cooking, and travel.



SAR Membership - Men may apply for SAR membership at birth. Give your sons/grandsons, male relatives a National Life/Texas Perpetual SAR membership for \$2080 at birth, \$1910 age 18, etc. No dues, ever!!! Covers yearly dues: National \$30, (\$35 on Jan. 1); Texas \$12.50; One Chapter \$9.50. Form is online - www.sar.org/sites/default/files/docs/nssar-forms/Nat-Life-member-2014-09-23.pdf

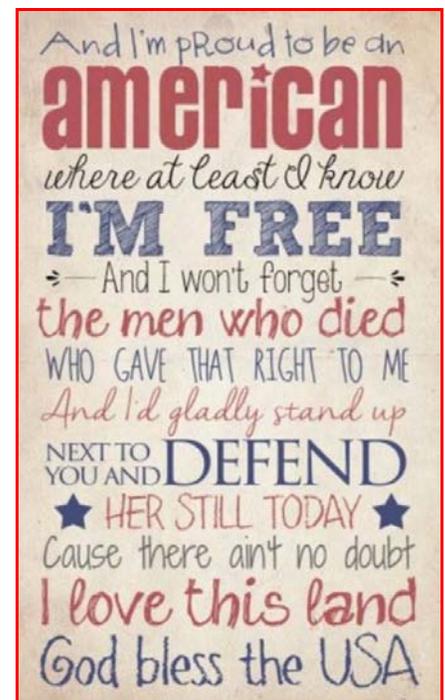
LA Tx SAR Business 2015 - Contributions to the SAR Patriot Fund and the quilt raffle are in this newsletter.

Membership: 143 members as of March 2015. Members who have not paid dues in two years will be dropped from the roster. Several members attending paid at the meeting were not counted in this number.

SAR chapters are encouraged to conduct a LA membership drive at their local meetings. One does not have to attend state meeting to be an LA Tx SAR member! Make copies of the membership form included at the end of this newsletter and share with your chapter members and wives.

Upcoming Events -

SCD: Aug 28-29, 2015, Little Rock, AR
Tx Fall BOM: Oct 9-10, 2015, Galveston
Spring Tx SAR: April 1-3, 2016, Plano
National SAR: July 8 - 13, 2016, Boston, MA
Ck Texas SAR web page for details.



2015 March 26-28 Houston

Thanks to the Piney Woods SAR Chapter for hosting!
Read minutes online - www.txssar.org/LA/pdf/minutesMar15.pdf



During the Auxiliary Room open time, the Ladies Auxiliary made lap quilts for veterans. Sarah Potter, Sylvia Marrs, Phoebe Hartline, Joyce Adair, Barbara Merritt, Pat Taylor, Carol Radcliff, Nona Thompson, Jane Cohen, Gloria Lietz.

Lap Blankets



Using sharp scissors and rulers: Sue Lenes, Judy West, Meg Anderson, Phoebe Hartline, Nona Thompson, Gloria Lietz, Maxine Heath.



In Revolutionary War dresses, Sylvia Marrs, Eileen Walcik, Angelia Peik, Dianne Jones - present lap quilts to Texas Star Veteran's Home, Temple, May 14. Eileen reported - "They loved the blankets" for veterans.

2015 Spring Lunch



Lunch at Jimmy G's Cajun Seafood Restaurant, L-R: Gloria Gibson, Maxine Heath, Jane Cohen, Judy West, Sue Lenes, Sarah Potter, JaAnn Alderman, Marie Rohrbough, Connie Barker, Barbara Merritt, Dianne Jones. Nona Thompson, _____, Barbara Stevens, Wanda White, Phoebe Hartline, Carol Radcliff, Eileen Walcik, Catherine Massey, Pat Taylor

Bunco Party Winners

Bunco Players Have Talent
They Can Roll Dice
And Talk At The Same Time



Left - Meg Anderson

Center - Judy West, Carol Radcliff, JaAnn Alderman



Right Below - Marie Rohrbough, Gloria Gibson, Jane Cohen, Barbara Stevens, seated Carol Radcliff.



Left - Sylvia Marrs



Business Meeting -



First Lady Jane Cohen receives tray from Ladies Auxiliary President - Sue Lenas.



Parliamentarian Catherine Massey, Chaplain Mary Louise Gulley, President Sue Lenas, Secretary Eileen Walcik, Ladies Auxiliary Saturday morning business meeting.



Left - Catherine Massey installed President Sue Lenas and Secretary Eileen Walcik

Right - reports and awards: Judy West, Sylvia Marrs, Catherine Massey



Front Row, seated: Catherine Massey, Maxine Heath, Mary Louise Gulley, Sue Lenas, Eileen Walcik, Wanda White, Jane Cohen. Middle Row, seated: Sarah Lou Potter, Anna Lee, Barbara Merritt, Judy West, JaAnn Alderman, Marie Rohrbough, Robin Butler. Back Row, standing: Barbara Stevens, Dianne Jones, Nona Thompson, Marsha Shaner, Gloria Gibson, Sylvia Marrs, Zipra Morgan, Carol Holden, Phoebe Hartline, _____, _____, Pat Taylor.

Quilt Fundraiser - a beautiful quilt in cream, red, white and blue patriotic colors with stars was hand crafted and designed by Phoebe Hartline who graciously donated her artistic creativity, time and materials in making a new quilt for this two year venture. Phoebe's own design, fabric type(s) and stitching style(s) is outstanding. Phoebe is an experienced Panhandle quilter with over 50 quilts designed and completed. Phoebe says quilt making is a personal therapy for her in her personal quilt workshop on her ranch between Wheeler and Canadian where her family settled in the early 1900's. She donated this quilt as her service to the Tx SAR, youth programs and in honor of her husband, Chuck, and his new membership in Panhandle Plains Chapter.



Phoebe Hartline receives Martha Washington Award from Tx SAR State President Bob Cohen



Phoebe Hartline receives Certificate from Auxiliary President Sue Lenas.



Jane Cohen receives Certificate for selling tickets over \$1775.



Jane Cohen, Sue Lenas, Eileen Walcik, Phoebe Hartline at Banquet drawing.



Left - Sue Lenas presents \$3840 from quilt fund raiser to Tx SAR. Funds raised support Tx SAR Patriot Fund, awards for Texas youth - Knight Youth Essay, Eagle Scout Essay, Oration, ROTC/ JROTC Scholarships, Sea Cadets Scholarship, C.A.R. Essay, Poster, Brochure, and Outstanding American History Teacher.



The quilt winner was a very excited Marsha Lee. Her husband Mack D. Lee of Gatesville, a member of the Heart of Texas Chapter, saw a picture of quilt and wanted tickets. Marsha shared - He was physically challenged and ill, passing away January 2015; winning the quilt was a very special reminder of him and his love of genealogy.



Mack & Marsha Lee

Friends and Guests



Jim Johnson, sketch artist, visits the Auxiliary Room and talks with members.



Anna Marie Lee, center, with husband Stephen Lee, left, helped with the new SAR and You video. Right Judge Butler.



Left - Nona Thompson, wife of George Thompson, VPG, from Oklahoma.
Right - Pamela Wright, State Regent, Texas DAR.

Right - L to R:
Robin Butler
Mickey Jo Lawrence



Helpers with the President's Reception - Wanda White, Connie Barker, Dianne Jones, Mickey Jo Lawrence.

LA Texas SAR NEEDS YOU!

Take several copies of this membership form to your chapter meetings!

The purpose of the Ladies Auxiliary, Texas SAR (Sons of the American Revolution) is to maintain an association of eligible ladies who are interested in the patriotic, historical, and educational objectives and purposes of the Texas SAR, to foster fellowship among relatives of Texas SAR members, to be of help to Texas SAR and its chapters when asked, and to help further the objectives and patriotic activities of Texas SAR.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM			
<i>[Please fill out this form and submit with your dues]</i>			
Member Information			
Date:			
Name:			
Address:			
City:		State:	
		Zip:	
e-mail		Telephone:	
		Cell:	

TXSSAR Information	
SAR Chapter Affiliation	
SAR City:	
SAR Contact:	
SAR Contact Relationship:	

Dues Submission		
<i>Please select annual dues or lifetime membership</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Dues	\$5.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Membership	\$100.00	
Amount Paid:		

Make checks payable to "LATXSSAR"

Send Application and dues check to:
Mary Claire Beard, Treasurer/Registrar
3738 Palmetto Creek Drive
Kingwood, TX 77339-2615

*Form is online, also
txssar.org/LA/pdf/MembAppForm.pdf*