

“AR” Membership is Heritage for This Family



The youngest member of the Grisby family was inducted into the Robert Rankin Chapter at our January meeting. On the left is a picture of Inductee Cooper Grisby with Robert Rankin President Alex Thorne.

Below is a picture of Past Texas State President Tom Jackson pinning Cooper with the official pin of the SAR which, following Rankin tradition, came from the lapel of President Thorne.



All the male members are SAR, while Grandmother is DAR. Below is a picture of the whole family. Brother Christian, Grandfather Richard, Grandmother Deborah, and Father Matthew.



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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

Monthly Meeting

Spring Creek BBQ
Feb. 2, 6:30

Spring Leadership

Louisville, KY
Feb. 27 to Mar. 1

Humble Museum The Spanish Gamble

Humble Museum
Mar. 1, 10:00

Texas SAR State Conference

Richardson
Mar. 27 to 30

Deborah Grigsby is awarded the Martha Washington

Immediately after Cooper Grigsby was inducted into Robert Rankin Chapter, Grandmother Deborah Grigsby was awarded with the Chapter Martha Washington Medal in recognition of outstanding service to SAR.



The medal is gold in color and bears on the obverse a portrait of Martha Washington within the inscription

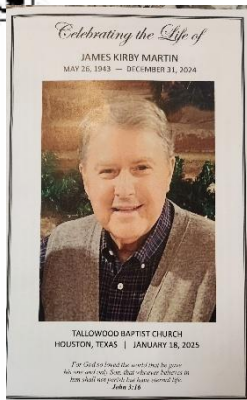


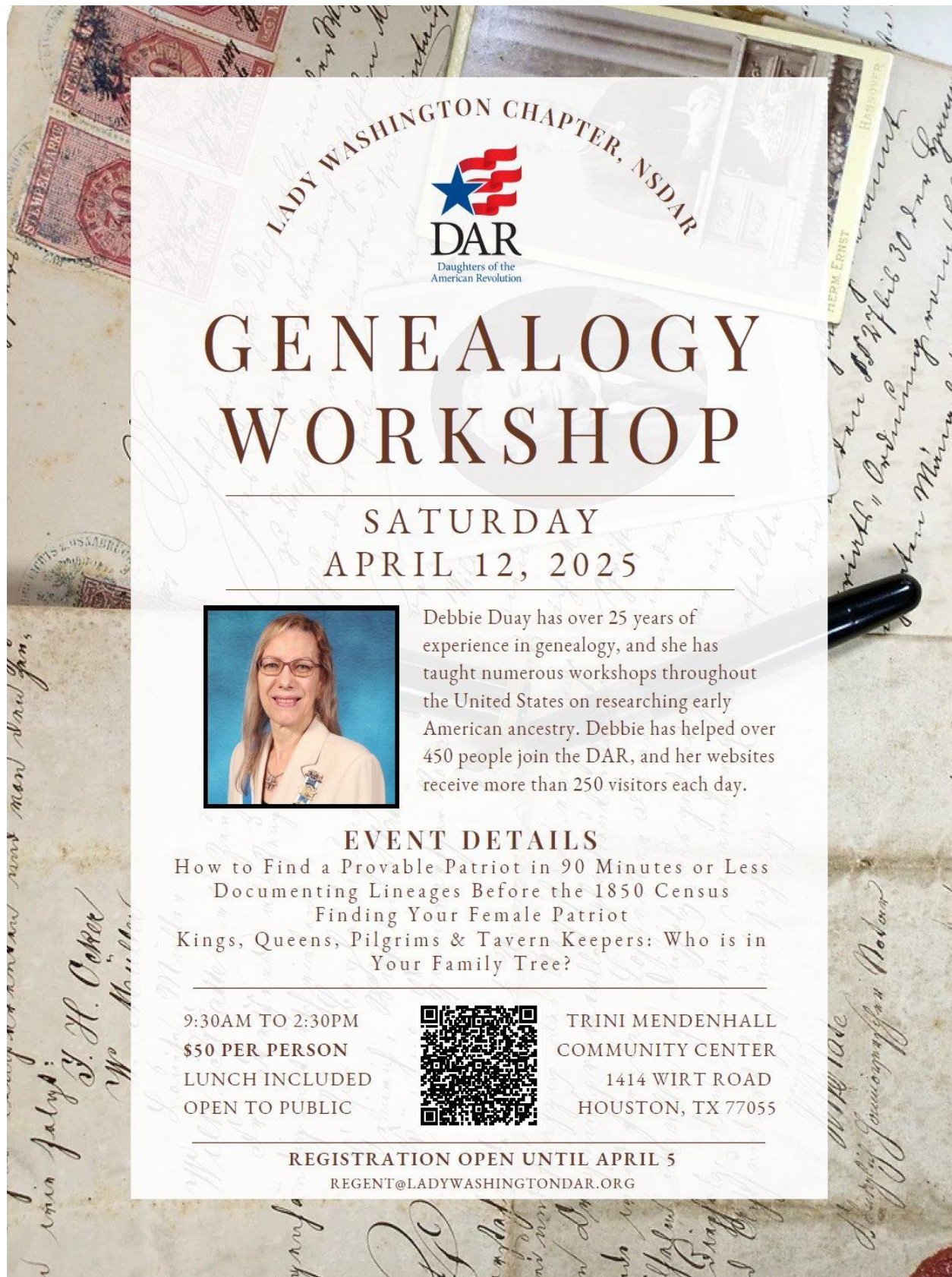
“SAR Martha Washington Award.” It is suspended from a chest ribbon of the SAR colors and is accompanied by a certificate.

Celebration of Life for Dr. Jim Kirby Martin. Dr. Martin, in addition to being a proud member of the Sons of the American Revolution was also a preeminent historian and author in the field of American History with particular emphasis for the time period of the American Revolution.

The eulogy is given we're all heartwarming and definitely touching about the man that I counted as friend. One of the amazing eulogies was given by Ray Halbritter, who is one of the leaders of the Oneida Nation. The Oneida Nation was the first ally of America.

Dr. Martin wrote a book about forgotten allies.





LADY WASHINGTON CHAPTER, NSDAR



GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

SATURDAY
APRIL 12, 2025



Debbie Duay has over 25 years of experience in genealogy, and she has taught numerous workshops throughout the United States on researching early American ancestry. Debbie has helped over 450 people join the DAR, and her websites receive more than 250 visitors each day.

EVENT DETAILS

How to Find a Provable Patriot in 90 Minutes or Less
Documenting Lineages Before the 1850 Census
Finding Your Female Patriot
Kings, Queens, Pilgrims & Tavern Keepers: Who is in Your Family Tree?

9:30AM TO 2:30PM
\$50 PER PERSON
LUNCH INCLUDED
OPEN TO PUBLIC



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REGISTRATION OPEN UNTIL APRIL 5
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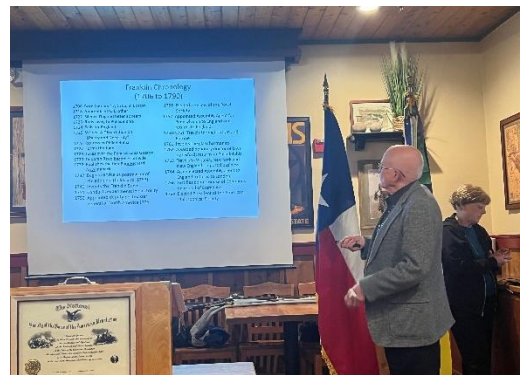
Presentation by Chaplin Don Andress on Ben Franklin House While in London



Robert Rankin's Chaplin Don Andress and his bride Delma have returned from a trip to England. While there, they visited the house that Benjamin Franklin stayed in while he was in London. Benjamin lived and worked there for nearly sixteen years on the eve of the American Revolution (1757-1762 and 1764-1775).



Don provided us with a wonderful slide show discussing the interesting facts about the house.

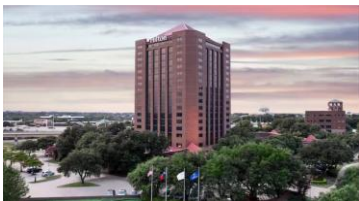


Mark Your Calendar

Texas SAR Convention

March 27 – 30, 2025 at the Hilton Richardson Dallas in Richardson, TX.

Local Attractions - Located 11 miles from the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum and Southern Methodist University, 16 miles from the Dallas Arboretum Garden and 13 miles from the Perot Museum of Natural and Science.




SAR RECEIVES HISTORY GRANT

The SAR is honored to be a recipient of a grant from the Kentucky Historical Society in celebration of America 250KY! This grant will fund an upgrade of the SAR's Past Perfect collections management software to include public access to SAR Collection records!

This project is supported with funding from the Kentucky Historical Society. For more information, see history.ky.gov.



**250TH CELEBRATION OF THE BATTLE
LEXINGTON AND CONCORD**
Hosted by the Massachusetts Society
and the New England District
Friday, April 18, 2025 – Sunday, April 20, 2025



Please join the Massachusetts Society and New England District for the Commemoration of the Battle of Lexington and Concord. We have been working extremely hard putting a multi-day program together and it is firming up.

The program promises to be something you will want to



participate in and be glad you did. Events begin on Friday, April 18th and go through Monday, April 21st. Many of our National General Officers, National Color Guard, and members throughout the country will be joining us.

Registration for the event starts on March 1st. You will want to register to get the most out of the programs being offered including transportation to the events (you will not want to try and navigate area traffic yourself).

For more information, log onto the National website and select events or click here –

<https://www.sar.org/wp-content/uploads/Lexington-n-concord-250th-Celebration-Info-Flyer-r4.pdf>



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

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