



Texas History Day Opportunity

We have been asked for individuals to act as judges at the Texas History Day contest in Austin on April 5th. This contest is presented by the Texas State Historical Association. Themes of the students' projects include any timeline and geographic event they wish to work with - not just Texas.

There will be up to 1,000 6th to 12th graders that have been working on their projects all year. We will judge their research, analytical and creative skills to develop their projects. All new judges will be placed with experienced veteran judges. Attire is civilian. Spouses are encouraged to participate as this is a Non-SAR event.

Time are 7:30 am to 1:00 pm or 3:00 pm. Breakfast and lunch will be provided - and a Texas History Day T-shirt.



Ken Wise – Rankin Member

I am the outgoing President of the TSHA. Last year was the largest Texas History Day ever and we had several kids selected to compete in Washington DC at the national finals. Please consider spending a day in Austin looking at a fabulous set of projects and meeting our future historians. It is time well spent.

Terry Miller – Rankin Member

I judged National History Day twice at University of Maryland and Texas History Day twice in Austin. Even a regional contest in Montgomery County once. I can't do them now, but they were a great opportunity to relate to some talented young people.

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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

March Meeting

Spring Creek BBQ
3/12 – 6:30

DAR TX Convention

Houston, TX
3/13 – 3/17

Texas SAR Convention

Richardson, TX
3/27 – 3/30

Texas History Day

Austin, TX
4/5 – 4/6

April Meeting

Spring Creek BBQ
4/9/ - 6:30

Lineage Day

Sugarland, TX
4/13 – 2:05 pm

Why I ♥ C.A.R.?

Our first presentation was a PowerPoint from Kristie Bynum Campbell called “Why I Love C.A.? on behalf of the Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R).

Kristie’s presentation was designed to remind current

members and

introduce new

member to the C.A.R.

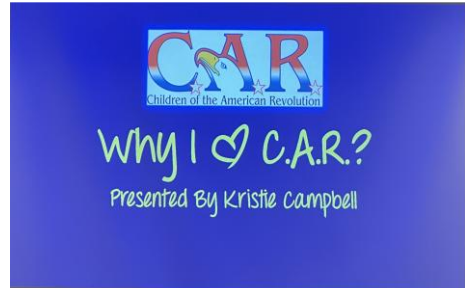
She is directly

involved with the

Captain Edward

Weyman chapter in

The Woodlands.



Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.), is the nation's oldest, largest, patriotic youth organization. It offers membership to anyone under the age of 22, male or female, lineally descended from someone who rendered material aid to the cause of American Independence as a soldier, sailor, civil officer, or recognized patriot in one of the several Colonies or States, or of the United States.

C.A.R. activities focus on patriotism, service, and education about our American heritage.



In Kristie’s presentation, she explained that there are opportunities available to the members on the local, state, and national levels. Members gain experience with projects, leadership skills, and interact with each other. There really is something for everyone.

Rankin Chapter President Alex Thorne presenting Kristie Bynum a Certificate of Appreciation and a Bronze Children of the American Revolution Medal of Appreciation.

Sons of the American Revolution Mentor Program

At our February meeting, Art Byrum, the District 7 Vice President, gave a presentation about the Mentor program formulated by the Texas Society SAR.

It is recommended that chapters establish a formal mentorship program where the mentors receive instruction/training prior to being assigned to assist new members.

The new member should be introduced to his member and encouraged to use him as a resource. This introduction should take place when the chapter is informed the new member is registered at National; it need not wait until the installation ceremony.

Ideally, the mentor relationship will continue for a minimum of 4 years.

For more information, log into the Texas SAR webpage, click the information tab at the top, and scroll down to the Mentor Training Program.



After successfully completing training two new members, you will be awarded Mentor Pin.

Rankin Chapter President Alex presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to Art Byrum, District 7 Vice President.



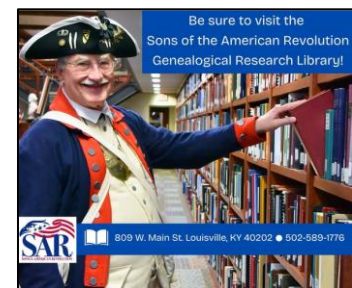
SAR Genealogical Research Library

The SAR Genealogical Research Library is a treasure trove for anyone interested in exploring their family history. Located four blocks from the Galt House, the SAR library is a must-visit during spring leadership.

The SAR Library has a vast collection of resources, including published genealogies and a wide array of state and county history books. Furthermore, patrons can enjoy complimentary access to Ancestry, Fold3, and Newspaper Archive, offering a



wealth of historical documents and records at your fingertips. Whether you are a seasoned genealogist or just starting your journey, the SAR Library provides the tools and support to uncover your family's past.





**50%
OFF**

APPLICATION FEES

FOR NEW MEMBER AND NEW JR.
MEMBER APPLICATIONS **ONLY**.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED
OR POSTMARKED ON THEIR WAY TO
NATIONAL IN THE MONTH OF APRIL.

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Family Plan applications beyond the limit of app. L 24 Establishes
a charge. Memorial or Succententals do not qualify for the discount.

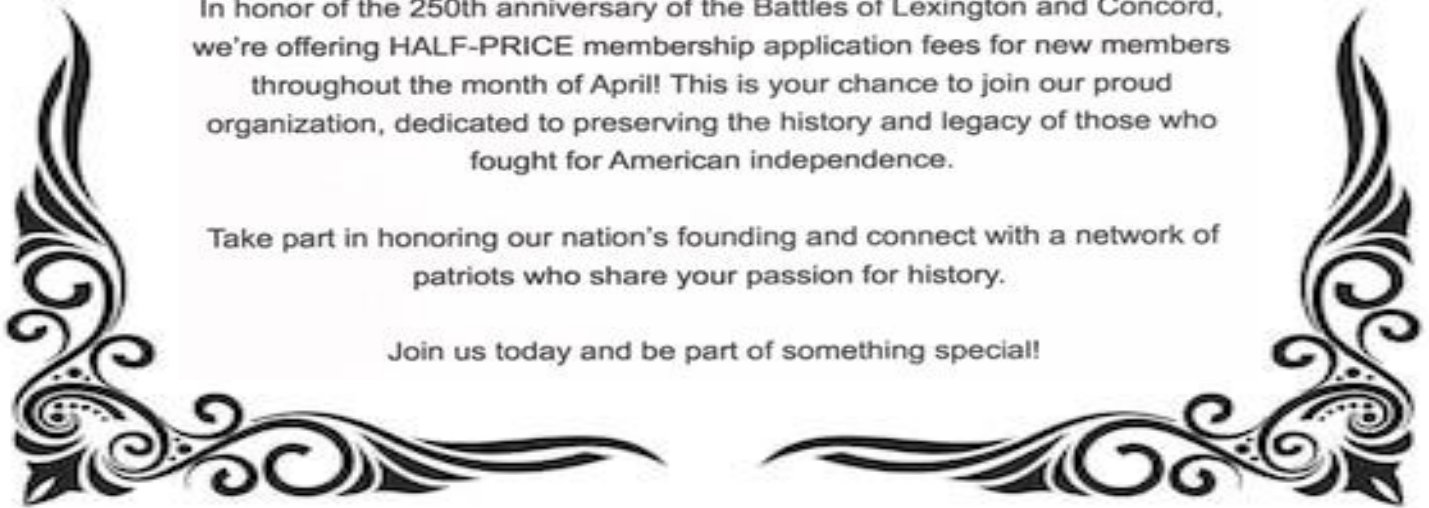


**Celebrate 250 Years of American Heritage with the Sons of the
American Revolution!**

In honor of the 250th anniversary of the Battles of Lexington and Concord,
we're offering HALF-PRICE membership application fees for new members
throughout the month of April! This is your chance to join our proud
organization, dedicated to preserving the history and legacy of those who
fought for American independence.

Take part in honoring our nation's founding and connect with a network of
patriots who share your passion for history.

Join us today and be part of something special!



Children of the American Revolution -Lineage Day

Greetings Patriots!

If you plan to attend the Baseball game on April 13th, PLEASE purchase your tickets sooner rather than later. Our window is open until March 30th. That is the SUNDAY of the SAR & C.A.R. state conferences. We need to sell 35 more tickets to get the per ticket rebate. If we sell all our tickets before the 30th they will add in more. The link is included here -

<https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Childrenamerican4>.

Do not forget to prepay for parking at \$4. You can get insurance if you are worried about a rainout. You do not need to be in color guard attire, but if you are you will be on the field & present colors. The waiting room is air conditioned.



**Captain Edward Weyman Society
Children of the American Revolution
Lineage Day**

A day of Patriotism & Baseball
All C.A.R. + DAR + SAR + Family + Friends
ALL Lineage Groups Invited
SAR Color Guard On the Field for National Anthem
\$5 of each ticket sold will go to the
A Capt Ed C.A.R. Project

Discounted Parking Passes can be purchased during ticket checkout. + + + + + SAR Color Guard During National Anthem

Sunday, April 13, 2025
2:05PM First Pitch
Constellation Field
Sugarland, Texas
Sugarland Space Cowboys
Vs.
Albuquerque Isotopes

Purchase Tickets, Food Vouchers & Parking
<https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Childrenamerican4>

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Captain Edward Weyman Society

No Color Guard Attire? Wear your SAR logo merchandise & come on out.

Sons and Daughters Pins

This beautiful Enameled pin is lynch in size featuring the SAR insignia and "Sons of the American Revolution" on top and "Patriot sons and Daughters" on the bottom. Available in the SAR store.



SAR UNIVERSITY



The Education Committee is proud to announce the initial release of SAR University. SAR University is the location for all Compatriot and Officer training materials and is accessible by logging into www/sar.org and simply clicking on SAR University in the blue toolbar at the top of the home page. Please free to begin using this training resource and know that we have many plans for its evolution.

Note: Currently, you will be required to print and keep a copy of your completed training certificates as proof of your course completion.

Induction of New Member

George Gayle was born and raised in Houston and is a sixth generation Texan. He has lived in the Fulshear area for 22 years. His mother was a member of the D.A.R. and his grandfather was a member of the S.A.R. George is active in the real estate business.

George has four Patriot Ancestors. His primary Patriot is William Buckner on his father's side. William was a Captain in the Virginia Navy. He commanded both land and naval services.

Supplemental Patriots are John Sutherland, also on his father's side, John Colley, and Charles Word, Jr. on his mother's side. Charles Word, Jr. fought and died in the Battle of King's Mountain.

Editor's Note:
My 4th Great-Grandfather was John Word who was Charles Word's brother. That makes us 6th cousins.

Welcome cousin.



L – R President Alex Thorne, George Gale, and Tom Jackson

Battles of Lexington and Concord

April 19th marks the initial skirmishes between British regulars and American provincials marking the beginning of the American Revolution.

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

Robert Rankin plans for Liberty Tree Dedication

Robert Rankin Chapter of the SAR has embarked on a project to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the founding of our country when the "Declaration of Independence" was announced in 1776.

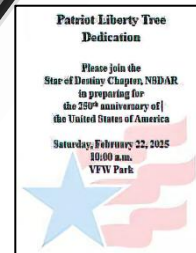
The first of several commemorating goals with our partner, Glenwood Cemetery, involves planting a Liberty Tree, honoring the famous tree in Boston Common under which the patriots met during the early years of the British occupation. It was felled by Loyalists in August of 1775. The deciduous tree we selected goes by the name of swamp maple or Drummond Maple, having three color changes, about 12 feet tall a 30-gallon bucket. It will be delivered by the tree farm and installed this fall by the Cemetery in section G4.

A granite plaque will be installed nearby with appropriate copy.

Another goal is to install a bench with a base, designed for people to sit and admire the serenity in the same G4 area. Etched copy will call out SAR principles and commemoration of the 250th anniversary.

Please save the date of April 11, 2026, at 10am at Glenwood cemetery, section G4, for the ceremony and commemoration of our nation's founding presented by our chapter.

Presented by Compatriot Fred Jackson



The Star of Destiny Chapter DAR

On Saturday, February 22nd, members of the Star of Destiny Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution met to host A Patriot Liberty Tree Dedication. This event was to begin their commemoration of our nation's 250th Birthday, culminating with celebrations on July 4, 2026.

Members of the Robert Rankin Color Guard were asked to present the colors. Presenting Rankin Color Guard colors were Commander Ralph Reed and Past Texas Society President Tom Jackson.

After the ceremony, a Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Laurel Cull and the Star of Destiny Chapter. A Flag Certificate was also presented. ed to the chapter.