



The Texas Compatriot

*Texas Society
Sons of the American Revolution*



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TXSSAR President
James T. Jones, Jr.

President's Message: Thanks to George Harcourt, George Finch, and the Host Chapter, we had a successful Summer BOM. Attendance was good even though many of our regulars were unable to attend. We were fortunate to have "George Washington" deliver a very thought provoking message. Again, thanks to George, George and George.

One of our SAR goals is to foster patriotism, which is accomplished in many ways. I will highlight three in this message. We recognize organizations and individuals who properly fly the American Flag with a flag certificate. Only 22 of our 49 Chapters presented flag certificates in 2009. We can do better than that. I encourage every Chapter to present a flag certificate before October 31, 2010, and report your presentation to Public Service/Flag Sub-Committee Chair Arthur Munford at his email address goag-gies@suddenlink.net.

We foster patriotism through recognition for public service. We had a good record in 2009 of recognizing public service with the presentation of heroism, law enforcement, fire and EMS medals. If your chapter has not recognized public servants, now is the time to identify those deserving law enforcement, fire and EMS personnel. The Robert Rankin

Chapter is planning recognition of outstanding firefighters from TXSSAR Districts 7 and 8 during the Fall BOM which corresponds with Fire Prevention Month. Send your Law Enforcement Report to Arthur Munford at the above email address.

Supporting our veterans is a SAR goal but also a personal satisfying goal for most of us. Many Texas Compatriots and Chapters have very active Veterans programs. The General William C. Westmorland Award as the outstanding SAR Veteran volunteer for service to Veterans in 2009 was awarded to William H. Nelms of the Hill Country Chapter. Congratulations Compatriot Nelms, you are most deserving of this award. The Ambassador Fletcher Warren, Hill Country and San Antonio Chapters received the Partners in Patriotism certificates for working with a veteran's group in pursuit of a common goal during 2009. The Dallas Chapter won the USS Stark Memorial Award for the best record of service to veterans during 2009. A substantial number of Texas Compatriots visit Veterans during the year and participate in veterans activities, but only 14 of our 49 chapters completed a Veterans report. Keep a record of your veteran's activities and complete a Veterans report. If you need help with the report, contact John Greer at johnlgreer@juno.com.

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Upcoming Events

Fall Leadership—Louisville, KY
23—25 September 2010

TXSSAR BOM—Houston
30—31 Oct 2010

George Washington Parade—Laredo
19 February 2011

TXSSAR Annual Convention—Dallas
25—27 March 2011

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Rockwall - In blazing heat the Dallas area color guard turned out to honor a local fallen hero on the 20th July. Young Jerod Osborne, only 20, died while saving a fellow soldier by shielding him from an explosive. Old and young lined the streets to honor the young hero. The color guard formed at the entrance to the cemetery to salute Specialist Jerod. David Hall brought the liberty bell and rang it as the procession passed. The SAR tribute was televised locally. All chapters are encouraged to follow this example to honor our returning troops, either as their units return through the airports, or like this example as their friends and family remember their service and sacrifice.



Pictured above: Harry Reed, John Greer, Jim Johnson, and Drake Peddie

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Another of our SAR goals is education, and one of my 2010 goals is to increase the number of Youth and History Teacher participants. I am confident our Sub Committee Chairmen are working with chapters to increase the number of participants. We did not fair as well at National in 2009 as in the past, but that does not detract from the effort put forth by our Chapters, Sub Committee Chairs and members. Now is the time to make those contacts to identify this year's contest participants. Each of our first place Youth award winners (CAR Essay, Eagle Scout, Knight Essay, Oration, and JROTC Enhanced) will receive a \$1,500 scholarship and be invited to attend the State Convention in Dallas to be recognized. The History Teacher award winner will receive a Freedoms Foundation trip unless he/she places first at National and receives the trip. If he/she places first at National the award will be a \$1,500 US Savings bond.

Donations to the Patriot Fund and for Patriot Fund expenses are vital to the success of our Youth and History Teacher programs. Through June 2010 donations of \$6,000 have been received compared to \$11,000 through June 2009, so we have some work to do. Times are hard and many of you are struggling financially; however, those who are financially able, please consider a donation to the TXSSAR Patriot Fund. In addition, you can assist Charles Luna and his Patriot Fundraising committee by identifying and providing information on potential corporate donors.

We have increased the use of email to communicate State information to our members, so it is important for us to have current email addresses. Chapter officers aware of email address changes of chapter members should send changes to Bill Marrs (pres_elect@txssar.org) and Bob Cohen (sec@txssar.org).

There is a wealth of information on our web site, thanks to Ray Cox, so, make use of that source of information. Also thanks to Ray, the Texas Society received the President General Robert B. Vance Award for the State Society Internet web site which best represents the SAR, by providing the most useful information about activities and programs to our members and to the general public, using both a creative method of display and professional format. The Plano Chapter received the President General Robert B. Vance Award for the Chapter Internet web site.

At the National Congress in Cleveland, Ohio, the Texas Society received the President General's Activities Award for the State Society which shows evidence of the most complete practice of implementing SAR programs and resolutions. This award was earned by each member and chapter that participated in a youth program, presented a flag certificate, attended an SAR meeting, represented the SAR, recognized a public servant, participated in a color guard activity, visited a veteran, or donated money to the SAR.

Many of our members are very passionate about this years National and State elections. Many are involved in working with candidates and political parties, and you are encouraged to participate in the election process **as individuals**. The Sons of the American Revolution is a not for profit Section 501(c)(3) organization and is prohibited from participating in political activity. As an organization we can not become involved in politics. As individuals you can support political parties and candidates, **but you can not as a representative of the SAR**.

Thank you for your continued support of the Texas Society. Keep up the good work! God bless each of you.

NSSAR Improves Access to Record Copies of Older Applications

It was announced that the NSSAR will begin a project to digitize record copies of older applications and make them available through Ancestry.com. The Executive Director has announced that HQ will stop providing Record Copy service for older applications. There has been some discussion about when this service will be discontinued. Check the website for up to date details on this issue. Details of the project are given below.

- According to the agreement with Ancestry.com, all microfilm rolls of membership applications will be scanned, indexed, and made available to individuals who purchase a membership to Ancestry.com.
- The dates of the applications on microfilm start from the beginning (1889) of the organization and extend through 1996 (national numbers 1 through 146101). This will affect Record Copy requests for applications prior to the issuance of national number 48800. Applications in this range are very brittle; therefore, they will not be manually scanned or photocopied.
- Ancestry.com has agreed to post only those applications older than December 31, 1970. Ancestry.com will adjust that date as members are reported deceased. National numbers issued after 146101 will be scanned, indexed, and made available at a later date on the Internet.
- The microfilm rolls will be returned to the headquarters when the project is completed.

TXSSAR—BOM—Austin, Texas—31 July—1 August, 2010

The Summer Board of Management meeting was hosted by the Patrick Henry chapter of Austin and the Alexander Hamilton chapter of Georgetown. Much was accomplished during the meeting and many regular attendees were missed. Our dinner speaker was Mark Collins of San Antonio.

The following are some proposals and information discussed at the Summer Board of Management meeting in Austin July 31st and August 1st. The Meeting Minutes and Officer Reports will be posted on the TXSSAR Private Web Page.

NSSAR has requested each chapter make a donation of \$500 for the Center for Advancing American Heritage.

Bill Marrs presented a recommendation to amend the TXSSAR constitution providing for Emeritus Memberships. The recommendation was approved and referred to the Bylaws Committee.

Bob Cohen, TXSSAR Secretary said New Annual Report and Americanism Award forms are coming and will be posted on the web site.

Russell Dart, Awards and Medals Committee, reported that a new standardized permission form is needed for participants in the SAR Youth and American History Teacher Contest. The motion was approved.

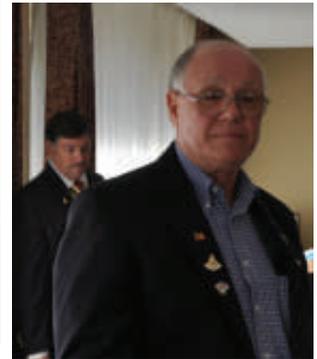
The Patriot Fund Trustees increased the 2011 Projects budget to provide a Freedom Foundation trip for the winner of the History Teacher Contest.

Larry Stevens TXSSAR Historian reported the Archives and History Committee will produce a Yearbook for 2010-11 term. The Yearbook will document activities of TXSSAR in bios, chapter histories and pictures. It will include information on TXSSAR officers at chapter and state level, as well as information on those serving as National Officers and Trustees. It will be archived in the SAR Archives in Denton. A information collection form will be included in the on-line edition of this newsletter and will be mailed to chapter presidents.

A proposal to form a Texas Society Color Guard Chapter was presented and discussed. There was no resolution.

Reminders:

- Patriot medal nominations needed by before the Fall BOM
- Color Guard Wall of Honor nominees should be sent to the Color guard Commander



Photos from the meeting: above left: Members of the host chapter man the registration table; above right: Steven Lee, Chairman Council of Chapter Presidents with Mike Everheart who lead a discussion on getting and retaining members.

Below the Former State Presidents Committee meets. Pictured l-r Jim Heath, Tom Green, Harry Fife and Bob Coker.



Pictured above: L-R: George Harcourt, William Marrs, Don Pugh, Allan Henshaw, Tom Jackson, Bob Cohen, Ray Cox, Bob Clark, Peter McLellan, David Temple.



President Jones presents the HSS Stark Memorial Award to David Temple of the Dallas Chapter.



President Jones presents Hill County Chapter and San Antonio Chapter Partners in Patriotism Certificates. Accepting are Gerald Irion and Peter Baron.



Above Drake Peddie accepts the President General Robert K Vance Award for the Plano Chapter.

Pictured at right: Gerald Irion accepts the General William Westmorland Award for Hill County Chapter member William Nelms. The award is given for service to Veterans. Compatriot Nelms has an outstanding record. His service to veterans is amazing. President-Elect Marris presented the award to Mr. Nelms at the September Hill Country Chapter meeting in Kerrville.

Austin BOM



Awards were presented to individuals who did not attend the National Congress in Cleveland. Pictured above: Bob Clark accepting for J D Gulley [CAAH], Tom Green accepting two Liberty Medal Clusters for Daniel Stauffer, Gerald Irion received 2 Liberty Medal clusters, Mike Radcliff accepting Liberty Medal for Delbert Taylor and Mike Everheart received 2 Liberty Medal clusters.



Pictured at right, President James Jones presented Compatriot Joseph W. Dooley the Texas Silver Service Medal. Joe took the initiative with the concurrence of the required committees and officers, to recast the Galvez Medal. He personally financed the recasting and establishing a new inventory.



Pictured above, John P. Gulley, Jr., Bernardo de Galvez Chapter is recognized for donations to Center for Advancing America's Heritage Capital Campaign .



Bronze Good Citizenship Medals were presented to the following compatriots: Harry Dan Reed [Plano/Denton Chapters], Drake M. Peddie [Plano Chapter], President Jones, James J. Johnson, Jr. [Denton/Plano Chapters] and John L. Greer [Amb Fletcher Warren Chapter] Not present but also receiving award: Charles W. Sprague [Plano Chapter], Robert M. Flagg, III [Plano/Denton Chapters.]



Above General Washington [Mark Collins] inspects the firearm of Compatriot Peter Baron of the San Antonio Chapter as Harmon Adair looks on in the doorway.



Patrick Henry Chapter President George Finch presented Mark Collins [General George Washington] with an award in appreciation for his address at the Saturday evening banquet.

Austin BOM - Color Guard



Color Guard at the Austin BOM—Standing L-R: Mike Radcliff, Peter Baron, John Thompson, Harmon Adair, George Finch, Jim Heath, Mike Everheart, adjutant Gen Washington, Mark Collins, Jim Raines, Tom Green, Steve Tanner, Harry Reed, Joe Dooley, Frank Seidule, Tom Copeland. Kneeling: Wendell Edwards, Ray Cox, Pat Kerr, Ron Barker, Tom Jackson, Drake Peddie, Larry Stevens. Not pictured but participating: Marvin Morgan and Jim Mitchell

TXSSAR Members & Wives - Cleveland



Standing l-r: Mike Radcliff, Harry Fife, Wm Marrs, Henry McCarl, Ron and Conni Barker, Tom Green, Jack & Shelia Manning, Barbara & Larry Stevens, Nathan White, former NSSAR President, Harmon Adair, Joe Dooley; Seated l-r: Susanne Fife, Sylvia Mars, James T. Jones TXSSAR President and wife Dianne, Judge Ed Butler, NSSAR President and his wife Robin and her mother, Diana, Wanda White, Judy & George West. Arriving too late for photo Judge Tom and Mickey Jo Lawrence.

NSSAR Annual Congress— Cleveland

Cleveland: The thirty-two TXSSAR compatriots attending the congress in Cleveland saw the transition from NSSAR President General Edward F. Butler, a Texan to new NSSAR President David Sympson. First Lady Robin hosted the ladies in their suite on Sunday afternoon following the memorial service at the Old Stone Church (est. 1820).

The TXSSAR President Jim Jones and Dianne organized a Texas Dinner at the Hard Rock Café nearby and the Texas contingent had a wonderful evening .



Texas Color Guard at Old Stone Church: Back: Harmon Adair, Mike Radcliff, Jim Taylor, Tom Green, Larry Stevens Front: President General Ed Butler, TXSSAR President James T. Jones and Genealogist General Joe Dooley



Conni and Ron Barker, Anna Lee, Nathan and Wanda White, Edward Butler, Joe Dooley and Steven Lee



Mike and Carol Radcliff, Susanne Fife, Sylvia Marrs and Judy West



Judge Tom Lawrence, 2009-10 TXSSAR President, was elected Chancellor General at Cleveland . It is his responsibility to provide legal advice to the national organization during this term. *Pictured left.*



Some of the Texas ladies at First Lady Robin's Tea Dianne Jones, First Lady Robin, Barbara Stevens, Judy West and Susanne Fife

Pictured right: TXSSAR President Jim Jones and Harmon Adair pose with the TXSSAR poster entry which took second place in the national competition.



Public Service Awards: There were many awards and medals given during the meeting. These will be listed in a Compatriot supplement at the end of the year. BUT, there is a recognition that TXSSAR chapters are encouraged to seek. That is giving all four of the Public Service and Heroism Awards. Of the 12 chapters nationally recognized, Texas had 5 of these. They were the following: Amb Fletcher Warren, Dallas, Mesquite, PineyWoods and Plano. The Florida Society had 4 chapters recognized.

South Central District Meeting—Little Rock, Arkansas

Little Rock: The South Central District [SCD] Meeting was held on 20th and 21st of August 2010 in Little Rock, Arkansas. TXSSAR Past President Harry Fife presided as VP General of the SCD. Attending the Meeting from Texas were Harry and Susan Fife, TXSSAR President James Jones and Dianne, William Marrs, Bob Clark, Jim Mitchell and Larry and Barbara Stevens. This meeting serves as a forum for attendees to meet and hear presentations from candidates for national office. The members then provide SCD en-



dorsements for office by election. In the contested races Joe Dooley was endorsed for Treasurer General and Larry Cornwell was endorsed for Genealogist General. Jim Mitchell and Larry Stevens participated in color guard.

Lake Jackson: Lake Jackson Past President Garvin Germany was honored at the August 12th meeting. TXSSAR President James T. Jones presented Mr. Germany with the Alexander Hamilton pin and certificate. Garvin had retired as chapter president due to health reasons, so President Jones also presented him with his past president's pin. It is with a heavy heart that we report that Compatriot Germany passed away on the 21st of August not long after this ceremony. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.

Pictured at right: Standing - Mike Rees, Bob Slagle, Arnold Seidule, Bill Greenwood, Russell Dart, President James T. Jones, and Don Pugh; seated Joyce and Garvin Germany



Dallas: This spring, TXSSAR President James T. Jones, Jr, installed David Hall as a new member of the Dallas Chapter. Most SAR members will remember David as the owner of the world's only traveling replica of the Liberty Bell. He can be seen at patriotic events around the state with his wife and the bell. He attended the George Washington Parade and Bridge Ceremony in Laredo in February, several other parades, and the funeral of Specialist Jerod Osborne in Rockwall.





Longview: East Texas Chapter members Ray Jackson (left) and 1st Vice President John Bolton with the chapter's JROTC Medal and Certificate recipient Tristan Thompson at the annual ROTC awards presentation. Tristan received a \$100 scholarship check from the East Texas Chapter of Longview.



Kingwood: Compatriot Larry Blackburn of the PineyWoods chapter presents Cadet Lt Col Mariah Dawkins with the Bronze JROTC Medal and Certificate. Also pictured CMSGT Pollard, US Air Force.



Hill County Chapter: Cadets in the photo are (Left) Cadet 2nd Lt Jason Armstrong, winner of the JROTC Medal and (middle) Cadet 1st Lt Brooke Bailey, winner of second place in the Enhanced JROTC competition. On the right is Joe Benham, Chaplain and Past President of the chapter.



Hill County Chapter: The chapter awarded a Good Citizenship Medal for outstanding community work to Betsy Miranda, a graduate of Greystone Academy.



Galveston: The Bernardo de Galvez chapter awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate to Constable Tiffany Atkins. Pictured at Right; Constable Atkins with chapter President Pete Lenex





Tyler: Compatriots Tom Copeland and Mike Everheart (pictured above) gave presentations on Lexington, Concord, and Bunker Hill. at the Regents Academy in Nacogdoches.



Fort Worth: Members of the Major K. M. Van Zandt Chapter participated in The Woodhaven 2010 4th of July Parade. Pictured right in the float are Compatriots Don Goodman, Russell Levens, James Alderman, Gerry Gieger, Birgil Ellis and Raymond Leftwich.

Plano: Plano Chapter President Drake Peddie was the guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Matthew Bolton Chapter of the Children of the American Revolution. Compatriot Peddie's presentation was "Privateers: Pirates or Patriots". After the presentation he posed for pictures with members of the Matthew Bolton Chapter. Julie Avedikian (back row right) is the Senior President of the Chapter. Pictured below

Athens: The Athens Chapter presented the SAR Flag Certificate to the Clements Scout Ranch recently in recognition of Flag Day. Charles Luna, chapter flag chairman and SAR Texas Society Eagle Scout Chairman, presented it to camp director Scott Arrington.



The TXSSAR Americanism Committee is pleased to announce the topic for the 2010-2011 Americanism Poster Contest. The contest is for grade school students who are currently studying the American Revolution, generally 5th grade in the Texas school system. Public, private and home schooled children are eligible.



The topic for this year is The Battle of Cowpens.



Conroe: Newest member of the Freedom Chapter in Conroe, Joe Schurman, marched in the 4th of July Parade with his son Davis Schurman (pictured left).

Young Davis was eager to join the Color Guard. Before long can we expect him to be marching along with Ray Cox? Just imagine many drummers were the age of young Davis.



Pictured at right: Jim Mitchell, Mike Everheart and Tom Green at the Region 7 Teacher's Conference in Kilgore. Tom presented his wonderful flag presentation to the group.



Ft. Sam Houston: The San Antonio chapter participated July 4th at the National Cemetery. Sixteen Patriotic Organizations placed wreaths and had a formal program saluting our Nation's Founders and all service members who died in service to their country. President Peter Baron with Compatriot Campbell Baron carried the Chapter Wreath while Compatriots Frank Rohrbough and Phillips Huck carried the SAR Banner. A Musket Detail, including Compatriots, Stephen Rohrbough and Jay Lewallen fired their muskets during the Roll Call of the 13 Colonies. (see photo left).



Battle of Medina: Several TXSSAR Compatriots joined Tom Green and the SRT at the annual ceremony honoring the patriots who died at the Battle of Medina in 1813. Rev War patriot Peter Sides is one of the men honored.

Pictured left: Steven Tanner and Jim Raines.



Tyler: Captain William Barron Chapter 2nd Vice President Matthew Lee and Longview Chapter President, John Bolton, welcome Texas Governor Rick Perry in Tyler. The Color Guard presented the colors at an event attended by Gov. Perry



Delway, NC: Compatriot James Alderman participated in the marking of his patriot ancestor grave in Delway, NC on the 26th June. He was joined by members of the NCSAR Color Guard, DAR, CAR and Colonial Dames. The event was attended by approximately 50 family members and other guests.

Left: attendees of ceremony [Ex, *Chisom Trail Newsletter*]

Texarkana: On July 18th TXSSAR Color Guardsmen Mike Radcliff, Bob Northcraft, Mike Everheart, Tom Copeland and David Hall joined a delegation from ARSSAR to honor US Army Cpl Andy Burnett. Cpl Burnett was wounded in a fire fight in Afghanistan.

He was presented with A Wounded Warrior Medal, A Proclaim Liberty Medal, a Good Citizenship Medal and a War Service Medal. David Hall brought the traveling Liberty Bell to honor him.

Pictured near left the combined color guards with Bob Northcraft, Mike Everheart and Tom Copeland back row l-r and kneeling David Hall left, Mike Radcliff, right. Far left Bob Northcraft with Cpl Burnett.



Nacogdoches: *Pictured Below:* SAR Color Guard members from around Texas attended a grave marking dedication for Patriot William Sparks. William Sparks served in the North Carolina Militia under Capt. John Cleveland and later under Colonel Benjamin Cleveland. Fighting Cherokee Indians and Tories when he was just 17 years old. Sparks was born in Rowan County, North Carolina.



The annual Memorial Day Ceremony was held in the State Cemetery in Austin and was sponsored by the Patrick Henry Chapter, TXSSAR and The Thankful Hubbard Chapter, TXDAR. They were joined by the other DAR chapters in the Capital area as well as four other SAR chapters from Georgetown, New Braunfels, San Antonio and Katy. Austin Mayor Lee Leffingwell was the keynote speaker.



(L to R) John Knox, Marvin Morgan, Harlan Green, David Kirkland, Chuck Baker (with Drum), Patrick Reinhart, Greg Morgan, Paul Sweland, Steven Tanner, Frank Rohrbough, Jack Baker, Chris Baker and Kevin Miller. Also in attendance in uniform, but not shown were Fred Gordon, George Finch and Ray Merrill.



Dallas: April 17 Meeting: Front: Bob Clark, Laurie Crapo, Bob Spence and Art Ingalls Back: Jim Templin, Ralph McDowell, Harmon Adair, Tom Smith, Charles Windam, Charles Baker, President Jones, Tom Whitelock, David Temple, David Hall, Bob Northcraft and David Hill



Galveston: Bernardo de Galvez President Pete Lenex, left, and Pat Kerr, right, presenting Constable Jimmy Fullen the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate and the Certificate of Appreciation.



Kerrville: President Elect William Marrs presented Compatriot William H. Nelms the NSSAR General William Westmoreland Award at the September meeting of the Hill Country Chapter. Nelms was recognized by the national society for more than 13,000 hours of volunteer work at his local VA Medical Center. The 95-year-old is former soldier and veteran of World War II service in the Marine Corps. Nelms received a standing ovation from the capacity crowd.

Denton: Installation of Denton chapter officers was conducted by Peter Rowley-VP District 11. Pictured l-r: Dan Reed-President, Jim Johnson-VP Programs, Dennis Martin-Secretary, David Myers-Treasurer, Christopher Strauss—Genealogist/Registrar, and Doug Newcomer-Chaplain



Crosby: PineyWoods 2nd Vice President John Beard awarded the Bronze JROTC Medal and Certificate to 1st Lieutenant Zackary Thomas of Crosby High School Army JROTC.



Surfside: TXSSAR President Jim Jones attended the September meeting of the Cradle of Texas Chapter. Three generations of the Stockton family were installed as new members at this meeting. Pictured above is chapter president Russell Dart (l), Jim Jones, John Stockton, Davis Stockton and Cannon Stockton with their sponsor Bill Sanders.



Galveston: On July 23,2010, the Galveston Fire Department Honor Guard raised the Honor Flag and brought it to half staff at the Vietnam Memorial at the Moody Gardens Hotel. Pictured at left: David Guidry, GFD Fire Department Honor Guard and George Dersheimer, Bernardo de Galvez Chapter,

Recruit New Members! TXSSAR Needs Your Help.



Dallas: The Dallas Chapter joined the Old Worn Flags to offer a flag retirement ceremony on Flag Day. Dallas chapter members speaking at the event were Tom Whitelock, Frank Pounders and Robert Duckworth. The ceremony was dedicated to the memory of Grady Fairbairn (portrait on table). The traveling Liberty Bell was also taken to the event.

Pictured left: Tom Whitelock, Jeanette Prasifka [Founder of Old Worn Flags], Robert Duckworth and Frank Pounders of the Dallas Chapter



**TXSSAR 2010 Fall
Board of Managers Meeting
Houston, Texas**
Hosted by Robert Rankin Chapter
Saturday October 30 and Sunday October 31, 2010



See Events Tab of the TXSSAR Website for Registration Form

October BOM—Ladies Indication of Interest in Activities —

Please note which activities you would like to participate:

Activity:	Yes	No
Tour of Forbidden Gardens, Cost is \$10 per person, (\$5 for seniors over 60) and takes 2 ½ hours, including travel time; transportation can be provided		
Tour of Hogg Mansion; Cost is \$10 per person (\$8.50 for seniors over 65) and takes 3 hours including travel time; transportation can be provided		
Shopping at Memorial City Mall		
Shopping at Galleria		
Do you need transportation provided?		
Other interest? Please email Ed & Gail Raines at ERAINES@HISCOMSVC.COM		

Questions: please email Ed & Gail Raines at ERAINES@HISCOMSVC.COM

Note from your State Historian:

The State Archives and History Committee will prepare a state yearbook to document the activities and achievements of the Texas state society at the chapter, state and national level. To accomplish this we need input from the chapters and officers. Forms have been prepared to facilitate this collection of data. These are included in the next two pages of this newsletter and will be placed on the TXSSAR website. Please assist in this effort by completing this information and providing it by January 15th of 2011. An outline of the proposed yearbook is given below:

TXSSAR 2010-2011 ANNUAL

State Organization

- General Officers – Photo
 - Short paragraph – Biography of officer and activities of the office
- District VPs – Biography & Photo with a short article on the regional activities

National Organization Officers from TXSSAR

- South Central District Officers – Biography & Photo
- South Central District Activities of TXSSAR members
- National Officers – Short Biography & Photos

National Activities of TXSSAR members

Chapter Activities

- One chapter photo – either chapter officers or entire chapter 4x6” digital – with names and offices
- Two paragraphs detailing key chapter activities for this period.
- Two or three photos of chapter activities – 4x6” digital

State Activities

- Annual Meeting
- Summer BOM
- Fall BOM
- TXSSAR President Year in Review
 - Chapter visits
 - Parades and other events attended

Membership

- New Members and Patriot Ancestors
- Deceased Members

Awards – 2010 - 2011

- State Level
- National Level

State Newsletters

National & State Officers – Biographical Information Sheet			
Full Name:			
Primary Chapter			
Biographical Information			
Birth date		Birthplace	
Education			
Profession			
Family			
2010-2011 Offices Held			
National Level			
State Level			
Attach a photo. <i>Please send only a head or torso shot, do not send full length photos.</i>			

Chapter Information Sheet			
Name of Chapter		#	
Chapter City			
Officer Information			
Office	Committee Chairs		
President			
1 st Vice President			
2 nd Vice President			
3 rd Vice President			
Treasurer			
Secretary			
Chaplain			
Genealogist			
Registrar			
Chancellor			
Sgt at Arms			
Key Chapter Activities			
Provide 300 words or less paragraph on chapter activities this term			
Attach a photo. <i>Attach a photo of the chapter members or chapter officers. Please also include the names of everyone in the photo</i>			

Please return your completed forms to Larry Stevens, TXSSAR State Historian. An e-mail with the form information is preferred to a hard copy. The forms will be posted on the TXSSAR website. If you wish a copy e-mailed to you please contact at wardtracker@aol.com. To mail the forms:

Larry Stevens, Historian
 1706 Chestnut Grove Lane
 Kingwood, TX 77345

From the Editor: It's been a busy summer. We drove to Cleveland Ohio for the National Congress stopping along the way to search for ancestors. And, we had some success.

We attended our state BOM on July 31st and August 1st in Austin.

Then, we traveled to the South Central District meeting in Little Rock. I like to observe, participate, and photograph events at the same time.

I enjoy these meetings, I like working on the committees, and especially enjoy the company of our SAR friends.

This year, as your State Historian, I will be collecting information forms and photos from chapters, state and national officers for a 2010-11TXSSAR Yearbook. The Yearbook will document our activities during this term and will be placed in the TXSSAR Archives in Denton. The forms will be available on the Texas Web Site and will be mailed to chapter presidents. Please return the forms ASAP in be certain the information is included.

Circulation of this newsletter to all mem-

bers is important. Please provide e-mail address to our State Sec. Bob Cohen. If a member does not have e-mail, please send their address to Bob so a copy can be mailed.

Continue to send me your chapter activities with stories and pictures.

Larry Stevens

CONTRIBUTE INFORMATION TO THE COMPATRIOT

Deadlines for submission

WINTER: Jan 15, 2011

SPRING: April 15, 2011

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PATRIOTS FUND

Compatriots are reminded that donations to the Patriots Fund in any amount are always welcome and are tax deductible as allowed for at 501(c)(3) organization. Remember that this fund supports all of our youth programs and contests. This includes the following: Knight Essay, Poster, CAR Essay, Eagle Scout, Oration, Junior ROTC and the American History Teacher Awards.

Individuals who give \$500 to the Patriots Fund receive the Alexander Hamilton lapel pin. Individuals donating \$1,000 will earn the Alexander Hamilton Medal. Recognition will be given at the Annual Meeting in March.

There is a new form for the submission of Patriot Fund Donations. It can be found at the following location on the web: www.txssar.org/Donations.pdf

Please send your contributions, the completed with checks made out to "TXSSAR Patriot Fund".

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