

Texas SAR

Sons of the American Revolution Patriotism, Education, History

Texas SAR Committees 2023 - 2024

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Art. V. - The President shall be a member of all committees.

Art. VI. - The President-elect shall be an ex-officio member of all Standing and Special Committees.

Appointments

Robert Cohen

Special Liaison to the DAR

Ray Cox

Webmaster

John Anderson

Assistant Webmaster

Tom Jackson

Texas SAR Liaison to the GWEF

David Temple

Texas SAR Liaison to the CAAH

Blair Rudy

State Compliance Officer

Peter Baron

Chairman Veterans OAS Program

[**John Beard**](#)

Advisor to the State President

[**Ed Butler**](#)

Advisor to the State President

[**Robert Cohen**](#)

Advisor to the State President

[**Tom Jackson**](#)

Advisor to the State President

[**Tom Lawrence**](#)

Advisor to the State President

[**Drake Peddie**](#)

Advisor to the State President

[**Mike Radcliff**](#)

Advisor to the State President

[**Steven Rohrbough**](#)

Advisor to the State President

[**Larry Stevens**](#)

Advisor to the State President

[**Nathan E. White Jr.**](#)

Advisor to the State President

Americanism Contests, Medals, & Awards

The Americanism, Contests, Medals, and Awards Committee is composed of as many sub-committees as deemed necessary by the BOM to conduct the Awards Program and Youth Contests of the Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution. Sub-Committee Chairmen conduct and administer the Awards and Youth Programs including Orations, Knight Essay, Eagle Scout, JROTC/ROTC, Poster, CAR Essay, and History Teacher Contests. Other Sub-Committee Chairmen include Chapter Annual Reports, Public Service and Law Enforcement, Color Guard, Yearbook, Newsletter, CAR Activities, CAR Liaison, and CAR Award Programs.

[**Mark Harrison**](#)

Vice President ACMA

[**Mark Harrison**](#)

Chairman

[**Gary Barker**](#)

Vice Chairman

John Anderson

Robert Cohen

Ray Cox

K.B Hallmark III

T.L Holden

Arthur Munford

Mike Radcliff

Frank Rohrbough

Bud Schwart

William E. Sekel, Jr

Joseph Sogan
James Taylor
John Thompson
Bill Whatley

Annual Report Sub-Committee

Bill Adriance

Chairman

Awards Sub-Committee

Mark Harrison

Chairman

Gary Barker

Vice-Chairman

Shiidon Hawley

Color Guard

Joe Sogan

C.A.R.

Ron Turner

Newsletter

Frank Rohrbough

Veterans

Ray Cox

Web Site

John Greer

Public Service and Flag Reporting

Reports Sub-Committee

Mark Harrison

Chairman

Brochure Sub-Committee

Wayne Courreges

Chairman

Bill Sekel

Vice-Chairman

William Covington

Stephen Metts

Robert M. Renshaw

Greg Thorne

C.A.R. Essay Sub-Committee

Joe Sogan

Chairman

Joe Sogan

Senior SAR Representative
William Covington
Stephen Metts
Robert M. Renshaw
Greg Thorne

Eagle Scout Sub-Committee

The Texas SAR Eagle Scout committee implements programs to promote the shared bond between SAR and the Boy Scouts of America. Scouts achieving the rank of Eagle Scout have demonstrated their belief in our common principles. This is done through two programs recognition certificates & scholarships. Scout troop adult leadership submit applications to the committee for SAR Eagle Scout Recognition Certificate of the new eagle scouts. The committee also manages the competition for the annual Eagle Scout scholarship.

David Scott

Chairman
Tony Day
Donald L. Lefeber
Samuel Massey, Jr.
David R. Meyers
Richard N. Neal
Charles Steele
Brandon Tanner
Greg Thorne
Ron Walcik
Bill Whatley

History Teacher Sub-Committee

Kermit Breed

Chairman
T. Scott Atkinson
Robert M. Banks, Jr
Joe Dooley
Nicholas Gilliam
Charles McFarland
Lloyd Perkins
Andrew Schaffer

Knight Essay Sub-Committee

David Peavy

Chairman
Ron Walcik
Vice Chairman
Joe Davidson
Emory Guest

John 'Pete' Lenes
Dave McLeod
Art Munford
Paul Reynolds
Bill Whatley
Ronald Whatley

Oration Sub-Committee

Larry Luby

Chairman

James Owsley

Vice Chairman

John Anderson

Robert S. Cohen

Jason Gray

Will Moravits

Ben Pollard

Poster Contest Sub-Committee

Wayne Courreges

Chairman

Bill Sekel

Vice Chairman

Chairman will chose from participating chapters

Public Service/Flag Sub-Committee

John Greer

Chairman

Michael Anderson

Gary Barker

Hugh Ferguson

Tom Van Fossen

Gerry Gieger

Jack Haughton

Ron Powell

Paul Ridenour

Larry Spradlin

Richard Zdunkewicz

ROTC Sub-Committee

Jack Haughton

Chairman

Tom Carswell

Harold Davenport

Art Munford
Ron Walcik

4-H Sub-Committee

Bob Cohen

Chairman

Video Sub-Committee

Richard Zdunkewicz

Chairman

250th American Anniversary Committee

The mission of the Texas SAR 250th USA Anniversary Committee is to encourage, create, coordinate, and publish chapter events/celebrations, state, and national opportunities for members and citizens to remember, reflect, recognize, celebrate, and promote significant historic events that contributed to our nation's founding. All Texas SAR state committees, officers, and chapters are encouraged to incorporate these into their regular activities and we encourage all Chapters to assign an officer or committee chair position to focus the membership on these activities.

Sam Massey

Chairman

Peter Baron

Recognition Subcommittee Chair

Tom Jackson

Programs & Events Subcommittee Chair

James Alderman

Mark M. Ellison

Allan Henshaw

Kevin Kanter

David Kinsey

Mel Oller

Ed Sellards

Larry Stevens

Tom Van Fossen

Ron Walcik

Roger Williams

Ted Wilson

Archives/History/Yearbook

The mission of the Texas SAR Archives/History/Yearbook Committee is to acquire and preserve significant historical documents, photographs, recorded membership participations, and the securing of donations of artifacts and memorabilia in Texas Society SAR State & Chapter activities. Depending on the artifact, preservation may include periodic donations to the archive collection and/or postings under the Texas SAR public website History information. All Texas SAR Past Historians are encouraged to continue their committee membership and we encourage all Chapters to assign a "Historian" officer position and

encourage their membership within this committee. The Texas SAR Historian shall be a contributor in all activities.

[John Anderson](#)

Chairman
Mickey Cole
Billy Mayo
Tom Whitelock
Clark Wright

Archives Sub-Committee

The mission of the History & Archives sub committee is to manage the Archives Collection, its usage, and growth, plus the research, gathering and periodic publication of the Texas SAR History volumes.

[John Anderson](#)

Chairman

[Roger Wehr](#)

History Vol III

[Kermit Breed, Ted Wilson](#)

Editor

[Jason Bourgeois](#)

Archives

[Ray Cox, Brent Harshman, Carl Wiggins, Rodney Young](#)

Archivist

Notable Texas Compatriots Sub-Committee

The Notable Histories Sub-Committee mission is focused on the research, gathering, and contributing of information found on the Texas SAR public History webpages. Members will research, organize, and present in meaningful ways historical items and lists for posting to the Texas SAR public website under the History Information tab.

[John Greer](#)

Chairman

Patriot/Compatriot Graves Sub-Committee

The Patriot/Compatriot Graves Sub-Committee mission is focused on the research, gathering, and contributing of information and ceremonies related to the interment of American Revolutionary Patriots and Texas SAR Compatriots. Each local chapter is encouraged to assist.

[David Hamaker](#)

Co-Chairman

[Bill Watts](#)

Co-Chairman

One member from each chapter as committee members.

Yearbook Sub-Committee

The Yearbooks Sub-Committee mission is focused on the gathering and judging of Chapter Yearbooks and providing the winners list by chapter size category to the Americanism Committee.

[Don Hayes](#)

Chairman

Audit

The Mission of the Audit Committee is to provide oversight of internal and external audits of all functions involving the finances of the Society in order to maintain adequate internal control over the Society's procedures and operations; make recommendations for the selection of external independent auditors; review the scope of audits; and review the findings of the external independent auditor.

[Jerry Pinkerton](#)

Chairman

James T. Jones, Jr.

Wayne Stewart

David Temple

Mark Worthen

By-laws and Resolutions

[Dustin Whittenberg](#)

Chairman

[Tracy Ponders](#)

Vice Chairman

W. Michael Bonesio

Allan Henshaw

Tom Lawrence

Lloyd Perkins

Todd M. Smith

Ron Walcik

Nathan White

C.A.R. Liaison

The Texas SAR C.A.R. Liaison Committee promotes and coordinates interactions with the Children of the American Revolution. The committee encourages participation in the SAR's youth contests and facilitates the C.A.R. essay scholarship contest. All SAR chapters and members are encouraged to interact with the C.A.R. Any and all interactions help to further the bond our two organizations have with our founding fathers and revolutionary ancestors, which can inspire future SAR membership.

[Joe Sogan](#)

Chairman

[Art Byram](#)

Vice Chairman

Cemetery Cenotaph

The purpose of this committee is to research, design, and fund the placement of a Texas Society SAR Cenotaph at the Texas State Cemetery in Austin Texas. This will be done on or before the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States of American on July 4, 2026.

[Richard Zdunkewicz](#)

Chairman
Jim Clements
Tom Jackson
Sam Massey

Color Guard

The Color Guard Mission is 1) To promote and participate in patriotic, historical, and educational events and activities, in the state of Texas or other locations as requested, while wearing U. S. Revolutionary War period clothing; 2) To convey a commitment to excellence when presenting the colors and the Flag of the United States in a respectful military manner at all Texas State Society SAR meetings and in our communities as visual spokespersons of the Texas Society.

[Shiidon Hawley](#)

Chairman

[Shiidon Hawley](#)

Commander

[Mel Oller](#)

State Adjutant

[Gary Barker](#)

Northern Commander

[Bill Sekel](#)

Northern Adjutant

[David Hamaker](#)

Southern Commander

[Blair Rudy](#)

Southern Adjutant

Northern Command Voting Members:

David Cook

Dan Hamilton

T. L. Holden

Bob Johns

David Kinsey

Jim Owsley

Drake Peddie

Ronald Turner

Tom Van Fossen

Ted Wilson

Southern Command Voting Members:

Jason Bourgeois

Wayne Courreges

Robert Duckworth

Mike Greco

Don Hayes

Frank Kebelman

Rick Ramirez

Ed Sellards

Charles Wagoner

Ronald J. Walcik

Committee Chairman Council

The Committee Chairman Council (CCC) consists of the current committee chairman of all the listed Texas SAR committees and councils. The mission of the CCC is to standardize how Texas SAR Committees are organized and managed. Additionally, the council will look for synergistic ideas and areas of commonality among the committees to make them more efficient and interesting to potential Texas SAR member participants.

[**Sam Massey**](#)

Chairman

[**Tracy Ponders**](#)

Chairman

Communications and IT

The mission of the Communications Committee is to facilitate information transfer from and to the membership.

[**Ray Cox**](#)

Chairman

[**John Anderson**](#)

Vice Chairman

Wayne Courreges

Allan Henshaw

Tom Jones

David Kinsey

Kris Krueger

Mark Morgan

Mel Oller

Drake Peddie

Bill Watts

Congress Exploratory

[**Tom Jackson**](#)

Chairman

[**Kevin Kanter**](#)

Vice Chairman

Peter Baron

David Kinsey

Sam Massey

David Temple

Richard Zdunkewicz

Council of Chapter Presidents

Our mission is to provide a forum for discussion and resolution of various issues from Chapter Presidents in such areas as operational information, community service, membership

recruitment/retention, engagement of membership, application of State/National rules/protocols, chapter financial management, and others that may be brought to our attention.

Tom Milson

Chairman

Tom Van Fossen

Vice Chairman

Richard Zdunkewicz

Secretary

Presidents, Presidents-elect, and immediate past Presidents of all chapters.

Credentials

Mel Oller

Chairman

David Kinsey

DAR Liaison

Robert Cohen

Chairman

Ed Butler

Vice Chairman

John Anderson

Bob Clark

Michael Goode

Don Hayes

Tom Jackson

Gary Lovell

Sam Massey

Gary Sisson

John Thompson

Ron Walcik

District VP

The purpose of the District Vice Presidents Committee is to develop, maintain, and enhance continuity of the mission of the Texas Society among and between the local Chapters. District Vice Presidents are committed to assisting local chapters in membership recruiting, activation, and retention. They are committed to assisting chapters in training and in developing their members.

Tracy Pounders

Chairman

vacant

Vice-Chairman

All District Vice Presidents.

Educational Outreach

The Education Committee Vision is to use Education Outreach to perpetuate knowledge of our founding documents and stories of patriotism, courage, sacrifice, tragedy, and triumph of the patriots who achieved the independence of the American people in the belief that these stories are universal ones of man's eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each succeeding generation as it too is called upon to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions. The committee will be an advisor for colonial era education projects and programs for both adults and students. The committee will serve as a forum for discussing state education programs and explore how to deal with boards of education or state offices that regulate education for elementary through high school.

Jason Chall

Chairman

Larry Stevens

Vice-Chairman

Jim Barkley

Peter Baron

Ray Beall

Ray Cox

Tom Jackson

Ralph Mutchler

Drake Peddie

Executive

The Executive Committee includes the following members: the President, Immediate Past President, President-Elect, State Secretary, Staff Secretary, Treasurer, Chancellor, the two Registrars (Coastal and Inland) and a Communication Secretary President. The Executive Committee acts as an advisor, assisting the President in his supervision of the business and affairs of the state society. The President may call a meeting of the Executive Committee at any time.

Sam Massey

Chairman

John Anderson (Hist. non-voting)

Ray Cox (CS)

Mark Harrison (VPCM&A non-voting)

Don Hayes (Tr)

Kevin Kanter (SS)

Jim Kuykendall (IPP)

Mel Oller (Sec)

Jerry Pinkerton (IR)

Tracy Pounders (PE)

Chuck Wagner (CR)

Dustin Whittenburg (Ch)

Fees and Dues

Mel Oller

Co-Chairman

Don Hayes

Co-Chairman

Jerry Brown (IR)

Mike Connelly (C,COCP)

Jack Muggli (CR)

David Kinsey

Finance

The mission of the Finance committee is to monitor, advise, and assist the Treasurer in the performance of his duties in accordance with the Texas SAR Constitution and Bylaws.

[Don Hayes](#)

Chairman

vacant

Vice Chairman

Tony Abbott

Don Hayes

James T. Jones, Jr.

David Temple

Genealogy

The Genealogy Committee serves as a resource to Texas SAR applicants and the individual Texas Chapters with respect to application preparation and genealogical research. The Committee also provides guidance on the interpretation of SAR Genealogy policies and suggests approaches to solving problems in proofs of lineage and service.

[Jerry Pinkerton](#)

Co-Chairman

[Chuck Wagner](#)

Co-Chairman

Harmon Adair

Peter Baron

Floyd Billings

Clarence Bohanan

Kermit Breed

Ed Butler

Michael Dunavant

Gerald Gieger

David Hamaker

T.L. Holden

John Meredith

Art Munford

Lonnie Oehmann

Robert M. Renshaw

Larry Stevens

Brandon Tanner

Legal, Ethics and Compliance

Dustin Whittenburg

Chairman

Tracy Ponders

Vice Chairman

Drake Peddie

Blair Rudy

Long Range Planning

The purpose of the Long Range Planning Committee is to develop, maintain, and update the strategic plans and direction of the Texas Society for the next three to five years.

Sam Massey

Chairman

Tracy Ponders

Vice Chairman

Dustin Whittenburg

Secretary

Bob Cohen

Tom Jackson

James T. Jones, Jr.

Drake Peddie

Nathan White

Newsletter

The Mission of the Newsletter Committee is to insure the history of the Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution, is reported and preserved in a timely manner in a publication named "The Texas Compatriot." It is a goal of this committee to publish at least four issues each year featuring member activities at the National, State, and Local Chapter level and to report on educational, public, and veteran activities, our Youth Programs, and those events honoring our public servants in each issue.

Articles and pictures appropriate for the SAR Magazine should be submitted to the Editor for publication of events that support NSSAR Programs and activities.

Ron Turner

Chairman

vacant

Vice Chairman

Pat Blackman

Bill Kinnison

Kris Krueger

John Loper

Bill Surles

Ted Wilson

Richard Zdunkewicz

Nominating

The mission of the Nominating Committee is to develop and then present to the membership the best slate of officers that will provide leadership for the Texas Society during the coming year. Membership on this committee is limited to one compatriot from each chapter, providing an equal voice to all chapters that make up the society.

Jim Kuykendall

Chairman

One member from each chapter as committee members.

Patriot Fundraising and Projects

The mission of the Patriots Fund Projects Committee is to generate and implement projects and undertakings in the furtherance of the stated purposes and objects of the Texas Society. These projects and undertakings will be underwritten by the "available funds" of the Patriots Fund.

David Temple

Chairman

John Greer

Allen Henshaw

Todd M. Smith

James Taylor

Ron Walcik

Thomas Waldrop

(All Texas SAR Youth Contest Chairmen)

Patriots Fund Trustees

There are 7 Trustees; one is the President, one is the Chancellor, and 5 are appointed. The said five members shall each serve for a period of five years in staggered terms with the term of one of the said members expiring at the end of each regular Annual Meeting. The Treasurer of the Texas Society shall serve as the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Patriots Fund and shall furnish periodic financial reports at the Board Meetings. Unless appointed, the Treasurer is not a Trustee.

David Temple

Chairman

Don Hayes

(non-voting, Treasurer)

T.L. Holden

(exp 2023)

Tracy Pounders

(chancellor)

Mike Radcliff

(exp 2024)

Larry Spradlin

(exp 2022)

Larry Stevens

(exp 2021)

Patriot Medal Selection

The mission of the Committee is to select one Compatriot or more, based upon members in good standing as of December 31, whose service is long, faithful, and outstanding at the chapter and/or state level.

[Drake Peddie](#)

Chairman

[Jim Kuykendall](#)

Vice Chairman

Peter Baron (D3)

Ron Carter (D5)

Wayne Courreges (D4)

Jim Jones (D8)

Ben Pollard (D2)

Larry Spradlin (D1)

David Temple (D6)

Tom Van Fossen (D6)

Ron Walcik (D4)

Nathan White (D11)

Perpetual Fund Trustees

[James T. Jones, Jr.](#)

(exp 2024)

Chairman

[Drake Peddie](#)

(exp 2025)

Vice Chairman

Don Hayes

(non voting member)

David A. Kinsey

(exp 2025)

Jim Kuykendall

(exp 2026)

Sam Massey

(exp 2027)

David Temple

(exp 2024)

Nathan White

(exp 2026)

State Meetings

The Mission of the State Meetings Committee is to assist the State Society and Chapters when hosting a State Congress or a Board of Management Meeting by providing pertinent attendance and hotel occupancy data about past meetings, monitoring the progress and assisting when necessary in meetings in progress or scheduled, and helping select future locations on a rolling two year interval. As an integral

part of the Executive Committee and the Long Range Planning Committee, the State Meetings Committee will keep these entities informed of current progress and the scheduling of future meetings.

Tony Abbott

Chairman

vacant

Vice-Chairman

vacant

Secretary

Larry Casey

Bob Cohen

Texas SAR State Presidents

David Temple

Chairman

Drake Peddie

Vice-Chairman

All Past State Presidents

Texas SAR Store

John Ray

Chairman

vacant

Vice-Chairman

John Anderson

Gary Barker

David Kinsey

Sam Massey

Dustin Whittenburg

Texas SAR Training

The mission and purpose of the Member Training Committee is to develop, secure, and disseminate training materials to the Chapters and Members that meet the needs of the Texas Society, and to establish and maintain a location on the Society's web site that is accessible to the Societies members seeking training materials.

Sam Massey

Chairman

Tracy Ponders

Vice-Chairman

Robert Cohen

Allan Henshaw

Jim Jones

Veterans

The mission of the Veterans committee is to serve Veterans through service as they have served our country. This service can be visitations, donated hours to veterans facilities, donations of clothing and other items, or other ways of serving our Veterans.

[Frank Rohrbough](#)

Acting Chairman

[Edwin Sellards](#)

Vice Chairman

[Peter Baron](#)

OAS Chairman

vacant

Wreaths Across America Chairman

Ronald (Jim) Akers

James Alderman

William Cox

Gerald L. Giles

Michael Goode

Bill Goodman

Michael Greco

John Greer

Lawrence Grumboski

Jim Hanlon

Carl Hill

Robert Hites

Larry J. Holmes

Robert Johns

Kevin Kanter

Kris Krueger

Bill Mayo

Thomas Milson

James Owsley

David Paddock

Marshall Scantlin

Stephen Veigel

Ted Wilson

Harry Woodstrom

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