

# The San Jacinto Dispatch

Daughters of the Republic of Texas



April 2022

Coming Up Next Month: May 5th Chapter Meeting

## Chapter Meeting and Memorial Service

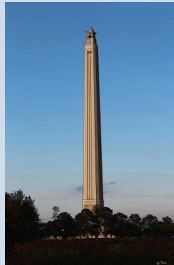
Join us to enjoy a special video produced by our member and Registrar Debra Grigsby and her husband Richard. While scanning our earliest chapter membership applications, Debra and Trudi Becht discovered fascinating historical information about these women. You will hear their own words about themselves and their ancestors. It's a wonderful opportunity become acquainted with our predecessors, a group of exceptional women. You will be amazed!

Following the video, we will hold our traditional memorial service for those chapter members that we lost this past year.

- Submitted by Nancy Burch

## San Jacinto Day ~ April 21, 2022

Thursday, April 21st, is San Jacinto Day! A big celebration is being planned for 11:00 a.m. on the north steps of the Monument. We will present our Thelma Maresh Scholarships, assisted by Kim Zapalac, DRT President General. The MC for the Ceremony is Phil Archer and the guest speaker is James Hurley. Members of our Chapter on the planning committee are Sharolyn Wood, co-chair, Nancy Burch, Beth Fisher, Beth McCarty, Eron Tynes, and Luanne Zacek.



## A Big THANK YOU from Gwen Koch

*Thank you to our April hostess volunteers Heather Henderson, Diana Stachowiak, Susan Stormer, Sharolyn Wood, and June Zindler for the delicious "spring" refreshments. And to Roni Thelen for "manning" The Country Store.*

## From the President:

Welcome to April, a busy month for the San Jacinto Chapter! We had a large group of members present at our monthly meeting on April 7th to hear TV newscaster Phil Archer tell about the first television station in Houston and some of the people who started it all.

This is also the month we send in our yearly report to DRT Headquarters. These reports are printed and it's really interesting to read some of the old reports from the 1890's! We also need to turn in our achievements for the year along with our Volunteer Hours. If you haven't sent in your hours, please do so ASAP! Send to [sjcdrtpres@gmail.com](mailto:sjcdrtpres@gmail.com) so I can add them to our count.

Here are some important events to put on your calendar:

Thursday, April 21st, is San Jacinto Day! (See description to the left)

Friday and Saturday, April 22nd and 23rd, the San Jacinto Chapter will be sponsoring a booth for School Day and Family Festival Day beginning at 10:00 a.m. Please see Eron Tynes' info in this newsletter and let us know if you can come!

April 29th and 30th are part of the San Jacinto Symposium. Dinner on the 29th is at the home of our member Miki Norton. See the attached flyer for more information on how to participate!

May 1st, a Sunday, we will have an Education Celebration at the Log House at 2:00 p.m.! We will be honoring our two Teachers of the Year, our Thelma Maresh Scholarship winners and our 7th grade Essay Contest winner along with their families. Plan to join us for this special afternoon!

Our June Luncheon will be on June 2, 2022 at Braeburn Country Club. We will initiate another large group of new members. The Registration form is attached to this newsletter!

-Beth Garrett McCarty

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## Attention CRT Members!



Hello San Jacinto CRT members!

Our next event marks a very important event in our state's history: San Jacinto Day! On [Saturday, April 23, 2022](#), we plan to meet at the San Jacinto battleground at 10:45 a.m. to join in the annual festivities at the site. At 11:00 a.m., the museum will present a 30-minute "re-enactment" of the Runaway Scrape. After learning about the Runaway Scrape, we will enjoy lunch from one of the food trucks or booths set up at the site and have a small group activity.

Instead of traveling as a group, we have decided to let everyone arrange their own transportation, allowing for flexibility in coming and going.

Please let us know if you plan to attend.

If you have any questions, I can always be reached on my cell phone at 713-598-6934.

Hope to see you there!

Cat Baen Hennessy, 3rd Vice President, DRT San Jacinto Chapter

## San Jacinto Weekend is coming up soon!

San Jacinto Weekend will soon be here. Come join us at the San Jacinto Battleground as we promote Texas history to our school children and the community at large.

The San Jacinto Chapter will be there sponsoring a booth on both Friday, April 22 (School Day) and again on Saturday, April 23 (Festival & Family Day - Battle re-enactment is held this day) Some of you already have plans to be there - any of you are welcome to join us.

We are looking for volunteers to join us for either day or both days. At our booth we will have about 15 of our Texas flags including the Six Flags of Texas and the various Battle Flags. We will also have to give to the school children, Texas Flag cards with the Texas Pledge and Texas themed coloring pages. The Battleground will be providing colors so the children can color on site.

I will also have a copy of the William Huddle painting (Surrender at San Jacinto) for display. Please feel free to portray any of the men in the painting. Ron Brown will be portraying his ancestor, Alexander Brown and Carl Hill will be Captain Mosely Baker. Some of the prominent men in the painting are Sam Houston, Santa Anna, Thomas Rusk, Mirabeau Lamar, Colonel Wharton, Colonel Almonte, General Sherman, Captain Jesse Billingsley, Deaf Smith, General Edward Burleson and his brother, Aaron Burleson. If you have an ancestor who was in the Runaway Scrape or San Jacinto, please feel free to represent your ancestor. Don't worry about period dress - just talking about your ancestor will be great.

I will provide information on the flags, Texas Revolution and the Battle of San Jacinto so everyone will have a basic working knowledge. A little knowledge goes a long a way with children. The hours on Friday are from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Saturday will be from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. If you plan to volunteer please email Eron Tynes ([texan54@att.net](mailto:texan54@att.net)). We will send out additional information as the date draws nearer.

Thanks again for volunteering.  
God Bless Texas

-Eron Brimberry Tynes, Past President  
San Jacinto Chapter, DRT

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## LOG HOUSE RESTORATION 2019-2022: Part 3

Log Restoration Project. The Log House looks beautiful. The log restoration project has been our number one goal for many years. It is exciting to see the work being accomplished.



Restoration is underway since January with Lone Star Log Specialties of Hurst, Texas, as the principal contractor. The logs have been washed, hand sanded, and two coats of stain and a clear, matt sealant applied. Chinking has been repaired. Individual logs with cracking issues are being repaired. Lisa Braly is the project coordinator.

The last step of the log restoration process and the job of repainting wood trim will begin this month. The Log House Committee hopes to have the interior of the log surfaces cleaned this summer.



Work on Log House windows and screens began in March. The windows look bright and beautiful. Riha Construction Co. is the contractor on this project. Windows panes are reglazed, broken glass panes replaced, and a rotten window repaired. The repaired screens are stored in the shed until repainted.

A generous donation by a chapter member made this restoration project possible.

The Log House Committee has been busy these past three years. If you are interested in working on future Log House projects, be a volunteer at the Log House. We would love to have you.



-Sharolyn Wood  
5th VP; Chair, Log House Committee



Stop by and see how Spring has sprung at the Log House!!

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## Log House Workdays Update



At this year's Log House Workdays, chapter collections and property are being inventoried. Eron Tynes is inventorying the Flag Collection. In addition to the flags on display in the Log House, the chapter has other flags in storage. Eron has been inspecting the stored flags. The large workspace created by the new tables in Brooks Cottage are the perfect place to spread out the flags.

The Log House Committee has a "Workday" each month. Due to the DRT Convention in May, the May Workday is moved to May 12 at 9:30 am. Beginning in June, the Workday will return to the 3rd Thursday of the month. Come join us. We will have a job for you, and you can meet other members interested in the Log House.

-Sharolyn Wood,  
Chair, Log House Committee



## San Jacinto Chapter Mugs For Sale



San Jacinto Chapter Mugs will go on sale in the Country Store at the May Chapter Meeting. The new mugs are printed with the same "God Bless Texas" below a lone star on one side and our chapter's name on the reverse, exactly as our current mugs. (There is a small distinguishing mark on the bottom of the new arrivals.)



The new shipment of coffee mugs available for sale is a fund raising project to support maintenance of the Log House.

Additional new San Jacinto Mugs will also replenish our dwindling stock of the Chapter's coffee mugs. The chapter now has enough coffee mugs to serve groups at Log House events and at Brooks Cottage meetings. See Gwen Koch at the Country Store for more information!

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## SJC - 2021~2022 Calendar of Events

(See yearbook for details)

### April

Monthly Saturday Open House, 1-3 p.m. April 16

San Jacinto Day Ceremony April 21

### May

Reception for Essay Contest winners and May 1

Scholarship recipients, Log House, 2:00 p.m.

**Chapter Meeting** Log House/Zoom, 10:00 a.m. May 5

DRT Annual Convention, Austin May 19- May 21

Monthly Saturday Open House, 1-3 p.m. May 21

### June

June Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. June 2

Third Thursday Log House Workday, 9:30 a.m. June 16

Monthly Saturday Open House, 1-3 p.m. June 18

CRT Annual Convention, Denton June 24-25

Monthly Saturday Open House, 1-3 p.m. July 16

Third Thursday Log House Workday, 9:30 a.m. July 21

April 29-30, 2022 is the weekend of the San Jacinto Symposium held in Houston.

"Causes of the Texas Revolution" as viewed from the U.S., Mexico, Colonists, Slavery, and Tejanos.

Enjoy dinner with the speakers on Friday evening. The dinner is held in the home of Miki and Ralph Norton.

Please see attached for more information.

-Miki Lusk Norton



## Thelma Maresh Scholarship Award Winners

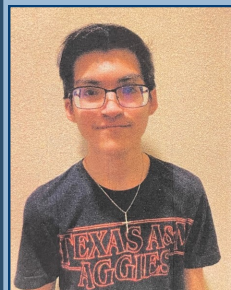
A huge thanks to the Scholarship Committee who gathered on Zoom to review some really incredibly accomplished applicants. Committee Members were Vanessa Flores, Susan Stormer, Beth McCarty and Laura Kaplan.



**Elizabeth Ivey** - Deer Park High School will attend Texas A&M (left)



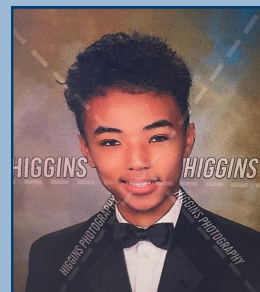
**Madison "Madi" Jones** - Deer Park High School will attend Baylor University (right)



**Jonathan Marin** - Katy High School will attend Texas A&M (left)



**Cartrius Phipps** - Deer Park High School will attend Rice University (right)



**Jade Torres** - Deer Park High School will attend Texas A&M (left)

### Attention all members!!

If you have not yet done so, please fill out the attached Member Biographical Form.

Every member needs to have one on file!

Please complete and return to our Chaplain, Luanne Zacek as soon as possible.

Bring it to one of our Chapter meetings or email it to Luanne at

lzacek@hotmail.com



*Please join us for  
the San Jacinto Chapter  
Daughters of the Republic of Texas*

*Annual Luncheon and  
New Member Initiation Ceremony*

*June 2, 2022*

*11:30 am*

*BracBarn Country Club  
3101 Bissonnet, Houston, Texas 77074*

*\$50 per person  
Complimentary Valet Parking  
(Please tip the Valet Attendant)*

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*Reservations must be received by May 20, 2022*

*\_ To Register Online, please scan the QR Code or click here  
[Online Registration and/or Payment Options](#)*



*\_ To Register by Mail, please print form and mail with your check.  
Check for \$50 each Payable to and Mail to: San Jacinto Chapter DRT  
1510 Cambridge Street  
Houston, Texas 77030*

*Reservation for \_\_\_\_\_*

*My Guest (s) \_\_\_\_\_*

## Member Biographical Form Daughters of the Republic of Texas

Member Name:		DRT #:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip Code:
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	
DRT Memorial Medallion?: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no			
Date Admitted to DRT:		Original DRT Chapter:	
Current Chapter:		Date of Transfer:	
Primary Ancestor Name:	Birth:	Death:	Service to Republic:
<b>Note:</b> If more than one ancestor, please list on reverse side of form or attach another page to this one.			
PERSONAL INFORMATION			
Birth Date:		Birth Place:	
Spouse/Partner Name:		Marriage Date:	
<b>Note:</b> If any other spouses or partners, please list on reverse side of this form or attach another page to this one.			
Names of Children:	Address:	Primary Phone No.:	E-mail:
<b>Note:</b> If any other children, please list on reverse side of this form or attach another page to this one.			
DRT SERVICE			
Chapter Offices Held:			
Chapter Committees Held:			
DRT Elective, Administrative, or Standing Committees Held:			
BOM Offices Held:			
Other:			
COMMUNITY, GENEALOGICAL, AND LINEAL MEMBERSHIPS			
Genealogical Societies:			
Lineal Associations/Societies:			
Community Organizations:			
OTHER INTERESTING INFORMATION ABOUT YOU			
Religious Affiliation:			
Education:			
Hobbies & Interests:			
Chapter: Please return to Chapter Chaplain. Member at Large: Please return to Chaplain General.		Date Completed:	

# PIONEER MEMORIAL LOG HOUSE

## Become a "Friend of the Log House" for 2021-2022

to help preserve the house and grounds.

### Membership levels

Texas Star.....\$ 25

Silver Star.....\$50

Shining Star.....\$ 100

Gold Star.....\$ 250

Lone Star.....\$ 500

Platinum Star.....\$1,000 and higher

A gift of any amount is appreciated and you will be recognized as a *Friend of the Log House*.

Name _____ <small>(as you wish to be printed)</small>	
Address _____	
Phone _____	Email _____
General Contribution	\$ _____
Contribution in memory / honor of _____	\$ _____
Send card to: _____	
Address _____	
City/State/Zip _____	
Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____	

**Make check payable to:  
San Jacinto Chapter DRT**

and mail donations to:

Gwen Koch (4<sup>th</sup> Vice President – Ways and Means)

1510 Cambridge St., Houston, Texas 77030

### \*\*\*\*\*PMLH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES\*\*\*\*\*

How I can help:

- ☐ Restoration Projects
- ☐ Tours / Docents / Greet visitors at monthly Open House
- ☐ Assist with identifying craftsmen and professionals for maintenance projects
- ☐ Assist with opening log house for special events
- ☐ Texas Heritage Garden: Assist with maintenance and beautification of grounds.

All gifts are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. San Jacinto Chapter DRT is a 501 (c) (3) organization.



**2022 San Jacinto Symposium  
"Causes of the Texas Revolution"  
Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am to 3:30pm – University of Houston, Downtown  
Attendee, Sponsor and Exhibitor Registration Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Business (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsorship Levels:**

\$500 – Listed as Sponsor for Symposium on printed materials and on TSHA website, 1 registration for symposium, and 1 ticket for the Patrons Dinner

\$1000 – Listed as Sponsor on printed materials and on TSHA website, 2 registrations for symposium, and 2 tickets to Patrons Dinner

\$2500 – Listed as Sponsor on printed materials and TSHA website, 4 registrations for symposium, and 4 tickets to Patrons Dinner

**For Attendees:**

Patrons' Dinner, Friday April 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:30 p.m., # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$150 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Symposium, 8 a.m.-3:30p.m., # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$100 each (includes lunch) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Please list names of additional registrants on a separate page.)

**For Exhibitors:**

No. of Exhibitor Tables \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$150/each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Each exhibitor table includes 2 chairs and wireless internet. Exhibitor registration includes **one** symposium registration.

**Payment Information**

☐ Enclosed is my check payable to the Texas State Historical Association

☐ Please invoice me (only available to exhibitors). PO # \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please charge my credit card: ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ Discover ☐ American Express

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ CVV Code \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Attendee registration is also available ONLINE!  
Go to [www.sanjacintosymposium.com](http://www.sanjacintosymposium.com)  
for more information or contact Angel Baldree.

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[Angel.Baldree@TSHAonline.org](mailto:Angel.Baldree@TSHAonline.org)

# PROGRAM

**Friday, April 29, 2022**

**6:30pm-8:30pm – Patrons Dinner**

This dinner will provide an opportunity for attendees to engage with the speakers in a more intimate setting. The event will be held at a private residence in River Oaks. The address will be provided after registration. Proceeds from this dinner will be used to fund future Symposiums. Generously sponsored by Ralph and Miki Lusk Norton

**Saturday, April 30, 2022**

The Wilhelmina Cullen Robertson Auditorium, University of Houston - Downtown

**9:00am**

**Welcome Remarks**

**Heather G. Wooten, Ph.D.** Executive Director, Texas State Historical Association

**Jeff Dunn**, President, San Jacinto Battleground Association

**Jim E. Crisp, Ph.D.**, Moderator, Professor Emeritus, Department of History, North Carolina State University

**9:30am**

**Richard McCaslin., Ph.D.**

***Causes of the Texas Revolution from the Texan Colonist Perspective***

**10:15am-10:30am**

**Morning Break**

**10:30am – 11:15am**

**Art Martinez de Vara, J.D.**

***Causes of the Texas Revolution from the Perspective of Tejanos***

**11:15am – 12:00pm**

**Andrew Torget., Ph.D.**

***Slavery and the Causes of the Texas Revolution***

**12:00pm – 1:30pm**

**Lunch Break**

A boxed lunch is included for all attendees who are registered for the Symposium.

**1:30pm – 2:15pm**

**Miguel Ángel González-Quiroga, M.A.**

***The Texas Revolution: A Mexican Perspective***

**2:15pm – 3:00pm**

**Sam W. Haynes, Ph.D.**

***Solely, Purely, Simply American: The Americanization of the Texas Revolution***

**3:00pm – 3:15pm**

**Afternoon Break**

**3:15pm – 4pm**

**Questions and Answers**

## ATTENTION TEACHERS!

We offer CPE credit for this symposium.

Please contact [Lisa.Berg@tshaonline.org](mailto:Lisa.Berg@tshaonline.org) to request your credit.

COVER PHOTO: By Jon Hall. Statue of Benjamin Rush Milam, Milam Park, San Antonio. In December 1835, Milam, at age 47, led a volunteer Texan army into San Antonio in what has been called the Siege of Béxar. After several days of street-to-street fighting, Mexican General Martín Perfecto de Cos surrendered and removed the Mexican army under his command across the Rio Grande. This battle ended the first phase of hostilities between Texan colonists and the Mexican army. During the engagement Milam was killed in action, becoming an early hero of the Texas Revolution. The statue was created by American sculptor Bonnie MacLeary and commissioned for the 1936 Texas Centennial.