

The San Jacinto Dispatch

Daughters of the Republic of Texas



June 2022

Next Chapter Meeting is on October 6, 2022

Our Chapter Registrar, **Debra Grigsby** won the coveted **Registrar's Award** and our beloved San Jacinto Chapter finally won the **SIX STAR CHAPTER AWARD** At the DRT State Convention!!

Congratulations to all!!!



Dues and Donations Campaign

Don't miss out on our 2022-2023 Dues & Donations Campaign. The deadline to receive your Dues so that your name can be included in our yearbook supplement is June 20, 2022. Final deadline is June 30, 2022. Please send in the attached form with your payment to Carla Brown, 5220 Wesleyan C103, Houston, TX 77005-1079 or complete the online form (if you need the link for this form, please email treasurer.sjcdrt@gmail.com).

Every member is valuable to our chapter and we appreciate all of your contributions.

-Carla Brown, Treasurer

From the President:

Welcome to Summer! We completed our 2021 – 2022 year with a lovely luncheon at Braeburn Country Club last Thursday, June 2nd. There were 54 attendees! Thank you to Gwen Koch and her committee for the nice table decorations. We loved that we each got to take home a vase of bluebonnets!

We initiated 21 new members and installed 4 new officers at the Luncheon. Congratulations to Debra Grigsby and Trudi Becht for facilitating our amazing growth over the last year – 38 new members since last May! Welcome to all of you! Our 4 new officers are Tish Wolter, 3rd VP (in charge of our CRT Chapter), Lisa Braly, Director, Roni Thelen, Parliamentarian and Assistant Treasurer, and Trudi Becht, Assistant Registrar. We are excited to work with each of you!

The Luncheon is our final Chapter meeting until we meet again at the Pioneer Memorial Log House and via Zoom on Thursday, October 6, 2022! The Chapter calendar shows some dates of activities over the summer. There will also be Committee Meetings and Executive Board meetings each month. Please check our Chapter calendar and join us for some fun activities as you are able.

-Beth Garrett McCarty

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Donations for the Friends of the Log House and the San Jacinto Chapter* - June 1, 2021 – May 31, 2022

San Jacinto Chapter Angels

Anonymous
Debra and Richard Grigsby
Gwen Kunz
Miki Lusk Norton
Texas Native License Plate Fund

Platinum Star

Debra Grigsby *
Will and Carol Haddock *
Laura Kaplan *
Penny Renick
Carol Theilen * and In Memory of Kae Theilen
Susan Whitfield *.

Lone Star

Gwen Kunz
Eron Tynes * - In Memory of Esther Simon
In Honor of Beth McCarty
In memory of Kay Kimball Martin
Sharolyn Wood * and - In Memory of Kay Kimball Martin and
In Memory of Ann Tanner
Luanne Zacek * and - In Memory of Elizabeth Miller
In Memory of Kay Kimball Martin
In Memory of Margaret Standard
In Memory of Ann Tanner
In Memory of Charles Tennant
In Memory of Kay Thelan

Gold Star

Gina Bouchard
Susan Caraway *
Donna Haas
Carol Haddock *
Gwen Koch * and In Memory of Laura Kaplan's Father
Nancy Law
Network for Good*
Caroline Prince – In Honor of Jo Frances G. Greenlaw
Charles Still – In Honor of Judge Sharolyn Wood

Shining Star

Brenda Auld
Mary A. Baring
Ann Bevil *
Charlotte Brent *
Nancy Burch - In Honor of Beth McCarty and
In Honor of Carla Brown

Shining Star (continued)

Laura Cox *
Christin Dietze – In Memory of John McCrabb
Sherrill J. Pool Elizondo
Luisa Milby Feagin
Jane Fieldcamp *
Kathy Fountain
Donna Haas
Carolyn Hamilton
Mary Henderson
Ima Hogg Chapter
Mary Lois Johnson
Anne Darby Kennett* - In Memory of Charlotte Darby
Gwen Koch – In Memory of Laura Kaplan's Father
Angela Cochran Mahmarian
Beverly and Melinda McMahan
Bonnie Meine
Mary Sue Montgomery
Peggy Payne *
Nancy Peebles*
Brenda Puckett*- In Memory of Judy Calvin and In Honor of
Marilyn Chapman
San Jacinto Descendants
Diana Stachowiak
Dianne Stool *
Martha Strang * and In Honor of Olivia Sable Waffle
Francine Ulmer – In Memory of Nancy Lou Hunt Kiesling
Anita Walls* - In Memory of Marilyn Van Way

Sandra Wellen *

Silver Star

Linda Beverlin
Martha Bodine*
Lisa Braly
Bette Burkett *
Mary K. Carpenter
Bana Caskey *
Cathy Duxtater *
Vanessa Flores *
Kathy Fountain
Carolyn Gilbert
Martha Haydel
Martha Hirsch *

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Silver Star (continued from Page 2)

Carole Lawson*

Liz Leifeste*

Beth McCarty *

Margaret McGinty*

Dr. Lorena Maher *

Beverly McMahan

Marsha S. Nelson; Chandler & Jill Nelson – In Memory of Kay

Kimball Martin

Caroline Prince

Susan Sheeren

Kathy Vossler *

Texas Star

Sharyn Baker*

Mary Anne Baring *

Linda Barnes *

Cheryl Barta*

Bridgett Becker

Susan Boykin

Laurie Carl*

Addie Christansen

Anita Cooper

Mary Corrigan*

Sarah Dikeman* In Memory of Sarah "Sally" Woolrich

Susan Gaze *

Shelly Gottschalk *

Janelle Harvey – In Memory of Kay Kimball Martin

Imogene Hill

Amy Lauders *

Melinda McMahan*

Tamara Mailloux*

Diane Martin – In Memory of Shirley Carole Green

Mary Milby*

Elysee Peavy *

Alice Calderon Rivera*

Josephine Rodgers

Martha Rogers

Beckie Stockstill*

Brenda Stover*

Dana Stover*

Ann Tanner

Charlotte Taylor

Texas Star (continued)

Sharlet Warner

Michelle Williamson

Other Gifts

Emma Hanan

Bonnie Hutton*

Ann Colley Johnson* In Memory of Daryl Mace Adams

Sylvia Peebles *

Tish Wolter*

Congratulations and Welcome!

Congratulations to our 25-year members who were recognized at our June Luncheon!

RECOGNITION OF 25 YEAR MEMBERS		Beth McCarty, President
Sarah Beeson	15 Oct. 1996	John Dedrick Wilson
Andrea Conklin	15 Oct. 1996	John Dedrick Wilson
Sarah Dikeman	10 Dec. 1996	Benjamin W. Anderson, Sr.
Mary Ann Howard	25 Apr. 1997	James M. Walker
Dr. Lorena Maher	21 Nov. 1996	John Ivy
Bethany McCann	11 Mar. 1997	William Walton Anderson
Nikki Wise	15 Oct. 1996	John Dedrick Wilson

Welcome to our new members who were initiated at our June Luncheon!

Welcome New Members!	
Member	Ancestor
Monika Barker-Casella	Joseph Mancil Coker
Janet Reid Bodin	Phillip Dever
Roseanne Elyse Bodin	Phillip Dever
Mary Allene Breazeale	Major Hugh Hudson Calvert
Alexandra Faith Brown	Major Hugh Hudson Calvert
April Buzzard-Parker	Joseph Mancil Coker
Michelle Davis	Jesse Allen
Mary Helen DiStefano	Alfred Farrer
Sheryl Ann Falk	Rebecca Baldwin
Kathleen Alice James Gutierrez	Juan deJesus YBarbo
McKenna Martin	Charles Richards
Christina Munn	Joel Allen Burditt
Susan Lynn Schaeffer	Joseph Mancil Coker
Christina Victoria Smith	Phillip Dever
Nancy Collard Underwood	Elijah Simmons Collard
Stephanie Deidre Vick	Andrew Kent
Lois Jane Hamilton Wright	Thomas Bowland Walker
June Nelson Zindler	Peter Fewell
Lindi Marie Toomey	William Smothers
Melissa Fair Barfield Weber	George O'Brien
Heidi Randolph Slay	Isaac Lee
Associate Member	
Jolee P. Haddock	
Posthumous Member	
Minnie Lady Smith	Orceneth Fisher

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LOG HOUSE RESTORATION 2019-2022: Part 4

The Pioneer Memorial Log House looks beautiful. The log restoration is completed. The wood trim is repaired and painted to complement the beautiful new log exterior.

Log Restoration Project. In May, after the "cure" period from the prior restoration and repair work, Lone Star Log Specialties workmen applied the finishing restoration touches to the logs and chinking of our Pioneer Memorial Log House. Lisa Braly served as the project coordinator.

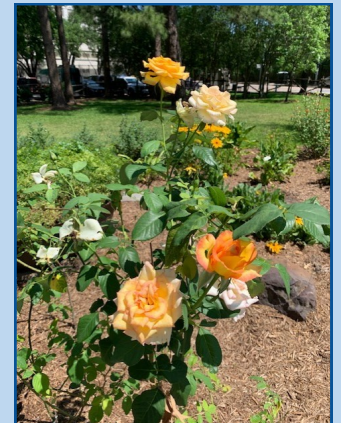


This is the eighth time the workers, using ladders, worked on the exterior surface of the logs in the restoration process— (1) wash, (2) hand sand, (3) & (4) brush on stain, (5) brush on matte finish, (6) repair chinking, (7) fill cracks in logs, (8) touch-up / final restoration work. Workers washed, sanded, repaired, stained, and finished the ends of the logs.



Our logs are saved and look beautiful.

A closing story. In April, an eagle-eyed member noticed a crack of "daylight" showing at the edge of the dining room ceiling gable. The daylight could only be seen while standing just inside in the dining room doorway to the kitchen, looking south between two logs. The hard-to-see gap was located by the workmen on the outside and sealed. The top edge of the entire gable was sealed, just in case.



Trim, Windows, and Screens. To complete the exterior transformation of the Pioneer Memorial Log House, Lone Star Log Specialties primed and painted the Log House wooden trim, the Log House back stairs, and the Brooks Cottage office stairs and front porch in May. It also primed and repainted the repaired, original 1936 wooden windows and screens and the new window glazing.

A generous donation by a chapter member made the Log House 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. Contact Sharolyn Wood, Chair, Log House Committee.

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

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News from the Historic Preservation Committee

Historic Preservation Committee Visits the San Jacinto Museum of History

In May, the Historic Preservation Committee visited the San Jacinto Museum of History to learn more about our artifacts on loan to the Museum. The Museum has three different exhibits:

Permanent Exhibit - "Shaping the Lone Star, the building of the revolution and the birth of our great state"

Special Exhibit - "Monumental Experience – Construction of the San Jacinto Memorial Monument" (exhibit runs through December 31, 2022)

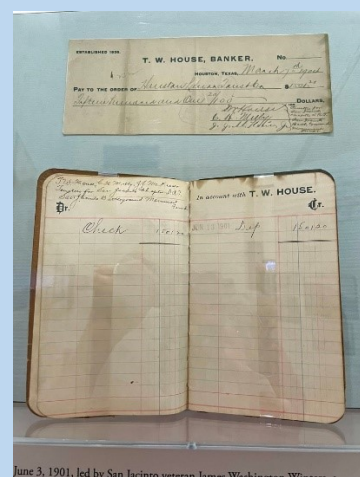
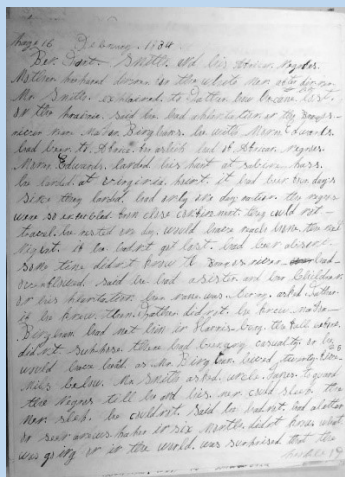
Lobby Exhibits – Micro exhibits which showcase the diversity of the Museum collections

San Jacinto Chapter Artifacts on View

A footed, white china pitcher with scrolled handle which was presented by Austin as a wedding gift in 1830. It is decorated with scenes of rural buildings in pink. (Permanent Exhibit)

Two pages from "Reminiscences of Texas History" by Dilue Rose Harris. (Lobby Exhibit)

T. W. House check for \$1,501.20 and Bank account book, Texas Veterans Association battlefield funds. (Special Exhibit)



The following information about the T. W. House check and bank book comes from the SJCDRT publication "The Ladies and the Battlefield" published 1999.

"This small book held the dream of the San Jacinto Chapter and the Texas Veterans Association of building a monument on the San Jacinto Battleground."

Proceedings of the Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Held at Lampasas, Texas, April 19-21, 1902. "Chapter Report," page 29 - 30:

... On May the 17th a fund that was raised prior to the civil war was generously given by ex-Gov. F. R. Lubbock to the San Jacinto Chapter. The amount (\$1501.20) to be used in erecting a monument to the brave men who were killed on the San Jacinto battlefield. We hope to add to this fund from time to time until we can place a monument commensurate in some degree to the importance of the battle. We appreciate Gov. Lubbock's generosity, and the confidence shown by him in making us the custodians of this fund. The placing of temporary iron markers on the most important points of the battlefield was the most important feature of the year's work, a full report of which will be given as an appendix to this report.

-Submitted by Gwen Kunz
San Jacinto Chapter Historian

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SJC - 2022~2023 Calendar of Events

June

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

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

Last day to pay your 2022 – 2023 DRT Dues if you would like to be in our newly updated Yearbook being revised over the summer. June 20

Log House Workday, 9:30 a.m. June 23

CRT Annual Convention, Denton June 24-25

Last day to turn in Bylaw Amendment requests June 29

Last day to pay dues without a Reinstatement fee June 30

July

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

Log House Workday, 10:00 a.m. July 21

August

Log House Workday, 10:00 a.m. August 18

Monthly Saturday Log House Open House, 1-3 p.m. August 20

September

Log House Workday, 10:00 a.m. September 15

Monthly Log House Open House, 1-3 p.m. September 17

October

Chapter Meeting, 10:30 a.m. October 6

Monthly Log House Open House, 1-3 p.m. October 15

Log House Workday, 10:00 a.m. October 20

District VI DRT Workshop, all day Saturday at the Monument Inn in LaPorte, Texas (we need at least 13 members to attend, please!) October 22



Come See What's New at the Log House!



Come See What's New
Pioneer Memorial Log House
1510 Cambridge Street, Houston, Texas

Our Monthly Open House will be Saturday, June 18th from 1 to 3 pm. Come visit the Pioneer Memorial Log House and Brooks Cottage to see the completed restoration projects and learn about planned projects. To schedule a tour at a time convenient for you, contact Luanne Zacek or Sharolyn Wood.

Two exterior changes are not obvious -- "what is not there" at the corners of the Log House. Utilities "under the house" which are no longer needed have been removed. Contractors removed the unsightly A/C vents and reduced the size of the heavy-duty electrical connections which were part of the prior commercial A/C system.

See the San Jacinto Dispatch editions for February, March, and April and this June edition for reports on major restoration projects.

To park in the Log House lot, turn off Cambridge Street at the red light for Medical Center Entrance # 21. Follow Ben Taub Loop around to the rear of the Log House.

Drive By. If you cannot visit the Log House on June 18, drive by the Log House to see the exterior changes. During the day, you will see the restored logs and the butterfly garden in front, installed by Hermann Park. At night, enjoy the beautiful, lighted view.

Sharolyn Wood
5th Vice President,
Chair, Log House Committee



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Report of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas State Convention



May 26-28, Austin, Texas

The 131st Annual Convention of the DRT was held in Austin this year. Several members from the San Jacinto Chapter attended: Carla Brown, Debra Grigsby, Gwen Koch, Gwen Kunz (1st Convention with our Chapter), Tamara Mailloux, Beth McCarty, Miki Norton, Deidre Vick (new member at her first convention), Sally Whittington, Sharolyn Wood (long-time member at her first convention).

Gwen Koch, Carla Brown, and I transported our Country Store to Austin; with help from members, we sold over \$3,000 of items with over \$1,000 in profits! This was a By-Laws year so there was much discussion on the pros and cons of various by-laws. A proposal to raise dues \$15 failed, but a compromise of a \$5 increase passed (this will not go into effect until next year). Our new District VI representative is Coyla Holmes.



Workshops were helpful and one was especially interesting. Amanda Danning, a forensic historical scientist, studied some of the skulls found in the fields at San Jacinto. She showed us how she could determine the sex, race, and age and frequently how they died. She could even tell that two skulls came from cousins!



Amazingly, our Chapter won several awards at the Convention. Seven of our members received 25-year certificates. Our Registrar, Debra Grigsby, with help from her assistant Trudi Becht got 38 New Members approved in the last year which gave her the coveted Registrar's Award! And we as a Chapter finally won the SIX STAR CHAPTER AWARD. There were numerous requirements such as donating books, teaching Texas history, giving scholarships, hosting the DRT Essay Contest and Teacher Awards, and - the hardest of all - having 5% of our membership attend the October Workshop and the Convention. But we did it! I really appreciate all of the support to get this done!



-Beth Garrett McCarty



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A Message from the Bylaws Committee

Chapter Bylaws Amendments

San Jacinto Chapter reviews its Bylaws twice a year. This is the schedule for Fall of 2022.

- 7.29 Request for Bylaws Amendment Due to Committee
- 9.15 Proposed Amendments Published in Newsletter
- 9.29 Executive Board Review
- 10.06 Distribute Proposed Amendments at Chapter Meeting
- 11.05 Distribute and Vote on Proposed Amendments

Requested amendments are voted on by the Chapter at the November chapter meeting.. See Article XI—Amendments, San Jacinto Chapter Bylaws, for details.

Submit any requested amendment to the committee chair no later than July 29. Call a committee members if you have a question. Bylaws Committee: Sharolyn Wood, chair, Brenda Aldt, Gwen Kunz, Beth McCarty, Roni Thelen. Contact information is in the chapter Yearbook.

In and Around our Log House



Pictured left - Six slat-back chairs discovered in the attic of Brooks Cottage have been restored, including new woven seats. The smaller size of pioneer Texans is reflected in the “reduced” size of these chairs. Additional chairs are preserved with original cowhide seats. You can see the chairs on display at the Open House on June 18 from 1-3 pm.



Pictured right - Sod was laid in May to cover the muddy areas next to the Pioneer Memorial Log House. My thanks to Mary DiStefano and Barbara Short for helping me water in the grass. The June heat wave is a challenge.

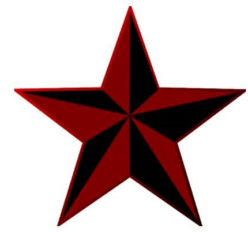
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June Luncheon Photo Recap





San Jacinto Chapter
Daughters of the Republic of Texas
2022-2023 DUES NOTICE



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Name _____	Email _____
Address _____	
City / State / Zip + 4 _____	
Cell Phone _____	Phone _____
Life Member, <input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Marital Status: <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Married Spouse _____	

Please send in your dues during our "Pay in May" campaign. Checks received in May will be deposited and Credit Cards will be charged in early June.

Dues payment must be received by June 20th to be included in the 2021-2022 year book.

Dues received after July 1, 2022, will be delinquent; a \$25 fee is required by the state to be reinstated.

New Members after March 1 do not pay dues for this year.

If you are paying dues for more than one member, please fill out a separate dues notice form for each member. We need the updated information for the chapter database and yearbook.

Total Dues Owed (\$70).....\$ _____
(State \$45) (Chapter \$25)

Associate/Affiliate Member (\$25)\$ _____

Chapter Donation\$ _____

Donation In Memory of:\$ _____

Donation In Honor of\$ _____

Log House Donation\$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed\$ _____

Make Check Payable to San Jacinto Chapter, DRT and mail with this form to:
Carla Brown, Treasurer 5220 Wesleyan C103 Houston, TX 77005-1079

CHAPTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our chapter. Please check those that you are interested in. Your interest will be forwarded to the appropriate board member or committee chair.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Country Store | <input type="checkbox"/> CRT Programs & Trips | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance/Audit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Collections & Preservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality/Social/Greeters/Name Tags | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Log House Grounds/Gardening | <input type="checkbox"/> Media (Newsletters, Photography, Website, Facebook) | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | | |

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:
Note: 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:	
Note: 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:
Note: 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:			
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OTHER INTERESTING INFORMATION ABOUT YOU			
Religious Affiliation:			
Education:			
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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 _____ (as you wish to be printed)	
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 (4th 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.

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