Daughters of the Republic of Texas

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September 2019

Coming Up Next:

October 2nd: The Women's Air Service Pilots, WWII Heroes - Carol Cain, WASP Museum Associate Director





November 7th: San Jacinto Battleground Under the Direction of the Texas Historical Commission - John Nau, THC Chair

Photo Recap: June Year-End Luncheon and Officer Installation







During this month in Texas history - September 8, 1900

The greatest natural disaster in American history occurred in Galveston on September 8, 1900. Ships reported the progress of a giant storm across Cuba and into the Gulf of Mexico. As it neared Galveston, the city lay unprotected. There was no seawall, and the city was teeming with people who were attracted to the island's good life and growing economy. By the evening of September 8 the wind was blowing at about 120 miles per hour and a tidal wave broke over the city. Half of the city was destroyed. Thomas Edison brought his new motion picture camera to the island and recorded one of history's first newsreel films of the devastation.

<u>Also on this date</u>: In the year 1907, the world-famous Neiman Marcus store opened in Dallas.



From the President:

Hello, Ladies and Welcome to the new DRT year! I feel honored and excited to be selected as your leader and will try diligently to be worthy of the title of Chapter President. I have been a member of the San Jacinto Chapter for over 30 years, but was a full-time school teacher (middle/high school Spanish and English) until 2017, so I was only able to attend the December and June luncheons for most of those years. I did serve as one of your docents one weekend a month for over 15 years, so at least I am familiar with the Log House! Needless to say, I am still learning names and trying to familiarize myself with our by-laws and parliamentary procedure!

I am thrilled to have such an awesome, supportive Executive Board to keep me on track. Our Board is a perfect combination of experience and new enthusiasm and our summer meetings have been educational and productive. We have a working calendar and a list of committees with plenty of room for every member to be involved somewhere. Please let me know if you have a skill or talent or interest in any of our many committees. We would love to involve you! All of us are volunteers doing the best we can, but many hands make light work or at least make it a bit easier and more fun!

One goal of mine is to try to involve more of our Texas History teachers in the DRT essay and art contests. I also hope we as a chapter can become more involved in the State DRT organization. There are many women all over the country doing what we do. Who knows, you might even meet some new cousins descended from the same ancestor! Sharolyn Wood met three last weekend at the District IV workshop in Crockett, Texas!

A very special thank-you to new Recording Secretary Laura Kaplan for volunteering to organize our newsletter. We still do not have a Historian, but at least we can keep you better informed through this newsletter than through my periodic emails! I am so proud of this chapter and all of the wonderful ladies who have been a part of it since 1891. God bless them and God bless you and of course, God Bless Texas!

-Beth Garrett McCarty

In Memoriam:

<u>Díana Stachowíak's father</u>, Clarence Don Akers died August 17, 2019.

<u>Carolyn Lightfoot's husband</u>, Robert H. Lightfoot, Sr. died August 26, 2019.

Susan Stormer's sister, Elizabeth (Beth) Cunningham died September 3, 2019.

Please keep these DRT members and their families in your thoughts and prayers.



For our October Program:

A HISTORY OF THE WOMEN AIRFORCE SERVICE PILOTS

In 1942, as the country reeled from the attack on Pearl Harbor, trained male pilots were in short supply. Qualified pilots were needed to fight the war. The Army also was desperate for pilots to deliver newly built trainer aircraft to the flight schools in the South. Twenty-eight experienced civilian women pilots volunteered to take those ferrying jobs. They formed the country's first female squadron late summer 1942. Between November 1942 and December 1944, 1,074 more women were trained to fly first in Houston and then moved to Avenger Field in Sweetwater, TX. Nancy Love and Jacqueline Cochran founded the two programs (Women's Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron and Women's Flying Training Detachment) that became the WASP. WASP flew every aircraft in the Army's arsenal. In addition to ferrying, they towed gunnery targets, transported equipment and non-flying personnel, and flight-tested aircraft that had been repaired before the men were allowed to fly them again. For over two years, the WASP went on to perform a wide variety of aviation -related jobs and to serve at more than 120 bases around the country. The man who championed the WASP was Army Air Forces Commanding General "Hap" Arnold. He was revered by the U.S. Congress, but in June 1944 when he sought to officially designate the WASP as members of the United States military, Congress said "no." After a protracted fight, the WASP were granted military status in 1977, thanks to a law signed by President Carter. These 1,102 Women Airforce Service Pilots flew wingtip to wingtip with their male counterparts and were just as vital to the war effort.

Did you know...

The Sam Houston walnut tree on the Log House grounds is approximately 18 years old and grew from a walnut from the originating tree in Tennessee. One of the saplings (about four feet tall) from one of the harvested walnuts was given to Nancy Burch by Mickey Driver. Mickey's father had harvested the nuts from that original tree and grew all of the saplings that were donated. Nancy's son-in-law Barry Ward, now head of Trees for Houston, planted it.

Report from the Memorial Park Committee:

Our Memorial Park Committee Chair, Marilyn Van Way, reports that the Memorial Park preservation program is moving along on schedule. Eastern Glades should be completed soon. The second stage of the relocation of some sports fields(and the redoing of others) has begun. The park is also having the golf course improved in preparation for the Houston Open next year. The park works in coordination with the City of Houston, The Uptown Taxing Authority, and Memorial Park Conservancy in implementing The Master Plan.

Our beautiful and historic Log House







*** IMPORTANT - FOR YOUR REVIEW ***

DRT San Jacinto Chapter Bylaw Amendments:

The Bylaws Committee has been diligently working to update the San Jacinto Chapter's Bylaws and is proposing the attached amendments to comply with provisions of the DRT State Bylaws and with Roberts Rules of Order (Newly Revised). Parliamentarian General Elizabeth Robbins has assisted with the proposed amendments. Newly increased dues and fees are reflected in the proposed amendments as well as corrections for the purpose of clarity.

Please see attached proposed Bylaws amendments and forward any comments or concerns to our Bylaws Committee Chair—Sharolyn Wood at woodsharolyn@aol.com

The publication of these Bylaws changes in this newsletter publication meets the notice provision required by our current Bylaws. These amendments will be voted on at the October Chapter meeting.

San Jacinto Chapter Holiday Luncheon Coming in December!

Holiday Luncheon!

Hello ladies, I hope that everyone has enjoyed a long, lazy summer in spite of our famous Texas heat! We have been hard at work getting ready for our DRT season, that will start very soon. Preparations are under way for the Holiday Luncheon on Thursday December 5, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. at Tony's Restaurant. We will be able to enjoy the fine dining experience and ambiance while we visit with all of our Chapter friends. This will be a wonderful way to kick-off the holiday season! The Luncheon reservation form is attached for you to complete and send in. It is not too early to submit your paid-reservation to guarantee your place at a table. Hope to see you there!

Jamie Moran, Director

Early Texas Recipe

Taken from *A Pinch of This and a Handful of That - Historic Recipes of Texas 1830-1900* published by DRT District VIII in 1988.

Hoe Cakes—1836

To 1 pint of yellow cornmeal, add a pinch of salt and pour enough water over the meal to moisten it. Let stand 10 minutes. Then add boiling water until the batter will drop from the spoon. Bake in cakes on a hot griddle greased with salt pork fat. Serve hot with a pat of butter on top of each cake.

(Hoe Cakes were called this because they were first made on a hoe over the coals in the fire-place. This was one of the recipes used by the early settlers on the way to the Republic of Texas and for many years later.)

San Jacinto Chapter - Calendar of Events

(See yearbook for details)

2019

Texian Navy Day September 21

District VI Fall Workshop September 27

Chapter Meeting (10:00 Social/10:30 Meeting) October 3

Chapter Meeting (10:00 Social/10:30 Meeting) November 7

Holiday Luncheon December 5

2020

Chapter Meeting (10:00 Social/10:30 Meeting) January 9

Chapter Meeting (10:00 Social/10:30 Meeting) February 6

Chapter Field Trip March 5

Texas History Pioneer Day March 17

Chapter Meeting (10:00 Social/10:30 Meeting) April 2

San Jacinto Day Ceremony April 21

Baked Potato Lunch and Social April 23

"Come and Sip It" Fund Raiser April 25

Chapter Meeting (10:00 Social/10:30 Meeting) May 7

CRT Celebrates Summer - Field Trip TBD

DRT Annual Convention May 14– May16

June Luncheon June 4

CRT Convention June 26-27

Friends of Log House, Texas Star Donors list continued...

Kathleen Vossler Anita Walls Sharlet Warner

Ashley Gayle Williamson – In Memory of Judith Gayle Greenwood Jimmie Wootten

Luanne Zacek - In Memory of Kae Theilen

Friends of The Log House Donors

Gifts June 1, 2019 - August 31, 2019

Lone Star

Margaret Standard

Gold Star

Ann Brent – In Memory of Connie Juvan-Savoy

Carol Theilen

Shining Star

Gina Bouchard Lisa Braly

Charlotte Brent

Rose Calhoun

Jane Fieldcamp

Laura Kaplan - In Memory of Bootsie Pierce

Gwen Koch

Gwen Kunz

Liz Leifeste

Angela C. Mahmarian

Mary Montgomery

Phyllis Vaughan Moody – In Memory of Pat Craig

Kenney Marie Dixon Pickens – In Memory of Emma Johanna Kessler Dixon

Candace B. Sawyer

Diana Stachowiak

Beckie Stockstill-Cobb

Ann Tanner- In Honor of Luanne Zacek

Sally Whittington – In Memory of Clare Deaver

Sandra Wellen

Sharolyn Wood

Silver Star

Sarah Bay – In Memory of Alice Hill Smith

Martha Bodine

Susan Caraway

Carrie Fisher

Kelly Fisher Tamara Mailloux

Margaret McGinty

Mary Powell

Brenda Puckett – In Memory of Judy Calvin

Brenda Puckett - In Honor of Marilyn Chapman

Susan Sheeren

Martha Sable Strang

Jimmie Wooten

Texas Star

Isabell Andrews – In Memory of Laura Andrews Wortham

Elizabeth Arp

Cheryl Barta

Gina Bouchard- In Memory of Doris Haynie Chapman

Elizabeth Burkett

Susan Caraway – In Memory of Dorothy Skolaut

Patricia Doyle – In Memory of Patti Ruth Linbeck

Martha Haydel

Nancy Peebles - In Memory of Julia Aguilar

Caroline Prince

Brenda Puckett

Mildred Quast

Martha Rogers

Claire Seibert

Julia Stockstill-Cobb - In Memory of Mary Dell Rosier

Ann Tanner - In Memory of Pat Craig

Charlotte Taylor – In Memory of Dorothy Knox Houghton

Let's support our San Jacinto Chapter when we buy groceries!!



Kroger Community Rewards has given Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Pioneer Memorial Log House a new number due to their program changes. Please check with your local Kroger to have your Kroger Plus Card updated for our new # RF149. Remember, you shop anyway, so this is a painless way for our chapter to receive a donation from Kroger just because we shop. Every little bit helps!

Please see the following important attachments at the end of this Newsletter!

List of 2019-2021 Standing Committees and their Chairs Holiday Luncheon Invitation Friends of Log House Donor Form Chapter Bylaws revisions

Next Chapter Meeting:
Pioneer Memorial Log House
October 3, 2019
10:00 am Social
10:30 am Meeting



The Daughters of the Republic of Texas

September 4, 2018 · 🕙

Did you know? Before women could vote, the men of Marble Falls elected Birdie Harwood mayor, the first woman mayor in Texas and in the United States, on December 2, 1917. In 1919, she led the Armistice Day Parade, riding sidesaddle. President Woodrow Wilson had just signed the law enacting Armistice Day, signaling an end to World War I.

Photo courtesy of The Falls on the Colorado Museum. Source: Texas Dames by Carmen Goldthwaite, pp. 126-127.



STANDING COMMITTEES—2019-2021

Chapter President is an ex-officio member of all committees

ACCESSIONS	Sharolyn Wood, Chair	832-637-7445; 281-467-4681	woodsharolyn@aol.com		
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CHILDREN OF THE REPUBLIC OF TX Deborah Liss-Fran		k Chair 832-755-5550	dliss1212@yahoo.com		
COURTESY	Margaret Standard, Chair	713-862-4997	with SJC Board		
DOCENTS & RENTALS	Sharolyn Wood 8	32-637-7445; 281-467-4681	woodsharolyn@aol.com		
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Please join us for the San Jacinto Chapter Daughters of the Republic of Texas

Holiday Luncheon December 5, 2019 11:30 a.m.

> Tony's 3755 Richmond Ave Houston, TX 77046

> > \$38 per person

(complementary valet parking)

======Clip and mail with your check=======

San Jacinto Chapter Holiday Luncheon

December 5, 2019 11:30 a.m.

Reservations must be received by November 27, 2019

<u>Please print</u>		
Reservation for		
My Guest(s)		
Check, for \$38 each payable to: San Jacinto Chapter DRT	Mail to:	Jamie Moran 11406 Mullins Dr Houston, TX 77035 713-584-0254

PIONEER MEMORIAL LOG HOUSE

Become a "Friend of the Log House" for 2019-2020

to help preserve the house and grounds.

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			\$
Send card to:Address		Total Amount Enclosed S	\$ \$

Make check payable to: San Jacinto Chapter DRT

and mail donations to:

Gwen Koch (4th Vice President – Ways and Means)

2015 Banks St., Houston, Texas 77098

********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.			

2019 Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws

of the San Jacinto Chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas

To be published in September Newsletter, read at October 3rd Chapter Meeting, and read and voted on at November 7th Chapter Meeting.

Amendment #1.

ARTICLE IV—DUES AND FEES: Section 2. Dues and Fees: (A), (B), & (E). Changes are to comply with State DRT MOP (Manual of Procedure). Dues and fee information updated and moved from Standing Rules to Bylaws.

Section 2. Dues and Fees.

- **A. Dues.** The annual dues of chapter members are \$70, [state dues \$45; chapter dues \$25]. Associate and affiliate dues are the same amount as chapter dues.
- **B. Payment of Annual Dues.** Dues are due each year on June 1^{st} . Dues must be received by the *chapter* treasurer by *July* 1^{st} .
- **E. Fees.** Fees are as follows: examination fee for new members \$70, posthumous fee \$150, reinstatement fee \$25, transfer fee \$25 and supplemental lines fee \$50. A chapter processing fee of \$15 will be charged for processing DRT application forms, supplemental forms, and CRT to DRT transfers.

Amendment #2.

ARTICLE V—OFFICERS: Treasurer. Historian. Directors: Changes more fully describe officer duties to comply with State DRT MOP, RRONR, and Executive Board policies and informal practices.

Section 6. Treasurer.

- A. The treasurer will collect all dues in accordance with provisions found in the MOP, sending notices to members by May 1st, a second notice to those unpaid by *June 1 (the due date)*, and if necessary, a third notice on *June 15 (15 days before the deadline)*. She will submit the dues report and payment by *July 10th*. In March of each year, she will work with *DRT* Headquarters to verify payments of dues as found in the MOP. She will order the past president's pin and have it at the June Installation service. She will provide members with information and forms to obtain their DRT membership pin and ancestor bars.
- B. The treasurer will maintain the financial records of the chapter and report to the executive board at each regular board meeting and to the members at each chapter meeting. The treasurer will issue checks and keep a strict account of all receipts and disbursements. She will issue checks for non-budgeted items only after expenditure has been approved by the executive board. All checks must be signed by the president and treasurer. The treasurer will serve as chair of the Finance Committee and consult as needed with the Audit Committee.
- C. The treasurer will file the appropriate IRS Form 990 each year on or before October 15 and file the chapter's Texas Sales and Use Tax Return as set up with the state comptroller's office on a timely basis. *She will file the Related Entity Report each year with DRT Headquarters on or before June 30.*
- **Section 7. Historian.** The historian will preserve papers and records of the early history of Texas which will come into her possession through the chapter, and biographical sketches of ancestors or each incoming member, and will keep the chapter history book. She will preserve all historic documents belonging to the chapter

and will place same in the chapter files. *She will administer the Chapter Record Retention Policy*. She will serve as chair of the Historic Preservation Committee.

Section 12. Directors. Directors shall provide general guidance, advice, oversight, and support for the affairs of the chapter and assist the President as needed.

Amendment #3.

ARTICLE VII—STANDING COMMITTEES: FINANCE, AUDIT, DOCENTS: Changes more fully describe committee duties to comply with advice from the Parliamentarian General, RRONR, and Executive Board policies and informal practices.

Section 2. Finance Committee will be composed of the treasurer, assistant treasurer (if one is appointed), retiring treasurer for the two (2) years succeeding her term of office, first vice president, and, by appointment of the president, one or two additional chapter members with financial experience. The committee will review all financial reports and investment portfolios and report to the executive board and will prepare a proposed chapter budget for the next fiscal year and submit it to the executive board for consideration in April and then to the members for adoption in May. *The committee will develop and annually review for approval by the Board chapter policies, to include: Conflict of Interest, Donation, Investment, and Record Retention.* The treasurer will chair the committee.

Section 3. Audit Committee will audit the financial accounts and audit the treasurer's annual report at the end of each year and submit the Audit Committee's report to the chapter for vote of approval. The first vice president will chair the committee.

Amendment #4. ARTICLE VII—STANDING COMMITTEES: Sections 7, 8, &12. Changes to more accurately describe the Chapter's early Texas history artifacts in the Log House and on loan to the San Jacinto Museum of History. This eliminates the term "museum".

- **Section 7.** Accessions Committee will manage the acquisition and deaccession of objects in the *chapter early Texas history* collection. in the museum of the Pioneer Memorial Log House. The fifth vice president will chair the committee.
- **Section 8. Pioneer Memorial Log House & Garden Committee** will have the responsibility for the preservation, care, and maintenance of the Pioneer Memorial Log House, the *chapter early Texas history* collection in its museum, Brooks Cottage, the gardens, and associated grounds, as set out in Article XII below. The fifth vice president will chair the committee.
- **Section 12. Docents Committee** will be responsible for conveying to visitors the history of the *Daughters of the Republic of Texas, the* San Jacinto Chapter, the Pioneer Memorial Log House, and the *chapter early Texas history* collection. in the museum.

Amendment #5. ARTICLE XII—PIONEER MEMORIAL LOG HOUSE: Sections 1 & 2. Changes Article XII to more accurately describe the Chapter's early Texas history artifacts in the Log House and on loan to the San Jacinto Museum of History. This eliminates the term "museum".

Section 1. The Pioneer Memorial Log House & Garden Committee

The Pioneer Memorial Log House & Garden Committee will have the responsibility for the preservation, care, and maintenance of the Pioneer Memorial Log House, the *chapter early Texas history* collection in its museum, Brooks Cottage, the gardens, and the associated grounds.

A committee member will be elected by the committee to serve as secretary for the committee.

Section 2. Friends of the Log House

Friends of the Log House has the goal of raising funds to support the preservation, care and maintenance of the Pioneer Memorial Log House, the *chapter early Texas history* collection, in its museum, Brooks Cottage, the grounds, and the associated grounds.

Amendment #5. ARTICLE XI—AMENDMENTS: Change to comply with State DRT MOP.

These bylaws may be amended no more than twice per year by the vote of the chapter as follows. Proposed bylaws amendments will be (i) published in a newsletter in September and March (ii) read, or distributed at the October or April chapter meetings, and (iii) read, or distributed, and voted on by the chapter at the November or May chapter meetings, or voted on at the next chapter meeting where a quorum is present. The proposed amendments to the bylaws will be reviewed by the executive board at the September or April executive board meetings. Chapter bylaws shall be sent to the Parliamentarian General each time the chapter bylaws are amended.

Report Submitted by 2019-2021 Bylaws Committee:

Brenda Auld, Lisa Braly, Laura Kaplan,

Gwen Kunz, and Sharolyn Wood, Chair.