

The San Jacinto Dispatch

Daughters of the Republic of Texas

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From the President...

San Jacinto Chapter DRT President

When Pioneer Days arrive at the Log House, we know Spring is not far behind. Luanne Zacek and her sweet volunteers made the two- day event a great success. Our visitors enjoyed the Log House, refreshments, and art projects that the ladies had provided.

Please show your Texas pride by flying your Texas flag on April 21st and attending the San Jacinto Day Ceremony at the Battleground that day.

The March field trip to Columbus was informative and great fun. Ann Tanner worked hard to create a special day for all who could attend. The bus ride gives everyone a chance to visit and catch up. Thank you Ann!

All of these special activities happen because of our dedicated volunteers. I thank all of you.

Jamie



March 2 * Texas Independence Day (1836)

March 2 * Sam Houston's Birthday (1793)

March 6 * Alamo Heroes Day (1836)

March 27 * Goliad Heroes Day (1836)

April 21 * San Jacinto Day (1836)



Keep Texas Beautiful
KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE

April 7

Mark your calendars and join us on April 7 to hear our guest speaker, Jamie Wolman..

Jamie has been a member of Keep Katy Beautiful since 1995, a Keep Texas Beautiful board member since 2010 and served as President in 2013.

Born and raised in Anahuac, Texas, she was an educator for 35 years, both in the classroom and as a Guidance Counselor. She then served the city of Katy as the Keep Katy Beautiful Affiliate Director and the Parks and Recreation Director.

Jamie and her husband Ray, himself a retired educator after 40 years with Katy ISD, are very active as volunteers. They spend time volunteering at their namesake school in Katy ISD as well as serving on several boards related to school and community improvement.

In recognition for all the work Jamie has done as a volunteer, she has been awarded the Keep America Beautiful Lifetime Leadership Award and has been named Katy ISD Mentor of the Year.

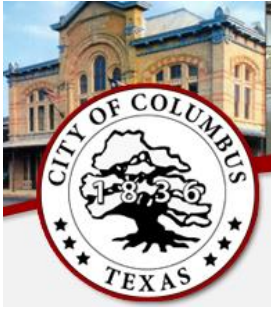


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March 3 Field Trip

A look at the journey of Texas through the eyes of a small town with a rich history.



The day in Columbus started at the Stafford Bank Building which is now the Opera House. This grand building which began as a bank, and still has its vault on display, has been apartments, a skating rink, and now the home to many fine arts productions each year.



The Delue Rose Harris House gives visitors a look at the genteel life of early Texas. Delue wrote a lengthy account of her life during the Revolution which has helped historians in understanding even more about this time. The house also houses the charter document for the Delue Rose Harris DRT Chapter



Luncheon was a homemade treat at the Prairie Street Heritage House. Members enjoyed chicken salad, fresh fruit and homemade cupcakes in the ambience of a beautiful old home.



A log house from the area was moved to town to show how early families lived.



Pioneer Memorial Log House
In all its spring glory

As spring begins to arrive in the Houston area the Pioneer Memorial Log House becomes an oasis of beauty.

Through the efforts of the Texas Heritage Garden Committee and other volunteers, the grounds of the log house “spring” into a beautiful setting fitting for honoring the 80th Birthday of the PMLH.

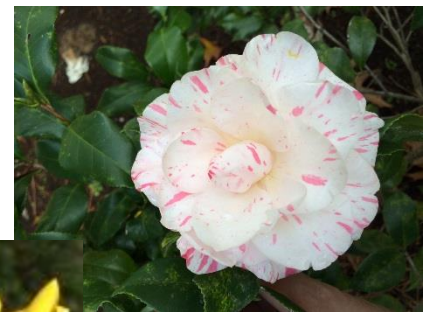


Additional Photographs from Sharolyn Wood, Gwen Kunz and Marjorie Foster show the beautiful blooms to be found on the grounds of the Pioneer Memorial Log House

Highlighted Committee of the Month
Texas Heritage Garden Committee

The Texas Heritage Garden Committee spends many hours working on the grounds of the Pioneer Memorial Log House. Through their effort and dedication, chapter members, visitors and even those passing by, can pause and enjoy the feel of nature in the city.

The Texas Heritage Garden Committee is chaired by Marjorie Forster. Committee members are Esther Simon, Advisor, Rhonda Barclay, Gwen Kunz, Deborah Liss-Frank, Ronee Schneider, Laura Stover, Beth McCarty and Bonnie Hutton



Visitors enjoy the beauty of the grounds.

TEXAS PIONEER DAYS

One of the founding objectives of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas is to perpetuate the memory of the men and women who achieved and maintained the independence of Texas. Each spring, during the week that most school districts in the greater Houston area observe spring break, the San Jacinto Chapter supports this founding objective through the Texas Pioneer Days.

The Pioneer Memorial Log House is open to the public several days of this week. Tables are set up around the house with Texas- themed craft activities for visiting children. Chapter members volunteer to supervise crafts, guide visitors through the house, and perpetuate the memory of our ancestors through the sharing of Texas history. As an added bonus, cookies and lemonade are available to visitors.

This year the following chapter members shared Texas history with the visitors to the Log House. Jamie Moran, Ann Tanner, Deborah Liss-Frank, Lauren Liss, Gwen Koch, Luanne Zacek, and Stu and Bob Adamslundy

