



BATTLE OF BEXAR



SRT President General *Ed Heath*, Admin. For Historical Events *Bob Benavides*, & Past President *Jason Chall*, support SALHA with The Battle of Bexar reenactment at La Villita. *Bob Benavides*, also Chairman of SALHA, led a group which included for the first time a local area Cub Scout's Troop, though the narrow streets of La Villita, bringing to life the battle that drove the Mexican Army out of San Antonio & Texas.

PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE



Edward A. Heath, KSJ

Fellow members of The Sons of the Republic of Texas, I hope you and your family had a joyful holiday season and I wish you all the best wishes throughout this New Year. Time moves along and our Texas history and pride in our ancestors becomes more positive.

On October 5th, I attended the Gonzales parade. The SRT float was provided by the Gonzales Chapter. Chapter President Bird, chapter members and I represented SRT.

On November 17th, I attended the annual Christmas Tomball parade. This is a big event in Tomball and a large crowd attends. Several SRT members from surrounding chapters

attended on a float and others walking in period clothes carrying historical flags. SRT was a big attraction for the viewers. Denton Bryant, KSJ, rode with me in a 1928 Ford convertible.

The December 7th Executive Meeting in Goliad, went well, with good attendance. Present were five Past Presidents; Scott Dunbar, KSJ, Sam Clark, KSJ, David Hanover, KSJ, Robert Kendall, KSJ, and Bob Steakley, KSJ. After the meeting we attended the Presidio La Bahia award ceremony. Knight Commander Robert Kendall led the Honor Guard of Knights of San Jacinto to present the flags. Presiding over the ceremony was Chairman Dennis Giuffr . The book award was presented to Light Townsend Cummins, PhD for his book, "To the Vast and Beautiful Land; Anglo Migration into Spanish Louisiana and Texas, 1760's-1820's".

On December 14th, I and other members of the Alamo Chapter supported the San Antonio Living History Association who presented a re-enactment of the "Battle of Bexar (San Antonio) in 1835" and also the capitulation of Mexican General Cos. The Re-enactment was narrated by Robert Benavides of the SRT Alamo Chapter.

I have attended several chapter activities and represented SRT at other organizations events.

With the beginning of a new year, I want to thank all of you who have dedicated your support to SRT and the history of our Great State of Texas.

God Bless Texas
Edward A. Heath, KSJ
President General

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JANET's Korner

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Annual Meeting 2020

Mar. 20-22 Marriott Plaza San Antonio;
555 South Alamo St.

San Antonio, TX, 78205; King or Double \$150. + tax;
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or call Tiffany directly at (210) 887-7383.

Cut-off Date: Feb 27, 2020.

Please state you are with the SRT.

• The website is up and running at srttexas.org. If you have any problems please let the National Office know or email Janet at: aa-srt@son-rep-texas.net. I will be glad to assist you.

• **Chapter yearly reports are due to the National Office January 31, 2020. Your report must include new officers with mailing addresses, phone numbers and email address. Also, a report with the activities during the year, as well as the Bank Statement for December 2019.**

• Dues notices have been mailed. The National office does not take credit card payment. If you did not receive a dues notice or have lost it, please email me at: aa-srt@son-rep-texas.net and I will be glad to send you one.

• Please start thinking about submitting nominations for the Educator of the Year Award to be presented at the annual meeting in 2020. Deadline for nominations is January 20th, 2020. The criterion is available from the National office or in your manuals.

• The topic for the Texas History Essay Contest is "Dr. Anson Jones, Last President of the Republic of Texas." Brochures are available on the website at srttexas.org or at the National office. The due date is January 31, 2020.

• You can view "The Texian" newsletter on the website for free. You may also purchase "The Texian" and it will be mailed to you for a fee of \$20.00 a year. Please contact the National office.

• Do not forget to make your reservation for the 2020 Annual meeting NOW! Information is on the website at srttexas.org

• I would like to thank you for the articles and pictures you are sending for your newsletter; they have been GREAT. I need YOUR help with articles and pictures. If your chapter has or will be celebrating any events PLEASE email me at: aa-srt@son-rep-texas.net. I will be submitting the April issue for publication; the deadline for submissions March 31, 2020.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2019 - 2020



*Back row Left to Right;
Randy Pollard, KSJ- Secretary General
L. Clay Fisher-Treasurer General
John Knox- Historian General*

*Front Row Left to Right;
David Stone - Chaplain General
Devin Lindsey-Second Vice President General
Edward A. Heath, KSJ- President General
Kenneth W. Pfeiffer-First Vice President General*

*Not pictured;
Ronald W. Brown, KSJ- Executive Committeeman
Bob Steakley, KSJ- Executive Committeeman*

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES 2019 - 2020



*Back Row Left to right;
Devin Lindsey, North Central District
Richard Weitzel, Heart of Texas District
Scott Leopold, Gulf Coast District
Mike Young, Post Oak District*

*Front Row Left to Right;
Mike Wilson, Lone Star District
Steve Manis, San Jacinto District
George Nelson, Brazos Valley District*

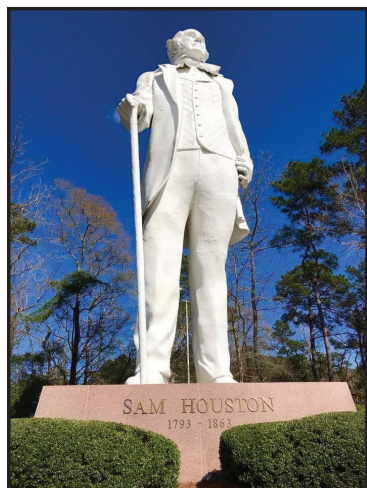
NEW SRT MEMBERS

Chadwick Evins "Jerry" Chester
 William Travis Fink
 Jimmy Gressett
 Scott McMahon
 Norman Chester Vaden Jr.
 Daniel Dean Caley
 Jay Patrick Carnes
 Hugh Rogers Ferguson Jr.
 Robert Benjamin Gomez
 Mark Edward Hegman
 George Steve Nicol
 Manfred Henry Peters Jr.
 Andrew Evan Peters
 Tracy Dwight Phelan
 Donald Wayne Sapaugh
 Alfred Leroy Taylor Jr.
 Kevin James Winebrenner
 Randolph Foster Stuart
 James Helmut Knipp
 William Frederic Knipp
 James Jackson Price Jr.
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 James Russell Gates
 Claude Patrick Henry
 Charles Anderson Hinton Jr.
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 William Randall Jackson
 Matthew Vinson Stephens
 Michael Burt Stephens
 Richard Peery Blair Jr.
 Henry Lamar Denby Jr.
 Paul Gary Jarrett
 Paul T Harker
 Guy Charles Kerby
 Patrick Arthur Mayers
 David Ward Pruitt
 Robert Brian Hooper
 Jack Henry Smith
 Terry Don Cowan
 Gerald Lee Giles Jr.
 Kenneth James Yoder
 Brandon Christopher Luther
 Michael Houston Baker
 Houston Earl Baker
 Kameron Jay Brown
 David Coy Hamaker
 Ronald Wayne Liston
 Milton Scott Wells

Jesse Evins Turner
 John William Smith
 Elizabeth Sides Kuykendall Stephens
 No Ancestor
 John A. Goolsby
 2 Isaac Todd
 2 John T Eubanks
 2 Edward Morris Tanner
 2 Capt. John English
 2 Albert Hamilton Lattimer
 2 John Madison Farrow
 2 Friedrich Wilhelm Pfannstiel
 2 Friedrich Wilhelm Pfannstiel
 2 Alexander Buchanan
 2 Thomas Chumley
 2 Isaac William Banta
 2 James Cornett
 5 John Foster
 8 Fredrick Haro Miller
 8 Fredrick Haro Miller
 8 John T Pearon
 12 Milton Irish
 12 Rev. Joseph P Sneed
 14 James Francis Walker
 14 Robert Henry
 14 Samuel Shupe
 23 Marcelino De La Garza
 25 David Gage
 27 Alexander Hodge
 27 Alexander Hodge
 29 Hirm Turner
 38 Moses Fiske Roberts
 38 Barnwell David Bassford
 40 Absalom Kuykendall
 40 John Nall
 41 Andrew Jackson Hamilton
 41 Mortimer Monoah Pruitt
 49 Richard Hooper
 49 Emzy Chapman Smith
 52 Jefferson Stubblefield
 52 Henry Barlow Hutchins
 53 Jacob Wolters
 56 William Gann
 58 Drury Sanders
 58 Drury Sanders
 58 Francis Marcus Weatherred
 58 Bennett Hiram Zachary
 58 Thomas Bracken
 58 Alexander McAnear

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 San Antonio, TX
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 Houston, TX
 League City, TX
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 Pasadena, TX
 La Porte, TX
 Richmond, TX
 Plano, TX
 Plano, TX
 Little Rock, AR
 Austin, TX
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 Collierville, TN
 Jersey Village, TX
 College Station, TX
 Louise, TX
 Sweeny, TX
 Lubbock, TX
 Lubbock, TX
 Hattlesville, TX
 Huntington, TX
 Gulf Breeze, FL
 St. Peters, MO
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 Midland, TX
 Midland, TX
 Shreveport, LA
 Center, TX
 Bullard, TX
 Tyler, TX
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 Spring, TX
 Spring, TX
 Tomball, TX
 Montgomery, TX
 Montgomery, TX
 The Woodlands, TX

SAM HOUSTON STATUE



Alongside Interstate 45 on the right as you head north into Huntsville, Texas a statue stands bigger than life of Sam Houston. Lovingly known to locals as “Big Sam”, a 67 foot tall image of Sam Houston stands greeting all who pass. In 1991, a planning commission gathered to review plans for Sam Houston’s bicentennial celebration on March 2, 1993. David Adickes, a locally born artist was in attendance at this meeting. David was a graduate of Sam Houston University in math and physics with study from the Kansas City Art Institute. Adickes, taught art at the University of Texas in Austin. David has been behind many works of art including “The Winds of Change” bronze sculpture of President George Bush, “Stone Trumpet” that resides along the Strand in Galveston, Texas and a 15 foot tall french telephone, a satirical portrait of Alexander Graham Bell.

The commission in their discussions had David suggest something really big and prominent be done here for Sam Houston’s tricentennial or his quincentennial celebrations. That is the genius of “A Tribute to Courage”, which stands for all here today, celebrating 25 years greeting all that pass, with each having a special love and salute for General Sam. October 22, 1994 the statue was dedicated. This date was chosen to celebrate the inauguration of Sam Houston becoming the first President of the Republic of Texas. Twenty five years later we came to celebrate this work with the artist on October 22, 2019. I was joined at the celebration by Sir Knight Denton Bryant, Lone Star #58 and others looking to restart the Henderson Yoakum. Chapter #21. It is said that the artist’s model for Big Sam currently is standing in front of the Steamboat House Steakhouse owned by Sir Knight Charles Fogerty.

SAM HOUSTON CHAPTER 38 - SAILOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS

CMC Sonnenberg:

It is with great pleasure that the Sam Houston Chapter of The Sons of the Republic of Texas can once again recognize two sailors onboard the USS San Jacinto through its Bobby R. Smith Enlisted Sailor of the Year Award. Beginning this year, we named the award after one of our longest standing chapter members and one of the original members who created this award. Since 1989, each chapter President that has come before me has had the distinct fortune and honor to bestow this award accordingly.

Unfortunately, Tropical Storm Imelda caused a significant flooding event across the Houston metro area resulting in the cancellation of the Texian Navy Day celebration; therefore, we were unable to formally announce Operations Specialist Petty Officer 1st Class, Carlos A. Dobbin II and Damage Controlman Petty Officer 2nd Class Karohn Walton as our 2019 winner and runner-up, respectively. We have since communicated their awards throughout The Sons of the Republic of Texas organization.

Through this award, we express our unwavering gratitude for their service to the United States of America as well as to Texas. Also, I want to express my thanks to both you and Captain Farrell for your leadership of these young sailors as well as allowing our Chapter to continue its annual award. I look forward to working with you both again next year.

DAVID CROCKETT CHAPTER #47



25th Anniversary Cake

The David Crockett Chapter of the Sons of the Republic of Texas recently celebrated its 25th year of activity in Granbury, Texas. Originally founded as the Davy Crockett Chapter on December 3rd, 1994 (the name was changed to the David Crockett Chapter in 2014), the chapter held a small gathering at the United Electric COOP's Community Room on November 16th to celebrate the special occasion. Many guests were invited, including regional and state SRT representatives, local government officials, members of other local historical organizations, and friends who have supported the chapter over the years. Entertainment was provided by one of the Chapter's Junior Members, National Fiddle Champion, Ridge Roberts.

The Chapter's last surviving charter member, Mr. Roy Malone of De Cordova Bend Estates, is proud to have been involved for so many years. "Early meetings were held at the railroad depot and later moved to local restaurants as the membership grew. I have enjoyed the meetings and seeing men join the group over the years. It has also been good to be able to occasionally donate to organizations such as Toys for Tots." Malone was one of the first officers of the chapter and one of only three original founding members.

During its 25 year history, the Chapter has volunteered many hours in service to community projects relating to history, including support of educational programs, events and assisting with projects such as the recent restoration of Hood County's Texas State Historical Markers. The David Crockett Chapter is proud of Granbury and its citizens and looks forward to continuing to strengthen their relationship with the community.



*Guests enjoy the music of
Ridge Roberts*



*Chapter President Devin Lindsey
cuts the cake*

In Memoriam

Name

M. H. Crockett Jr.
Nathan Woody Gann
Luman W. Holman
Sherman Kendall Jr.
Guy Willard Oliphint
Danny Earl Smith
Kenneth Sparks
Lonn Wood Taylor
Maurice McAshan Adams
Gary Ray Berryman
Benjamin Hayden Cook
Charles Bedford Ponder
Rollins S. Rubsamen
Robert C. Vivion



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98th ANNUAL MEETING FOR 2020 WILL BE HELD IN San Antonio

Make hotel reservations by calling:

Marriott Plaza San Antonio; 555 South Alamo Street, San Antonio, TX 78205;

[Book your group rate for Sons of the Republic of Texas](#) or Call Tiffany Moskowitz (210) 887-7383, Standard King & Doubles \$150.00+tax. Cutoff Date February 27, 2020.

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Committee Meeting Schedule of Events

Friday, March 20, 2020 - 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Hospitality Room

Saturday, March 21, 2020 - 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Executive Committee
(any member is welcome to attend but may not vote)

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Knights of the Order of San Jacinto (KSJ only)

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Summerfield G. Roberts Award Luncheon
(members & guests)
Dress: Jacket and Tie

2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Annual Meeting
(Members only)

4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. SRT Foundation Meeting

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Awards Banquet
Dress: Black Tie (optional)

Sunday, March 22, 2018 - 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting

SRT REGISTRATION FORM

This form must be received by February 21, 2020

SRT Registration (required, for member only) \$25.00 per member = \$ _____

SGR Luncheon \$45.00 pp X # _____ = \$ _____

Annual Meeting (members only) Indicate # _____

Annual Awards Banquet \$70.00 pp X # _____ = \$ _____

Grand Total: Make checks payable to SRT in the total amount of \$ _____

Names of those attending: _____

Mail to: SRT Office, 1717 8th Street, Bay City, TX 77414 February 21, 2020

BY LAW CHANGE

To more accurately reflect the responsibilities of the Administrative Assistant, The Sons of the Republic of Texas proposes the following changes to the Bylaws. To be voted on at Annual Meeting in March.

ARTICLE XI - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Section 11.1. Employment.

The Executive Committee may employ an individual as Office Manager at the SRT corporate office.

Section 11.2. Duties and Responsibilities.

Duties and responsibilities include:

- (a) Maintain the SRT books and records;
- (b) Receive and respond to correspondence and communications;
- (c) Accounts receivable and payables management and other necessary SRT accounting functions including payment processing and coordination with accounting firm to assure timely payment of taxes;
- (d) Maintain and manage membership records;
- (e) prioritize time to efficiently manage the office and responsibilities;
- (f) Record and transcribe the minutes of the Quarterly and Annual Meetings;
- (g) Report office or operational issues to President General or Executive Committee for resolution;
- (h) Coordinate with the Historian General in routing new applications through the approval process;
- (i) Prepare and forward certificates of membership to new Members;
- (j) Assemble articles and photographs for *The Texian*;
- (k) Manage store operations including PayPal account;
- (l) Manage temporary hires as necessary; and
- (m) Any other such duties as shall be assigned to the Office Manager by the President General.

Section 11.3 Bonding.

The Office Manager shall make a good and sufficient bond in such sum and in such terms as may be decided upon by the Executive Committee, the premium of which shall be paid from the funds of the SRT.

CONCEPCION



On October 28th members of the Alamo Chapter celebrated the 1835 Battle of Concepcion. At that battle the Texan Army scored a victory over a numerically superior Mexican force capturing two cannons. This led to the siege and Battle of Bexar where the Mexican army surrendered in December.

Calendar of Events

2020 Quarterly Meetings

June 5-6, 2020

Hampton Inn & Suites, 2605 Schulte Blvd;
Brenham, TX 77783; (979) 337-9898; King
\$129.00 + Tax, 2 Queen \$129. +Tax; Cutoff Date:
May 5, 2020. Please state you are with SRT.

2020 Annual Meetings

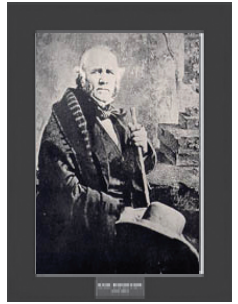
Mar. 20-22, 2020 Marriott Plaza San Antonio; 555 South Alamo St.,
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2020 SRT Events

March 2	Texas Independence Day
March 6	Fall of the Alamo
March 27	Goliad Massacre (Palm Sunday - 1836)
April 21	San Jacinto Day
August 5	Texas Ranger Day
September 19	Texian Navy Day (San Jacinto Ground Monument)
October 2	Battle of Gonzales
November 3	Stephen F. Austin's Birthday (Father of Texas)

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