

The San Jacinto Dispatch

Daughters of the Republic of Texas

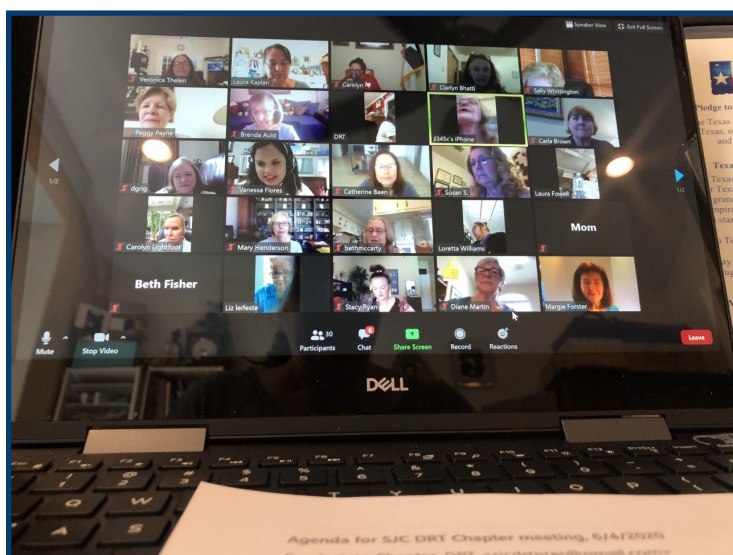


June 2020

Coming Up Next:

Enjoy your summer! We will keep you posted when our new 2020-2021 calendar is ready.

Second Chapter meeting via Zoom a success!



Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the San Jacinto Chapter had to host its June Chapter meeting via Zoom. We had several members join us and it was wonderful to see so many smiling faces during our meeting!

(not everyone who attended is pictured here)

Message from our President:

Hello, Ladies!

Well, it's our summer break! We don't have another Chapter meeting until October 1st, 2020! I have no idea if we will be ZOOMing again or if we will be back in our Log House, but I will let you know in September!

Our June 4th meeting was great! We were happy to see some familiar faces that we haven't seen in a while! I hope all of you are able to get Zoom over the summer just in case we still are in separation mode in the fall. We are working on getting WiFi at the Log House for some new security cameras, so we might be able to Zoom for those of you at home even if we are meeting at the Log House! At our meeting, we approved using Durio & Co., PC to prepare our chapter's Form 990 for this fiscal year and Carla Brown, retired CPA, to file our annual state sales taxes.

The work of our chapter continues this summer. The Board will be busy finishing the cleaning and reorganizing of the Log House, doing yard work, updating our Yearbook, writing for grants, and working on the restoration of two of our boulders near San Jacinto which have become illegible: the Santa Ana Capture Site and Vince's Bridge. Chevron will donate the funding for the Santa Ana Site and an anonymous member of our chapter has donated the money to restore Vince's Bridge!

Don't forget to send in your dues! Also, let me know now if you want to purchase a DRT bag, pin or red umbrella. Since there is no convention this year, we have excess of these items to sell! We also have extra copies of our book *The Ladies and the Battlefield*. The minutes of our meeting have a list of ways you can volunteer for our Chapter. Let's try to keep in touch over the summer. Stay safe, Ladies!

-Beth McCarty

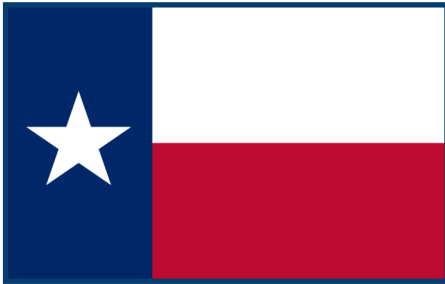


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Registrar's Review

At our June meeting, we approved Dianne Myers Stool as an Associate member of our chapter and Laura Davidson Fowell as a Prospective Member. Then we approved the transfers of three ladies from the William Barret Travis Chapter DRT in Austin to our chapter: Sarah Beeson, Nikki Wise, and Andrea Conklin.

Several new ladies joined our Zoom meeting and introduced themselves to us! We met Dianne Stool; Prospective members Laura Fowell, Stacy Ryan and Clarlyn Bhatti; and 3 of our newest members, Carla Brown, Vanessa Flores, and Debra Grigsby! Welcome to you all! We are thrilled by your interest in our chapter!



Support Our Chapter Raffle

Want to have the chance to take home these lovely reversible placemats, napkins and table runner? Purchase your raffle tickets at the next Chapter meeting or contact Luann Zacek about purchasing tickets.

1 ticket \$5

5 tickets for \$20

Raffle was going to take place during DRT's State Convention, but since Convention has been cancelled for 2020, we will hold the raffle at a later date.



Randalls

Kroger Community Rewards and Randalls grocery stores have given Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Pioneer Memorial Log House new numbers. Please check with your local Kroger to have your Kroger Plus Card updated for our new # RF149. Randalls donation card number is #14013 for the Pioneer Memorial Log House. You can request this number to be programmed onto your Randalls shopping card. Remember, you shop anyway, so this is a painless way for our chapter to receive a donation from Kroger and Randalls just because we shop. Every little bit helps!

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Early Texas Summer Recipes

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

Jelly Pie

This was a popular recipe in Burnet County, Texas, around the turn of the century.

- 4 eggs, separated
- 1 c. sugar
- 1 c. jelly
- 1/2 c. butter
- 1 unbaked pie shell

First Part: Cream butter and sugar. Add well-beaten egg yolks. **Secobd Part:** Beat egg whites until peaks are formed. Add jelly and continue beating until well mixed. Fold part 2 into part 1 and pour into shell. Bake in moderate oven until custard is firm.

Pastry Making

1850 - Asa Wright and John Lloyd Halliburton families

Cut in 1/2 lb. butter (1 cup) and 1/2 lb. lard (1 cup) into 1 lb. (4 cups) sifted flour. Add 1 cup of water (as cold as possible), 1/2 tsp. salt, and blend until the dough is not sticky, having board and pin well floured. Divide into 3 parts, then divide each part into 2 parts. Will make 3 double-crust pies, or 6 single-crust pies. Bake in hot oven.

[Pastry making was created in Paris in 1270 and extended all over the French Kingdom in 1566. Real pastry, as it is known today was created about 1790 and was not developed to its present-day standard of proficiency until the beginning of the nineteenth century. Pastry making was introduced in America by the Pilgrims, and its story is closely related to our traditions, customs, and progress.] Excerpt Taken from *A Pinch of This and a Handful of That - Historic Recipes of Texas 1830-1900*.

During this month in Texas history - June 1, 1963



In 1876, The Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas opened its doors with a student body of about forty men. It was to remain a bastion of men for nearly a hundred years. The Fifty-eight Legislature changed the name of the school to Texas A&M University and proposed another change: On June 1, 1963, a Limited Coeducational Policy was initiated which allowed the enrollment of wives and daughters of faculty, staff, employees and students. The "Maggie" was born. By 1970, A&M was fully coeducational.

[Excerpt taken from *The Book of Texas Days* by Ron Stone]



Good News from the Log House

The Log House has a new, vinyl kitchen floor. The pattern closely matches the 1936 wood floors. Buffalo Floors installed the floor, laying the floor in one piece—no seams. Quarter round trim was laid along the edges. The new floor lays smoothly up to the edge of the new dishwashers.

A grant from the Native Texas License Plate Fund will pay for the new floor. Thanks to Gwen Koch, 4th Vice President for Ways & Means, for pursuing this grant and handling the bid process.

This new floor was needed. Our old floor was just – old. Edges were curling due to lack of quarter round trim. A seam in the vinyl floor near the back door was damaged beyond repair due to scraping before the foundation was leveled.

The Log House Committee is investigating the installation of security cameras. Plans to investigate preservation of the logs of our house and to revitalize the grounds have been delayed due to the current emergency.

The Log House Committee is looking forward to the time when we can invite everyone back to the Log House to see the improvements. Chapter committee and board meetings originally scheduled for the Log House have become “Zoom” meetings or held with safe distancing observed. The monthly “Open House” public events have been cancelled.

Sharolyn Wood

5th Vice President

Chair, Pioneer Memorial Log House Committee



Our floors are getting some much needed TLC!



Such a good match with our current floor

PIONEER MEMORIAL LOG HOUSE

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

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 (4th Vice President – Ways and Means)
2015 Banks St., Houston, Texas 77098**

★★★★★★PMLH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES★★★★★★
How I can help:
<input type="checkbox"/> Restoration Projects
<input type="checkbox"/> Tours / Docents / Greet visitors at monthly Open House
<input type="checkbox"/> Assist with identifying craftsmen and professionals for maintenance projects
<input type="checkbox"/> Assist with opening log house for special events
<input type="checkbox"/> 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.

Items for Sale in Support of the Cancelled 2020 DRT General Convention

Gifts that were to be given at Convention registration included a Convention Pin and a red umbrella with “Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Houston, 2020” on it. Please refer to the pictures below:



The 2020 Convention pin may become a collector's item as it will be for the Convention that wasn't. And this is Houston – umbrellas are always needed!!

The cost is \$10 each. The monies raised from their sales will go toward offsetting the expenses already incurred for this Convention before being cancelled plus providing the seed money that has to be turned over to next year's Convention Committee. Your generous support is appreciated!

We will compile all of our chapter orders, then I will send in the order and a chapter check to cover it. The order will be delivered to or picked up by our chapter president, who will notify you of pick-up arrangements.

Deadline for receipt of your order is June 20, 2020. Return below section with your check

Name: _____

Phone: _____

#_____ 2020 Convention Pins at \$10 each = \$_____

#_____ 2020 Convention Umbrellas at \$10 each = \$_____

Total Enclosed = \$_____

Make check out to "_____ Chapter DRT" and mail to: _____



**San Jacinto Chapter
Daughters of the Republic of Texas
2020-2021 DUES NOTICE**



Please print

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip + 4 _____

Cell Phone _____ Phone _____

Life Member: YES NO

Marital Status: Single Divorced Widowed Married Spouse _____

Dues payment must be received by July 1 to be included in the 2020-2021 year book.
Dues received after July 1, 2020, will be delinquent; a \$25 fee is required by the state to be reinstated.

Checks will not be deposited until June 1

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 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 Contribution..... \$ _____

In Memory of: \$ _____

In Honor of \$ _____

Log House Contribution..... \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed..... \$ _____

**Make Check Payable to San Jacinto Chapter DRT and mail with this form to:
Roni Thelen, Treasurer 12014 Salt River Valley Ln Humble, TX 77346**

CHAPTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our chapter.

Current needs are listed below. Check those in which you may be interested.

- Hospitality Greeter/name tags Website Newsletters
- Assist with CRT programs & trips Music Photography Grounds/Gardening