A Sample of Activities

- Public Service Awards
- Speakers Bureau
- Lineage Workshops
- SAR Genealogy Assistants
- SAR Genealogical Research Library
- Patriotic Activities
- Texas DAR Activities
- Texas C.A.R. Programs
- Outstanding Am. History Teacher Contest
- Youth Outreach Programs
- JROTC/ROTC Awards
- Essay Contest for High School Students
- Essay Contest for 4-H Students
- Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest
- Middle School Brochure Contest
- 5th Grade Am. History Poster Contest
- SAR Color Guard
- Annual State and National Conventions



Compatriot Bill Covington presents a program on the Am Rev. Privateer Ship South Carolina

What Is The SAR?

The SAR is a historical, educational, and patriotic non-profit, United States 501 (c) (3) corporation that seeks to maintain and extend:

- the institutions of American freedom,
- an appreciation for true patriotism,
- a respect for our national symbols,
- the value of American citizenship,
- the unifying force of *e pluribus Unum* that has created, from the people of many nations, one nation and one people.

We do this by perpetuating the stories of patriotism, courage, sacrifice, tragedy and triumph of the men who achieved the independence of the American people in the belief that these stories are universal ones of man's eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each succeeding generation as it is also called upon to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions.

ARLINGTON CHAPTER #7 www.texassar.org/Arlington (scan for quick access)

Welcome to our open meetings each 2nd Sat. monthly; breakfast at 8:30 am, meeting at 9:00 am. Check our website for the location and other officers and chairmen

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TEXAS SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



Why Join?

As each day passes the information leading us to our historical roots fades into obscurity. As our elders pass and records are misplaced, family history is lost. Membership will keep your family's participation in the founding of our nation alive and in a place of honor that is safe for all future generations to access.

Who Can Join?

The Sons of the American Revolution, SAR, is a male service organization with membership lineage requirements. This means each member has traced their family tree back to a patriot ancestor who supported the cause of the American Independence during the years 1774 to 1783.

NATIONAL SOCIETY, Sons of the American Revolution



In 1876 there were many celebrations to commemorate the centennial of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. As part of this patriotic fervor, a group of men in the San Francisco California area who were descendants of patriots involved in the American Revolution formed an organization called the Sons of Revolutionary Sires. Their objective was to have a fraternal and civic society to salute those men and women who pledged their lives, fortunes and sacred honor to the battle for independence from Great Britain. They desired to keep alive their ancestors' story of patriotism and courage in the belief that it is a universal one of man's struggle against tyranny -- a story which would inspire and sustain succeeding generations when they would have to defend and extend our freedoms.

Out of the Sires grew the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, which was organized on April 30, 1889, the 100th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as our nation's first President. The National Society was chartered by an Act of the United States Congress on June 9, 1906. The charter was signed by SAR Compatriot and President Theodore Roosevelt.

Texas SAR

On December 9, 1896 the Galveston Daily News announced the organization of the Texas Society of Sons of the American Revolution. At the organizational meeting there were men from Galveston, Austin, Dallas, Weatherford, Eagle Pass, Fort Clark and other Texas cities. They formed the Bernardo de Galvez Chapter and selected the Honorable Ira H. Evans as the first state president. The first annual meeting of the Texas Society SAR was held on February 22, 1897 with fifteen members in attendance. By March the membership was up to twenty. There have been sixty-six Chapters formed in the state of Texas with forty-six still active. In the past 120 years, membership of the Texas Society has grown from the original fifteen to over 12,750.

Arlington Chapter #7

The Arlington Chapter was established in 1938 and reorganized in 1994. It is an active, patriotic and friendly organization. We are the DFW midcities chapter and have members from all over the area. Our chapter is thriving and growing.

We would be honored to assist you discover your lineage and determine your eligibility for membership. Open meetings are held the second Saturday monthly at a local restaurant for breakfast usually with a program and business meeting. Check out our website for more details. We cordially welcome you to attend and meet other patriotic and genealogy enthusiast.

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What to Expect at a Chapter Meeting

All meetings are open to Chapter and visiting Compatriots, prospective member candidates, and guests. We are an informal group and casual dress is the normal attire. We start with breakfast and conversation followed by a program and business meeting.

Meeting Format

- Invocation
- Pledges
- Introduction of guests
- Awards and Recognitions
- Speaker presentation
- Officer and Committee reports
- Old and New business
- Announcements
- SAR Closing Admonition
- Benediction



Dedication of Cemetery Markers for Past Texas State Presidents