

# The Sherman Sentinel

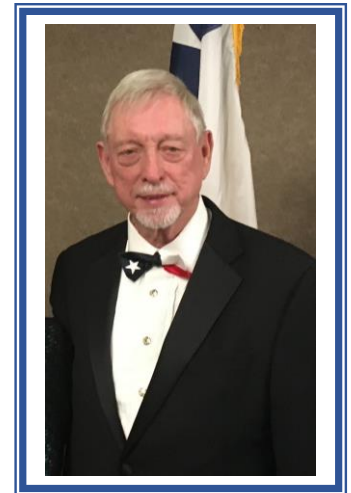
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SIDNEY SHERMAN CHAPTER, NO. 2 – GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

When news of the Battle at San Jacinto reached Galveston, the men there, the Texas government, those who had declared Independence for Texas at Washington on the Brazos and formed a new government were anxiously waiting. They too had been fleeing the approach of Santa Anna. President Burnet and the Texas government boarded the Yellowstone and went to the Battleground to celebrate with General Houston and the Texian Army.

General Houston who was badly wounded from a mini ball in the left ankle had negotiated a ceasefire with Santa Anna. This would later be formalized in the Treaty (and Secret Treaty) of Velasco signed on May 14, 1836.



Written by Thomas J. Rusk, Secretary of War, who participated in the Battle of San Jacinto

### THE DAY AFTER THE BATTLE

*The sun was sinking in the horizon as the battle commenced but at the close of the conflict, the sun of liberty and independence rose in Texas, never it is hoped to be obscured by the clouds of despotism.*

*We have read of the deeds of chivalry and perused with ardor the annals of war; we have contemplated with the highest emotions of sublimity, the loud roaring thunder, the desolating tornado, and the withering simoon of the desert but neither of these nor all inspired us with emotions like those on this occasion.*

*There was a general cry which pervaded the ranks. REMEMBER THE ALAMO, REMEMBER La BAHIA! These words electrified all. Onward was the cry. The unerring aim and irresistible force of the Texan army could not be withstood.*

*It was freeman fighting against the minions of tyranny and the result proved the inequality of such a contest.*

Immediately after the battle, General Houston sent a letter to the people of Texas,

“By the Blessing of God, the war is over, Return home, rebuild your Houses and fences, plant your corn, be free, prosper and happy”

Once word reached the people who had been fleeing East, they began their Westward trek back. As more news of the battle emerged, the families knew that few men had been lost, so most knew that they would see their husbands, sons, fathers and brothers again. As the people traveled back to their homes and land, they went with hope. The rains had lessened, the roads were less muddy and the weather was warmer. They planned to rebuild and make a new life for their families and descendants in this raw, rough frontier. They pledged to prosper in this fertile land of opportunity.

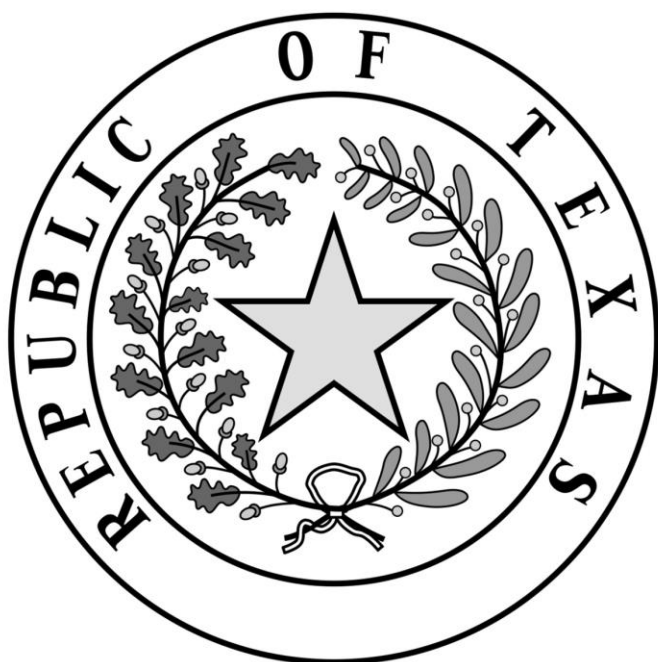
As we remember our ancestors and their struggles and sacrifices during the time of the Texas Revolution it is imperative that we follow our mission to

*perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved and maintained the Independence of Texas.*

*Victory at San  
Jacinto  
A New Republic  
is Born*



*Carl V. Hill,  
President*



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# APRIL MEETING



The April meeting was at Kelly's Restaurant. Randy Pollard, President General and Robyn Davis, San Jacinto District Representative gave presentations.

Randy Pollard spoke about the State of the SRT.



Robyn Davis, San Jacinto District Representative gave a Power Point presentation on the San Jacinto District.



Carl Hill swearing in new member Tim Rainey.



Carl Hill portraying Captain Mosely Baker as he gave a rallying speech to his company, around 3:00 p. m. on April 21, 1836. Captain Baker is credited with the Battle cry "Remember the Alamo and Remember Goliad".





# Upcoming Events

## **Sidney Sherman Chapter Meeting May 16, 2023**

Dr. Caroline Castillo Crimm was born and raised in Mexico City. She holds degrees from the University of Miami, Texas Tech and a Ph.D. in Latin American History from the University of Texas at Austin. After 40 years of teaching, she retired and was honored as Professor Emeritus from Sam Houston State University.

She was recently the Principal Speaker at the Official State of Texas 187<sup>th</sup> Commemorative Ceremony of the Battle of San Jacinto. She spoke on the Life of Deaf Smith. She will speak to our Chapter on Bernardo de Galvez.



## **Sidney Sherman Birthday Celebration**

### NOTE – CHANGE OF DATE JULY MEETING

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July 22, 2023, Saturday @ 6:00p.m. - We will host the first Sidney Sherman Birthday Celebration. Sherman was born on July 23, 1805 – 218 years ago.

The meeting date has been changed from July 18th to Saturday July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Paul Spellman, Ph.D., Texas History Professor, Wharton Junior College will be the speaker. Pacific Seafood in San Leon has been selected.



# Welcome New Member

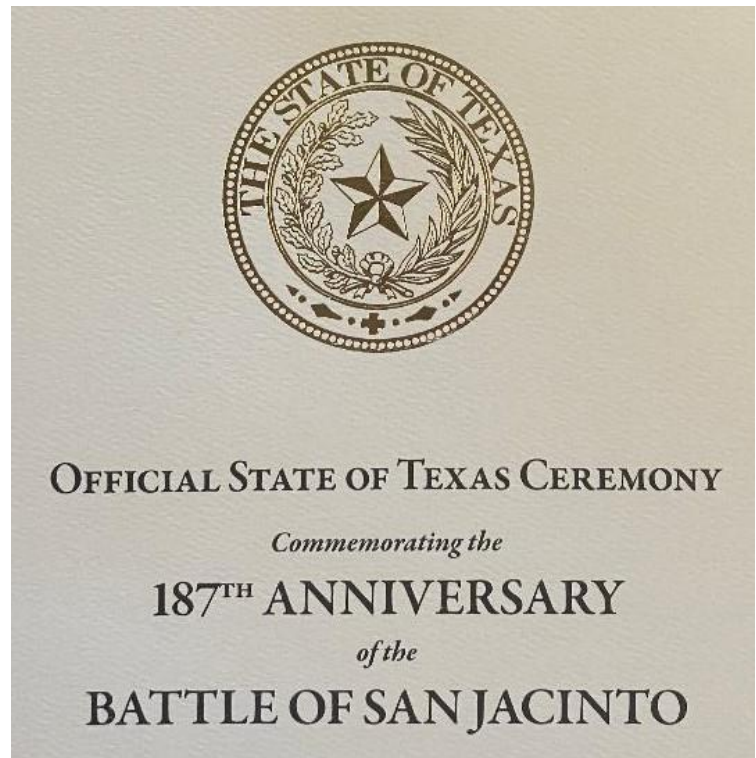
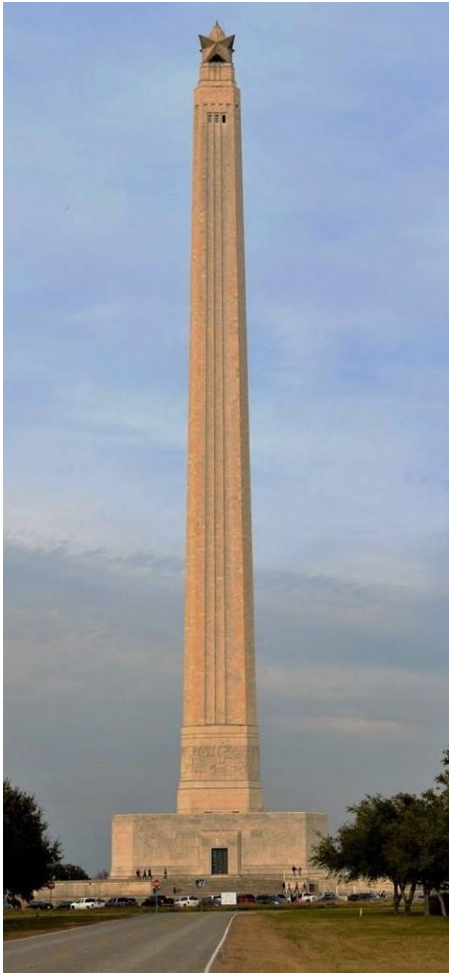
**A Big Texas Welcome  
to Jerry Wayne Long,  
who lives in Clyde,  
Texas.**



# SAN JACINTO

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*Victory at San Jacinto ~ ~ ~ A New Republic is Born*



Mark Wolfe, Executive Director, Texas Historical Commission gave the Welcome. Caroline Crimm, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus, Sam Houston State University was the Principal Speaker. She spoke on Deaf Smith and his role in the Texas Revolution.



The Texas SRT Color Guard  
Joe Weathersby, Carl Hill, David Hamanker,  
Dale Thames and Howard Rose



Steve Manis, Carl Hill, Ron Schoolcraft, Robert Schnuriger,  
Steve Nicol, Robert Gindratt and Robyn Davis



# Commemorating the most Significant Battle of the Western Hemisphere



At the close of the Ceremony the Memorial Wreath is laid while "Will you come to the Bower" is played. The Texas Army fires three salutes with "Rolling Thunder" also firing.

Lower left in picture – Dale Thames, Drum; Carl Hill, Fife and Frank McClain (not pictured) with the San Jacinto Flag.



Beth Fisher with Ron Schoolcraft and with Robert Gindratt.



Friday was also School Day at the Battleground. Hundreds of school children visit to learn about the Texas Revolution and Pioneer Life. Left -Carl Hill, as a soldier in the Texas Army with his display. Right – Robert Gindratt, Ron Schoolcraft and Billy Mayo.





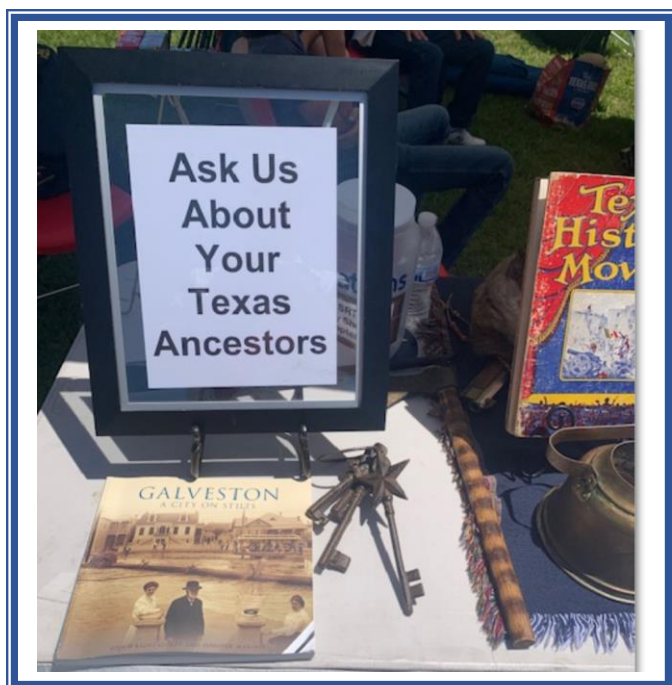
# San Jacinto Festival



Left to Right - Robert Schnuriger, Mike Mitchell, Robert Gindratt, Steve Nicol, Steve Manis, J. B. Klein, Billy Mayo and Carl Hill.



April 22 was a beautiful Saturday and thousands of people came out for the Festival and Reenactment of the Battle of San Jacinto. We were joined by other SRT chapters – Lone Star, Mirabeau B. Lamar, Sam Houston, Stephen F. Austin and Deaf Smith. It was a great day as we promoted Texas history to our school children and the community at large fulfilling our mission.

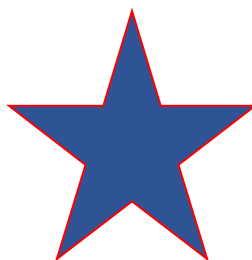




# Defending Texas



Albert Seguin  
visiting the Camps.





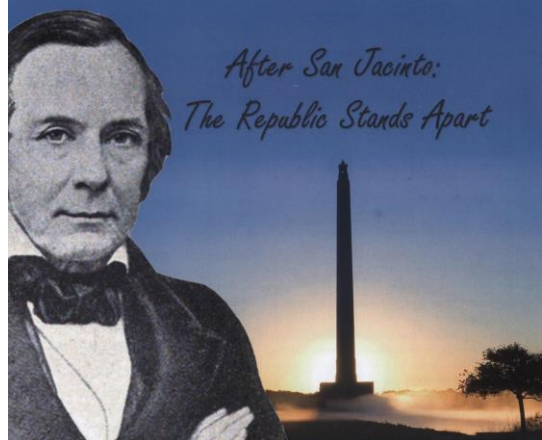


# Keeping Texas History Alive



## 22nd Annual San Jacinto Symposium

April 28-30, 2023



Eron Tynes and Albert Seguin at the San Jacinto Symposium, San Jacinto College.



Battleship Texas  
Regatta Fundraiser –  
Houston Yacht Club.

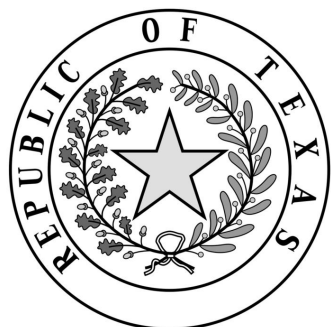


Chester Barnes,  
Paula Morris, Jeff  
Corbin, Eron Tynes  
and Carl Hill.



Joining the Deaf Smith  
Chapter for the Sylvan  
Beach Day Parade.

Robert Schuniger, Robert  
Gindratt and Steve Manis





# A Texas Honor Day

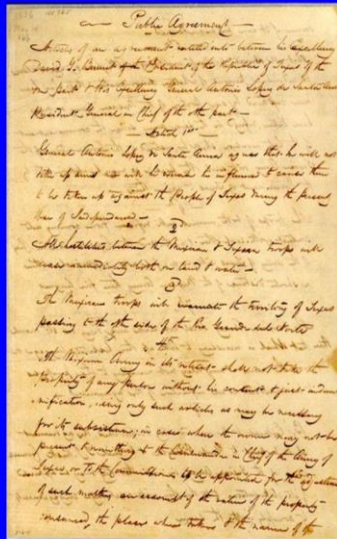
## Treaty of Velasco

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- After San Jacinto, Santa Anna was forced to sign the Treaty of Velasco. This treaty ended the Texas Revolution and gave Texas its independence.
- It had two parts, one public and one secret:



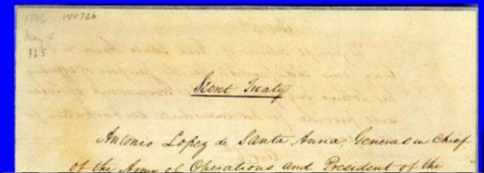
Santa Anna



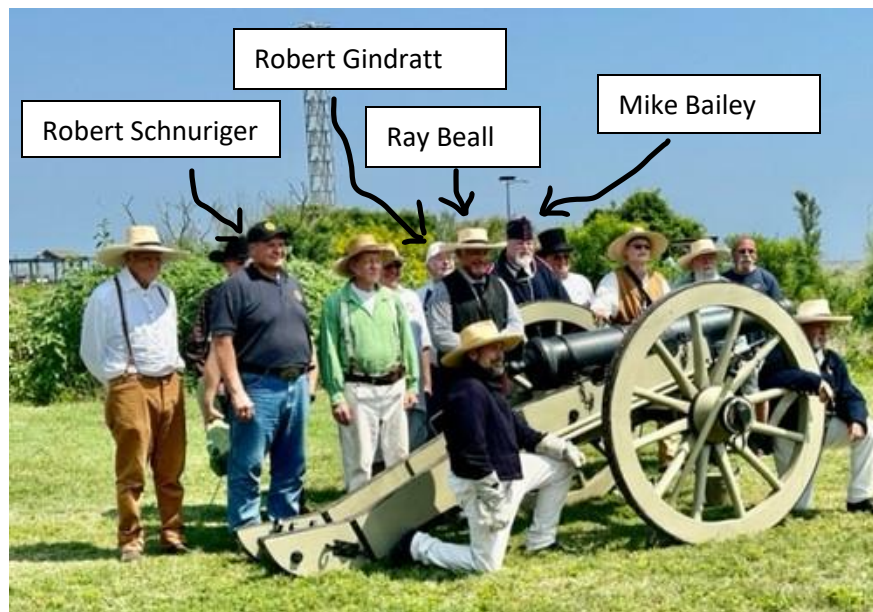
### Public and Secret

The public part of the treaty made Santa Anna agree to never fight against Texas again and to withdraw all troops out of Texas.

The secret part of the treaty made Santa Anna promise to get Mexico to recognize Texas independence and set the southern border of Texas as the Rio Grande.



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Re-enactment of the Signing of the Treaties of Velasco.



Robert Schnuriger and Ray Beall,  
President, Stephen F. Austin Chapter



# Preserving Texas History

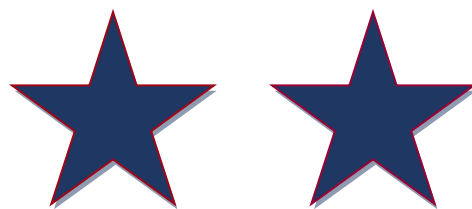
## Cleaning the Isaac Batterson Home Historical Marker located at the Galena Park City Hall.



Robert Schnuriger



Steve Manis and Robyn Davis



# ANNUAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2023

## **MAY 14, 2023**

## **TREATY OF VELASCO**

May 16, 2023      Chapter Meeting      Speaker – Carolina Castillo Crimm, Phd.

June 20, 2023      Chapter Meeting      Speaker – Mike Bailey, Curator  
Brazoria County Historical Museum

July 22, 2023      Sidney Sherman  
Birthday Dinner      Speaker - Paul N. Spellman, Ph.D.  
Texas History Professor  
Wharton Junior College

August 15, 2023      Chapter Meeting      Speaker – Amy Rogers, Executive Director  
San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site

September 19, 2023      Chapter Meeting      Speaker - Justice Ken Wise  
14th Court of Appeals

## **SEPTEMBER 17, 2023**

## **TEXIAN NAVY DAY**

**San Jacinto Battleground**

## **SEPTEMBER 18, 2023**

## **TEXAS HEROES DAY**

## **OCTOBER 2, 2023**

## **GONZALES DAY**

October 17, 2023      Chapter Meeting      Speaker – Charles Herbert, Author  
“On The Run”

**October 17, 2023**

**Burnet-Sherman Marker Ceremony**

## **NOVEMBER 3, 2023**

## **STEPHEN F. AUSTIN’S BIRTHDAY**

November 21, 2023      Chapter Meeting      Speaker - TBD

## **DECEMBER 9, 2023**

## **SEIGE OF BEXAR**

**December 12, 2023**

**Third Annual Christmas Party**



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*God Bless  
Texas*