



The Sherman Sentinel

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

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2025

President's Message

As I write my last President's Message, I have been reflecting back on the past two years. It has been a fun filled and rewarding time as we have all worked together to promote Texas History as we honor our ancestors.

Over the past two years, I have been blessed to have worked with such a dedicated Executive Committee - Robert Schnuriger, First Vice President; Robert Gindratt, Second Vice President; Clark Wright, Secretary; Steve Nicol, Registrar; Larry Armstrong, Quartermaster; Ron Schoolcraft, Past President; along with Jess Colwell, Treasurer (2024) and Billy Mayo, Treasurer (2023).

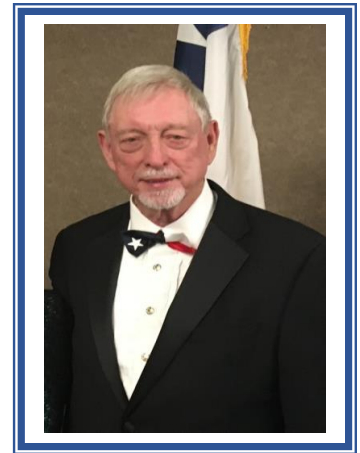
Together we have accomplished much over the past two years. We began the tradition of hosting the Annual Sidney Sherman Birthday Dinner Celebration. This past summer we had approximately 60 persons attend including other DRT and SRT members in the area. We established the "Keeping Texas History Alive Education Project" and have delivered Texas history books to various Elementary Schools and Libraries in Galveston County.

Our *Sherman Sentinel* Newsletter has served us well by keeping the membership informed of chapter activities and recording many of the events. We initiated a Patriot Corner where members could submit articles about their ancestors. The Annual Burnet-Sherman Gravesite Ceremony sponsored by our Chapter is also well attended by other SRT and DRT members. This ceremony is one of four ceremonies held annually to honor the four Presidents of the Republic of Texas.

Throughout the year, our chapter has been well represented at the various Texas Honor Days - Lamar Day, Texas Statehood Day, Texas Independence Day, Alamo Day, Goliad Day, San Jacinto Day, Treaty of Velasco, Texian Navy Day and Stephen F. Austin's birthday. We also sponsored a booth during the San Jacinto School Day and Festival Day.

Over the past two years at the joint DRT/SRT Chili Cook-off, we have had several members participate with their Chili teams. Robert Schnuriger - with the slogan "Twin Sisters Texas Best". Carl Hill with the All Star Chili Team and Christie Erickson with her "Hip slapping, Rip Roaring, Chili". Robert Gindratt hosted a table with children's games from the 1830's. I was honored to portray Stephen F. Austin at the Chili Cook-Off.

In addition, the chapter has participated in several parades, The Texas City Mardi Gras Parade, The Galveston County Rodeo Parade, the Fourth of July Parade in Galveston and the Texas City Christmas Parade. In the 2023 Texas City Christmas Parade, our chapter took first place in the Individual Entry Category. We were presented with a trophy and a cash prize of \$300.00. At the 2024 SRT Annual Meeting, the Chapter's Scrapbook took first place in its category. Mike Wilson, KSJ, First Vice President General presented the Chapter with a certificate and \$100.00



As I reflect back on the past two years, one significant theme became evident early on and has held true throughout the past two years- how strong our Chapter is. I see great things ahead, for our Chapter in the coming years, as we are all so committed to working together and promoting *Keeping Texas History Alive*. Our new Executive Committee is a group of hard working and very dedicated men - Robert Schnuriger, President; Tim Rainey, First Vice President, Robert Gindratt, Second Vice President; Clark Wright, Secretary-Treasurer; Steve Nicol, Registrar; and Larry Armstrong, Quartermaster.

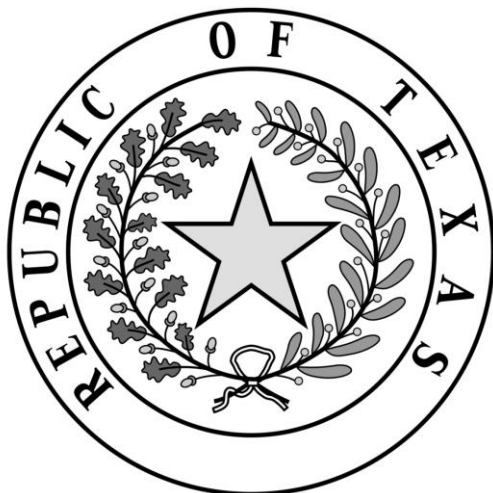
Lastly, I want to say that I deeply appreciate all your dedication and support for the past two years. It has truly been an honor and privilege to serve as your President, one that I will never forget. I cherish the friendships that we have formed and the camaraderie that we have experienced.

As my term ends and a new one begins, it is important that we work together to preserve the rich heritage of the Sidney Sherman Chapter, No. 2., The Sons of the Republic of Texas and honoring our Patriot Ancestors. Being descended from the men and women who achieved and maintained the Independence of Texas is the tie that truly binds us all together. As always we have our mission to

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

God Bless Texas

*Carl V. Hill,
President*



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Sidney Sherman Chapter January Meeting

The January, 2025 meeting will be **January 21, 2025** at Kelley's Country Cookin Restaurant, La Marque. We will gather at 5:30 p.m. with the meeting starting at 6:00 p.m. Our speaker will be Robert Revilla, who portrays Santa Anna.

In addition, our January meeting will be the Installation of our new Officers.



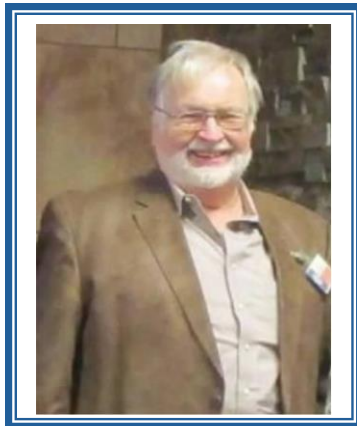
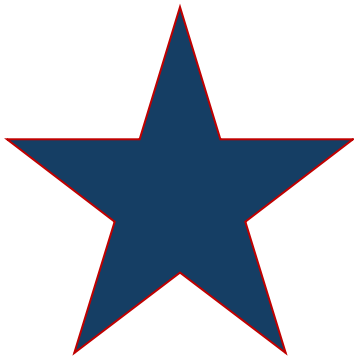
Robert Schnuriger
President



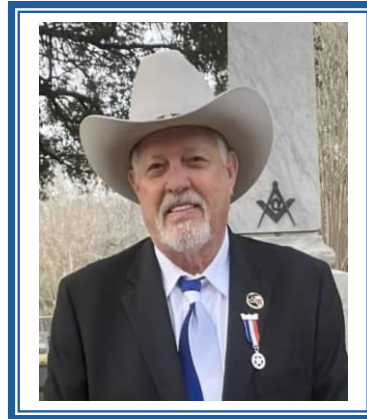
Tim Rainey
First Vice President



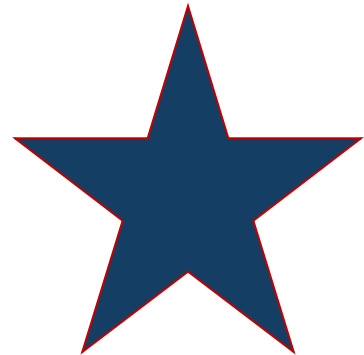
Robert Gindratt
Second Vice President



Above Left – Clark Wright,
Secretary - Treasurer



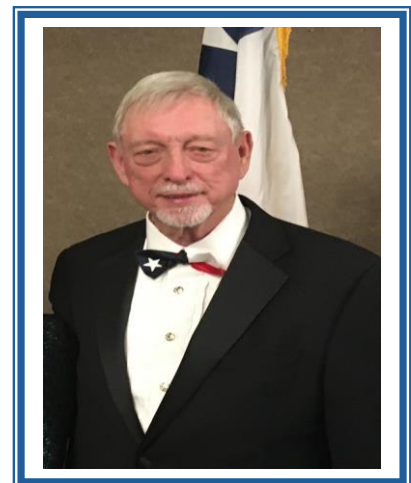
Above Right – Steve Nicol,
Registrar



Left – Larry Armstrong,
Quartermaster



Right – Carl Hill, Past President



Fly your Texas Flag

Please note that the Lamar Day Ceremony will be held Monday, January 27, 2025. The Official Texas Honor Day is Sunday, January 26, 2025.

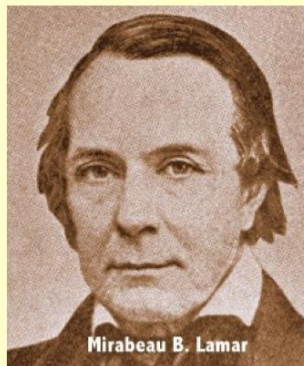
LAMAR DAY

JANUARY 27, 2025

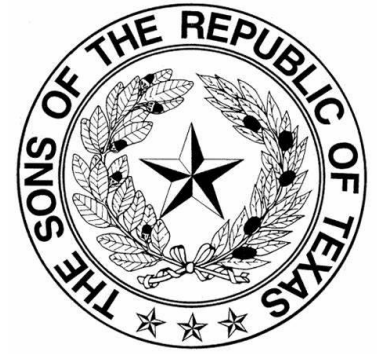
JOIN US IN HONORING MIRABEAU B. LAMAR,
SECOND PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
TEXAS, EXCEPTIONAL SCHOLAR AND
STATESMAN, AND EARLY RESIDENT OF
RICHMOND AND FT BEND COUNTY.

A GRAVESIDE CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 10:30AM,
MONDAY, JANUARY 27TH, AT MORTON
CEMETERY IN RICHMOND.

COME SHOW YOUR TEXAS PRIDE IN ONE OF OUR
OWN,
MIRABEAU B. LAMAR.



Dues are Due



Gentlemen,
Please let your Chapters know the dues for 2025 are in process and will be later this year. The mailed copy may not get to them before the New Year. There are two options they can pay on the website at the store, or they can wait for the hard copy of the dues notice by mail. We have extended to date. Chapters your Annual Reports are still dues January 31, 2025, with a copy of your December bank statement.

Merry Christmas,
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Left – Email from Janet Knox regarding Dues Payments

It's Mardi Gras Time

Join the Sidney Sherman Chapter No. 2, for the Texas City Annual Mardi Parade. The parade is at noon on Saturday, February 8th. The route begins at Carlos Garza Park and travels down Palmer and ends on 6th street.

We will gather at 10:30a.m. at Carlos Garza Park to decorate the float and have snacks. If you plan to ride in the parade, please contact Robert Schnuriger at rschnuriger@gmail.com.



Sidney Sherman Chapter

February 18th Meeting

Robyn Davis will present a program on Historical Marker Restoration. For the past several years Robyn has been involved with restoring several Historical Markers around the Houston area. Robyn is currently serving on The Sons of the Republic of Texas Executive Committee as a Committeeman and is a Past President of the Deaf Smith Chapter.

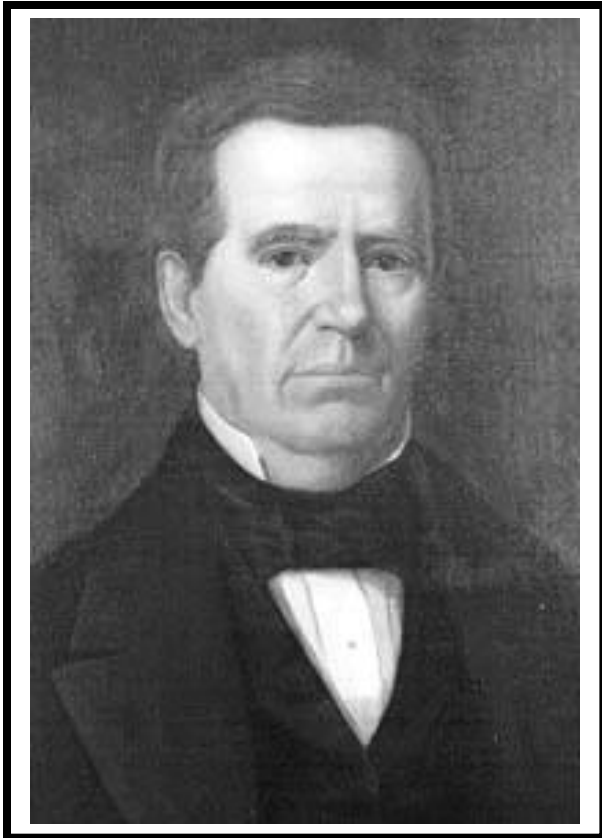


Grace Christian Academy

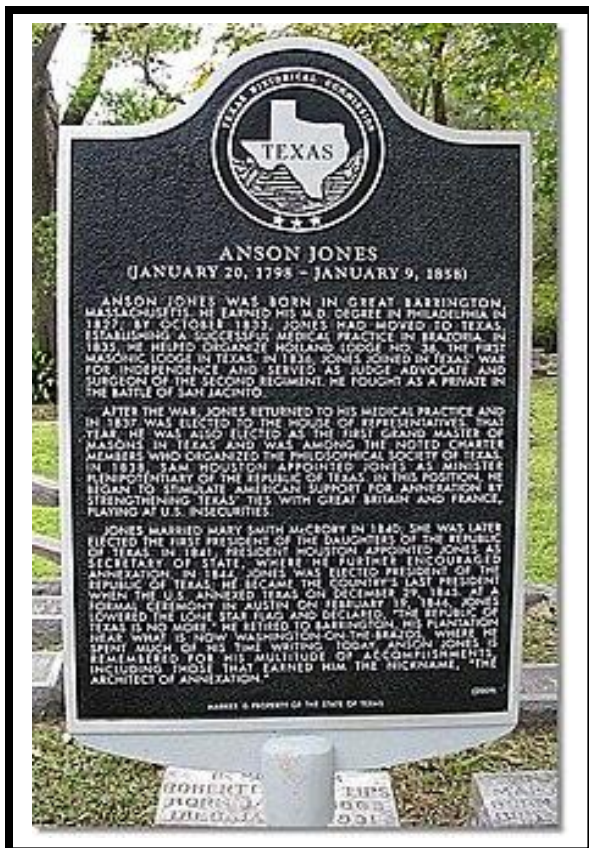
Carl Hill and Eron Tynes presented a program on *San Jacinto, the Battle and the Battleground* to the History Club at Grace Christian Academy. Grace Christian Academy is located in Clear Lake City. Most of the students had been to the Battleground and were enthusiastic about learning more about the Battleground.



Texas Statehood Day



Anson Jones – Last President of the Republic of Texas



"The Republic of Texas is no more"

... as Anson Jones lowered the Texas Flag on February 19, 1846.



This Texas Honor Day Event will be held at the Anson Jones grave marker in Glenwood Cemetery, 2525 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007 on Wednesday, February 19, 2025. The time of the ceremony will be at 2:00 p.m. and is sponsored by the Sam Houston Chapter, SRT. Dr. Anson Jones served as the last President of the Texas Republic before it became a part of the United States.

Chandler Wahrmund, Lead Interpreter, Texas Historical Commission will be the Keynote Speaker. The San Jacinto Chapter, DRT will also lay a wreath in honor of Anson Jones and his wife, Mary Smith Jones, who was the first President of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. During the Texas Revolution, Dr. Jones served as a judge advocate and surgeon to the Texas Army, though he insisted on holding the rank of private throughout the Revolution. After the war, Dr. Jones returned to Brazoria and resumed his medical practice.

During the days of the Republic he served as Minister to the United States during President Sam Houston's first term and then later on as Secretary of State.

ANNUAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2025

January 21, 2025

Chapter Meeting
Robert Revilla
As Santa Anna

JANUARY 26, 2025

MIRABEAU B. LAMAR DAY
Father of Texas Education

JANUARY 27, 2025

MIRABEAU B. LAMAR
Graveside Ceremony

February 18, 2025

Chapter Meeting - TBD

FEBRUARY 19, 2025

TEXAS STATEHOOD DAY

MARCH 2, 2025

TEXAS INDEPENDENCE DAY

MARCH 6, 2025

ALAMO HEROES DAY

MARCH 27, 2025

GOLIAD HEROES DAY

March 28-30, 2025

SRT Annual Meeting
College Station, Tx



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