



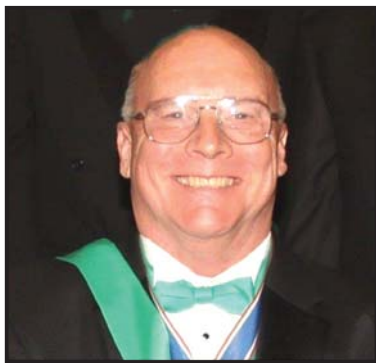
HUNDREDS HONOR BLAS HERRERA



On November 2nd, sixteen members of the SRT along with Herrera family members and The Former Texas Rangers Association honored the memory of Blas Herrera, Republic of Texas Army veteran and Texas Ranger. Herrera fought at the Battle of Bexar in 1835, was a scout in Juan Seguin's command and was credited with bringing word of the approach of Santa Anna's army to Bexar in February 1836. He was at the Battle of San Jacinto and served in the Texas Rangers in the late 1830's. His grave site near San Antonio was the site of a Ranger Cross dedication on this same date. Mike Young of the Moses Austin chapter was the Master of Ceremonies. Jason Torres, Ken Pfeiffer, Carlos Torres, Chris Lancaster, Hector Pacheco, Ed Heath, Hank Ortega (pictured), George Harcourt, Jason Chall, Joe Lopez, Ken McAnear, Johnny Brannan, Al Davis, Jimmy Peet,

Art Martinez de Vara (Mayor of Von Ormy) and John Hinnant all of the Alamo Chapter were in attendance. Several Alamo Chapter members are direct descendants of Blas.

PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE



Robert Kendall, KSJ

The joyous season of Christmas and the festive time of the New Year has passed. I hope that each and everyone of you and your families enjoyed the time. I would like to thank all the members, Chapter officers and the National Executive committee for all they have done to keep the S.R.T. alive and growing.

The months of November and December were with Chapter programs and election of Chapter officers. In early December, the 4th quarter meeting was held in Victoria. Everyone there

enjoyed a good time at the Hospitality room, thanks to Ron Brown and his committee, and thru the scuttlebutt, I understand that everyone enjoyed their Friday night meals. On Saturday morning we had a very good meeting, with some by-laws changes being introduced. We also had three new honorary members elected and one new Knight elect chosen. These gentlemen will be introduced and voted at the upcoming annual meeting in April. That Saturday afternoon everyone enjoyed a wonderful program at the Presidio La Bahia. Sir Knight Scott Dunbar, chairman of the Presidio La Bahia Committee, introduced Bishop Fellhauer who gave the invocation. Then

Scott gave the second place award to Mr. De Vara and the first place award went to Mr. Matovina and Mr. de la Teja. Mr. de la Teja is a three time winner of this award. Congratulations!

We need to remember the passing of Sir Knight Newton M. Warzecha. Newton was the director of the Presidio La Bahia and was a friend to many of the Sons.

I know we are all looking towards a happy and prosperous New Year. The Sons of the Republic of Texas, I know will keep up the good work that they have been doing. Just a few items that will start off our honoring historical New

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## JANET's Korner

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- The Annual Meeting is April 10-12, 2015, at the Sheraton Fort Worth Hotel & Spa, 1701 Commerce St., Fort Worth, TX 76102, (817) 335-7000, Rates: \$119.00 + tax, cutoff date March 24, 2015. Please identify yourself as SRT.
- Be thinking about submitting a nomination for the **Educator of the Year** Award to be presented at the Annual Meeting in 2015. Deadline is **February 13, 2015**. Please mail to the National office. The criteria for the award is available from the National office or on the website on the "Members Only" tab under SRT Policies.
- The Topic for the Texas History Essay Contest is: "The Battle of Coleto and Goliad Massacre." Brochures are available at the National office and on our website; go to "Community" tab then under High School Contest. Deadline is January 31, 2015.
- Dues have been mailed, if you did not receive a dues notice please email me at [aa-srt@son-rep-texas.net](mailto:aa-srt@son-rep-texas.net) and I will send you one. You can mail or go to our website to pay your dues with PayPal. Your dues are now late, but pay before March 31, 2015, and you will not have to pay the reinstatement fee which is \$50.00 plus \$40.00 for current 2015 dues.
- 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](mailto:aa-srt@son-rep-texas.net). I will be submitting the April issue for publication; the deadline for submissions is April 24, 2015.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2014 - 2015



*Left to right front row:*

*David Stone, Chaplain General; Bob Steakley, First Vice President General; Robert Kendall, KSJ, President General, Edward A. Heath, Second Vice President General; and Janet Knox, Administrative Assistant.*

*Left to right back row:*

*Kenneth W. Pfeiffer, Treasurer General; David Hanover, KSJ, PPG, Executive Committeeman; Joe R. Davidson, KSJ, Executive Committeeman; William D. Power, Secretary General; Randy Pollard, Historian General.*

## DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES 2014 - 2015



*Left to right front row:*

*Arthur O. Evans, Gulf Coast District; Bob Steakley, Frontier District; William D. (Buddy) Power, North East District; and Ronald W. Brown, San Jacinto District.*

*Left to right back row:*

*Tom Gann, Piney Woods District; Tim Gibson, North Central District, John W. Knox Post Oak District, and John Meredith, Lone Star District Representative. (Not shown, Jim Massingill, Heart Of Texas District; and George Nelson, Brazos Valley District.)*

# ANNUAL BEN MILAM REMEMBRANCE



Every December 7th the Alamo Chapter honors the memory of Ben Milam at his grave in Milam Park in downtown San Antonio. In December 1835 just as the siege of Gen. Cos' Mexican army in San Antonio was about to be lifted Ben Milam issued his challenge - "Who will go with old Ben Milam into San Antonio?" The attack started the next morning. Ben was killed as more of the town fell into Texan hands. Two days later Gen. Cos surrendered the town, the Alamo and his army. Without Ben's heroism Santa Anna would not have had to lay siege to the Alamo two months later and who knows what the result of his march to the Sabine would have been.

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## PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE

Year, in March we have Texas Independence Day, the Fall of the Alamo, and the Goliad Massacre. In April we can all look forward to the annual meeting being held in Fort Worth. It will be held at the Sheraton Fort Worth Hotel and Spa. The dates are April 10-12, 2015. Make your reservations!!! I am looking forward to seeing everyone and sharing their friendship at this great event.

Once again I would like to thank everyone for their help in keeping the history of the Republic of Texas and the Sons of the Republic of Texas alive and in the minds and hearts of everyone.

God Bless America  
God Bless Texas

## Constitution and Bylaws Proposed Changes for April 11, 2015, Annual Meeting (if approved, for vote by Members at April 11, 2015, Annual Meeting)

**PURPOSE:** The SRT Constitution lists awards under "Section 15.1. Awards." The SRT Bylaws refer to some of those awards in specific monetary amounts under "Section 10.1. Awards." Specifically, (a) Chapter Archives Award; (f) Presidio La Bahia Award; (g) Summerfield G. Roberts Award; and (i) William Gordon Bachman Award state the monetary amounts. NOTE: "(d) Educator of the Year Award." and "(h) Texas History Essay Contest Award." make no reference to monetary amounts; those award amounts are stated in the SRT Procedures Manual. In the future, contingent on both Executive Committee approval and outside funding sources, it may be appropriate to consider larger monetary amounts for some of the awards.

Applicable to all awards with monetary amounts, state that in the event of no winner for any award or category, the cash award lapses.

### **CURRENT BYLAWS:**

Section 10.1. Awards.

### **PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE #1:**

Section 10.1. Awards.

**Should no winner be selected for any award or category, the cash award lapses.**

### **CURRENT BYLAWS:**

(a) Chapter Archives Award.

(2) . . . The certificate and a One Hundred Dollar (\$100) check is presented at the Annual Meeting banquet.

### **PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE #2:**

(a) Chapter Archives Award.

(2) . . . The certificate and a **check in the amount of at least** One Hundred Dollars (\$100) ~~check is~~ **are** presented at the Annual Meeting banquet.

**CURRENT BYLAWS:**

(f) Presidio La Bahia Award.  
... The first place winner shall receive a check in the amount of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200) and the Presidio La Bahia medal. The second place winner shall receive a check in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). The third place winner shall receive a check in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300). Should no winner be selected for any category, the cash award lapses.

**PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE #3:**

(f) Presidio La Bahia Award.  
... The first place winner shall receive a check in the amount of **at least** One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200) and the Presidio La Bahia medal. The second place winner shall receive a check in the amount of **at least** Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). The third place winner shall receive a check in the amount of **at least** Three Hundred Dollars (\$300). ~~Should no winner be selected for any category, the cash award lapses.~~

**CURRENT BYLAWS:**

(g) Summerfield G. Roberts Award.  
... The awardee shall receive a check in the amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) and the Summerfield G. Roberts medal.

**PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE #4:**

(g) Summerfield G. Roberts Award.  
... The awardee shall receive a check in the amount of **at least** Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) and the Summerfield G. Roberts medal.

**CURRENT BYLAWS:**

(i) William Gordon Bachman Award.  
... This Chapter shall receive a certificate and a One Hundred Dollar (\$100) check. . .

**PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE #5:**

(i) William Gordon Bachman Award.  
... This Chapter shall receive a certificate and a **check in the amount of at least** One Hundred Dollars (\$100) ~~check~~. . .

*In Memoriam*

Name	Chapter	Hometown
Sterlin E. Barton		Thrall, TX
Dr. Gregory Timothy Hector		Lohn, TX
Marcellus Van Hook Howard III	7	Savannah, GA
Walton Harold Mayfield, Jr.	8	Allen, TX
John Thomas McCoy	7	New Orleans, LA
William Stiles Morrow	1	Vega, TX
Forrest Gray Spindle	1	Houston, TX
Dr. W. Oren Swearingen, Jr.	14	College Station, TX
Arthur Lewis Adams, Jr.	16	Arlington, TX
Jimmie Ray Barker	22	Bastrop, TX
Herbert James Bilhartz	12	Hutto, TX
Virgil Wiley Ellis	36	Roanoke, TX
George Alton Kelton	36	Henrietta, TX
William Arthur Lucas	57	San Antonio, TX
Lowell D. Stephens	40	Alamogorda, NM
Fred Ray Weitzel	40	Inez, TX



## 93<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING FOR 2015 WILL BE HELD IN Fort Worth

**Make hotel reservations by calling:** Sheraton Fort Worth Hotel and Spa; 1701 Commerce St. Fort Worth, TX (888)627-8556. Rate \$119. +Tax; **Cut-off for rooms is March 25, 2015**

### Schedule of Events

#### Friday, April 10, 2015

4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Hospitality Room \$10.00 per person (advance only)  
Dress: Casual

#### Saturday, April 11, 2015

8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting (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)  
SRT Foundation

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Summerfield G. Roberts Award Luncheon (members & guests)  
Dress: Jacket and Tie \$30.00 per person (**advance only**)

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

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Awards Banquet \$35.00 per person (**advance only**)  
Dress: Black Tie (optional)

#### Sunday, April 12, 2015

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting

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### SRT REGISTRATION FORM

This form must be received by March 18, 2015

SRT Registration (required, for member only)	\$25.00 per member = \$ _____
Friday Night Hospitality	\$10.00 pp X # _____ = \$ _____
SGR Luncheon	\$30.00 pp X # _____ = \$ _____
Annual Meeting (members only)	Indicate # _____
Annual Awards Banquet	\$35.00 pp X # _____ = \$ _____
Grand Total:	Make checks payable to SRT in the total amount of \$ _____

Names of those attending: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: SRT Office, 1717 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Bay City, TX 77414 by March 18, 2015**

# NEW SRT MEMBERS

Name	Chapter	Ancestor	Hometown
R. B. Chambers		Gordan C. Jennings	Austin, TX
Stephen Randall Hearn		John Newton Fall	Chireno, TX
Warren Thomas Kramer		Lewis Stoner	Rockport, TX
John David Mauldin		John Yeary	Warner Robins, GA
Calvin Jackson Mauldin, Jr.		John Yeary	Warner Robins, GA
Adam Zachary Mauldin		John Yeary	Warner Robins, GA
Michael Craig Christian	1	James Thomas Christian	Flower Mound, TX
Michael Duane Christiansen	1	John Blake Gray	St. Pertersburg, FL
Stephen Edward Gorman	1	Martin Parmer	Garland, TX
James Lyle Johnson	1	David George	Houston, TX
Erik Harland Larsen	1	Harvey (Henry) Boggs	Jenks, OK
Calvin Roscoe McWilliams	1	Richard Hooper	Whitehouse, TX
David Lee Peavy	1	Richard Sparks	Houston, TX
Richard Alan Powell	1	Joseph Barbee	Houston, TX
Sam William Rogers, Jr.	1	Janes Rogers	Houston, TX
William Harris Underwood	1	Ammon Underwood	Houston, TX
Carson Pollard Underwood	1	Ammon Underwood	Houston, TX
Andrew Glenn Varner	1	George Chester Kimbell (Kimble)	Bellaire, TX
John Leslie Walton, Jr.	1	Elijah Clark	Houston, TX
Robert Sherar Frost	5	Dr. Johnson Calhoun Hunter	Simonton, TX
Douglas Dean Scott	5	Robert S. Wheat	Richmond, TX
Christopher John Goetz	8	Jose Nepomunceno Navarro	Dallas, TX
William Joseph Hoffman, Jr.	8	Jose Nepomunceno Navarro	Dallas, TX
Sean Luke Hoffman	8	Jose Nepomunceno Navarro	Dallas, TX
Clayton Leonard Jones	8	Tyre Elias Narramore	McKinney, TX
Eric Leonard Jones	8	Tyre Elias Narramore	McKinney, TX
Bobby Eugene Mauldin	8	John Yeary	Dallas, TX
Jack Ray Tinsley	8	Gordon Cartwright Jennings	Dallas, TX
William Ross Davis	12	Holland Livingston Anderson	Cedar Park, TX
William Robert Davis	12	Holland Livingston Anderson	Cedar Park, TX
Kerry Travis Lucas	12	James McCain Hughes	Austin, TX
Andrew Jackson McVeigh IV	12	Jesse Burdett	The Hills, TX
Eric Powell Miller	12	Robert Rankin	Austin, TX
Terry Nelson Rosser	14	William Solmon Busby	College Station, TX
Christopher James Goetz	17	Jose Nepomunceno Navarro	Corpus Christi, TX
Jacob John Goetz	17	Jose Nepomunceno Navarro	Corpus Christi, TX
Andrew Shawn Goetz	17	Jose Neomunceno Navarro	Corpus Christi, TX
Gerald Shawn Goetz	17	Jose Neoimunceno Navarro	Corpus Christi, TX
Robert Mark Wilson DDS	26	Walker B. Wilson	Overland Park, KS

# NEW SRT MEMBERS

Name	Chapter	Ancestor	Hometown
Jack Wakelyn Pryor, Jr.	28	John L. Marshall	Lumberton, TX
Chase Wakelyn Pryor	28	John L. Marshall	Lumberton, TX
Philip Cole Kojak	33	William Isaac Pace	Beaumont, TX
James Allen Vester, Jr.	36	Alfred (Alf) Lane	Tulsa, TX
George Palmer Foulds	40	Andrew Jackson Kent	Bulverde, TX
Curtis Reid Johnson	40	David George	San Antonio, TX
Gary Leroy Moseley, Jr.	40	William Norwood Gates	Pueblo West, CO
Gary Leroy Moseley	40	William Norwood Gates	Poteet, TX
Wesley Ray O'Neill	40	George Washington O'Neill	San Antonio, TX
Edwin James Peet	40	Felipe Roche de la Portilla	Fair Oaks Ranch, TX
Santos Huerta Villarreal	40	Juana Francisca Martines	San Antonio, TX
Charles Pace Gillespie III	47	Joshua Wright Young	Bluff Dale, TX
John Orbie Collins	48	Daniel Kimbro	Humble, TX
Thomas D Taylor	48	Isaac Banta	Harper, TX
Johnny Paul Schriewer	50	Ludwig Jauer	Geronimo, TX
Solon Richmond Featherston III	52	Andrew Jackson Blackburn	Tyler, TX
Walton Robinson Jones	52	Francis Marcus Weatherred	Tyler, TX
John Thomas Merritt, Jr.	52	Cullen Curlee Arnett	Tyler, TX
Tommy Shane Brown	54	Benjamin Burris, Sr.	Lampasas, TX
Jerrel D. Inman, Sr.	54	John "Jack" Crier/Cryer	Burnet, TX
Jerrel D. Inman, Sr.	54	Andrew "Andy" Crier/Cryer	Burnet, TX
Lynn Scott James	56	John James	Baytown, TX
Kevin Lee Ragland	56	Wiley Davis	Alto, TX
Gary Wayne Audas, Jr.	58	John Erwin Anderson	The Woodlands, TX
Gary Wayne Audas, Sr.	58	John Erwin Anderson	Oakhurst, TX
Richard Duval Maguire	58	Henry Griffith	Montgomery, TX
George Lee Morovich	58	Peter Augustus Ratisseau	The Woodlands, TX
Leo Henry Morovich	58	Peter Augustus Ratisseau	Spring, TX
Thomas Routt Peterson	58	Johann Jacob Wolters	Houston, TX
Gordon Scott Sanders	58	William Alfred Gotcher, Jr.	Cypress, TX
Ronald Wayne Schoolcraft	58	Benjamin Franklin Grumbles	Texas City, TX
Jonathan Thomas Tuggle	58	Francis Holland	Mary Esther, FL
Jacob Matthew Tutthill	58	William Custard	Waxahachie, TX
Michael Carl Tyler	58	John Franklin Guthrie	Livingston, TX
Travis Michael Tyler	58	John Franklin Guthrie	Porter, TX
Carl Quincy Tyler	58	John Franklin Guthrie	Spring, TX
Andrew Michael Weynand	58	Montraville Fouty	Steamboat Springs, CO
Hoyt Bruce Moore III	59	Timothy Pickering Jones	San Diego, CA
Steven Allen Starr	59	James Nelson Naudain	Virginia Beach, VA

## Calendar of Events

### 2015 Annual Meeting

**April 10-12, 2015** Sheraton Fort Worth Hotel and Spa, 1701 Commerce St., Fort Worth, TX, 76102, (817) 335-7000, Rates: \$119 + tax, cut off date March 24, 2015.

### 2015 Quarterly Meetings

**June, 2015** TBD

**Sept. 11-12, 2015** La Quinta Inn & Suites Belton, 229 West Loop 121, Belton, TX 76513; (866) 527-1498, Room Rate \$101 + tax, cut off date August 21, 2015; Please identify yourself as SRT.

### 2015 SRT Events

March 2	Texas Independence Day
March 6	Fall of the Alamo
March 27	Goliad Massacre
April 21	San Jacinto Day
September 19	Texian Navy Day on the Battleship <i>Texas</i>
October 2	Battle of Gonzales
November 3	Stephen F. Austin's Birthday (Father of Texas)

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