

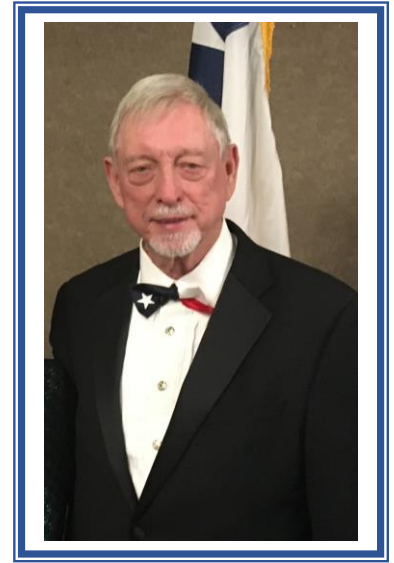
The Sherman Sentinel

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hurricanes, Tropical Storms, Derechos, Polar Vortex's, Droughts, Heat Waves, Wildfires, Floods, Tornadoes— is there anything else Mother Nature has in the way of natural disasters that she wants to send our way? Okay – maybe Volcanoes. But overall, it seems like the past few years, Texas has had more than its share of natural disasters. No doubt, we are a resilient people, having survived in addition to numerous natural disasters, two wars fought on our land – the Texas Revolution and the War Between the States. Also, the Battle of Medina in 1813, border skirmishes and many conflicts with the Indians.



During this last natural disaster, I was without electricity for a week and had no WiFi and or cellular service. I know many of you also struggled for several days as our lives are so dependent upon electricity and instant communications. It made me think deeply about our ancestors and their struggles especially back in the 19th century.

Living without A/C, no refrigeration for food and most importantly not being able to communicate with family and friends provided a small window to see how they had lived their lives. Despite having a landline, for the first time in my life, I was unable to use my phone to call others. My son drove over to check on me and I in turn drove to Eron's home to see how she had survived the storm.

As I reflected on our ancestors and their bravery and courage to face many adversaries, I drew strength as I remembered their many struggles and how they survived. Like all of you, I too am proud to be a Texan and know that we can handle anything Mother Nature has in store for us. We clean up storm debris, cut trees and limbs, repair our houses, restore our beaches, and reinforce the seawalls in preparation for the next one. Because we know we owe it to our ancestors to face down adversaries and build a better life for ourselves and our descendants in this wonderful land of opportunity – Texas.

Our Second Annual Sidney Sherman Birthday dinner is upon us and will be this Saturday evening. We are looking forward to another successful event and hope to raise more dollars for our Keeping Texas History Alive Educational Project. Our major project to purchase Texas history books and donate to various elementary schools and libraries is well underway.

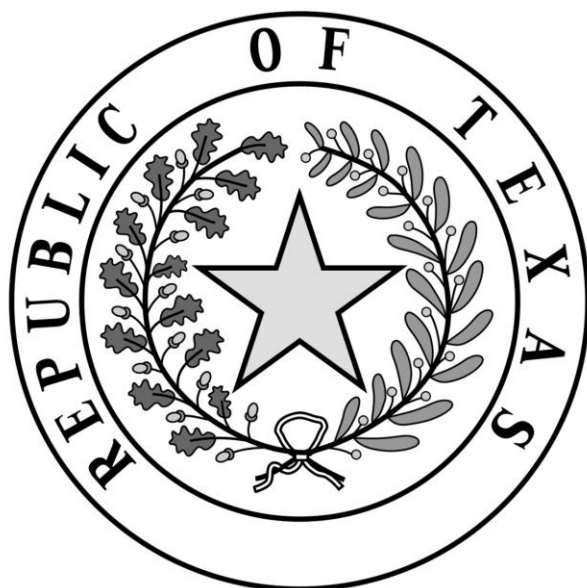
The San Jacinto Museum is sponsoring Daughters and Sons Day at the Battleground on August 11, 2024. We plan to be there with a booth to promote the SRT. Please be reminded that the annual Texian Navy Day Celebration will be September 21, 2024 at the Battleground. Dr. Greg Dimmick will be the Speaker. We will soon begin planning for the Burnet-Sherman Ceremony which will be October 15, 2024. If you are interested in assisting with any of these events, please contact me at easygoal1@hotmail.com. Please join us as we

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



God Bless Texas

*Carl V. Hill, Jr.
President*



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JUNE MEETING

President Hill stated that the Executive Board had met to discuss both the Fourth of July parade and the upcoming Second Annual Sidney Sherman Birthday Celebration. We will line up for the parade at 3:00 p.m. at 45th and Seawall. Officers have arranged to have candy to distribute to the spectators and chairs will be provided.

President Hill announced that we will be holding the Second Annual Birthday Dinner for Sidney Sherman to be held in San Leon on Saturday, July 27th at Pacific Seafood. Several items have been donated for the Silent Auction and if you are planning to donate anything please do so by July 20th, in order for your name to be printed in the program. He also said that Devon Lindsey, President General and several State Executive Board members plan on attending.

Funds raised from the Silent Auction benefit the Keeping Texas History Alive Educational Project. We are in the process of purchasing Texas History books to donate to the various public libraries and schools in Galveston County.



James Glover, Site Manager at Stephen F. Austin-Munson Historical County Park, Brazoria County Parks Department presented a lively program on **Texas Frontier Trade in the early 1800's**.

James provided information from a ledger dating from 1832 and the items entered were of much interest. There were canisters of gunpowder and caps, Brogan shoes and store-bought clothes, and whale oil for lamps for 34 cents. James dramatized the activities of mercantile of that time, using rivers for transport, and trafficking from Brazoria to Cozemel and Havana.



Second Annual Sidney Sherman Birthday Celebration

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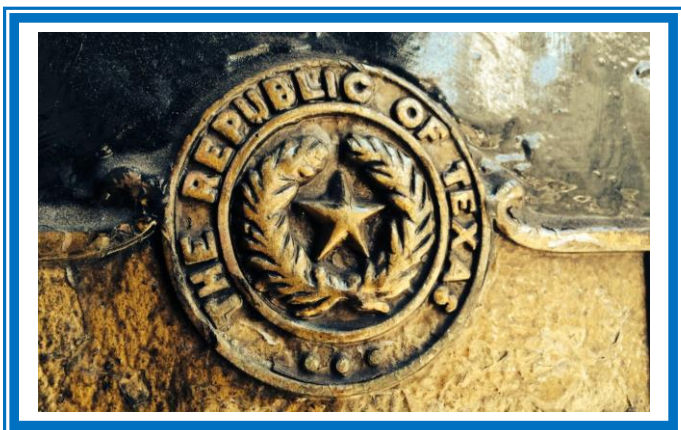
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*“San Jacinto through
my Grandfather’s Eyes”*



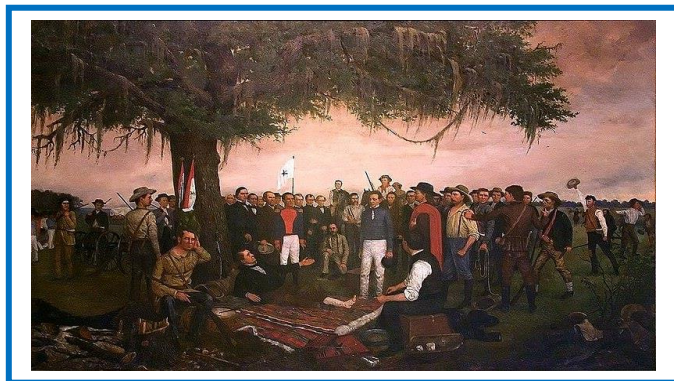
We are honored to have Chandler Wahrmund, Lead Educator as our speaker for the Sidney Sherman Birthday Dinner. He will be portraying his 5th great-grandfather and San Jacinto Veteran, George Washington Robinson. Chandler is a seventh generation Texan and a member of the Sons of the Republic of Texas. He was also a member of the Children of the Republic of Texas serving several terms on the State Board of Management of that organization. Chandler has a BA in History from Texas A&M and a MA in History from the University of Alabama.

He has worked at the Institute of Texas Cultures and the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library. Chandler currently works as an educator for the Texas Historical Commission. As an educator for the THC, he has been responsible for implementing educational programs across the state, including the Fulton Mansion, Barrington Farms and at the Fanthorp Inn. Chandler recently participated as the Keynote Speaker in a Graveside Ceremony for Col. Kenneth Lewis Anderson, the last Vice President of the Republic of Texas. The ceremony was held at the Fanthorp Family Cemetery on July 20, 2024.



Second Annual Sidney Sherman Dinner Auction Items

Last year we raised over \$1200.00 for the Keeping Texas History Alive Educational Project by holding a Live Auction and a Silent Auction. This year we are planning again to hold a Live and Silent Auction to continue raising funds for this worthwhile project. Below are some of the Auction items we have received so far. If you have anything you would like to donate, please contact Carl Hill at easygoal1@hotmail.com.



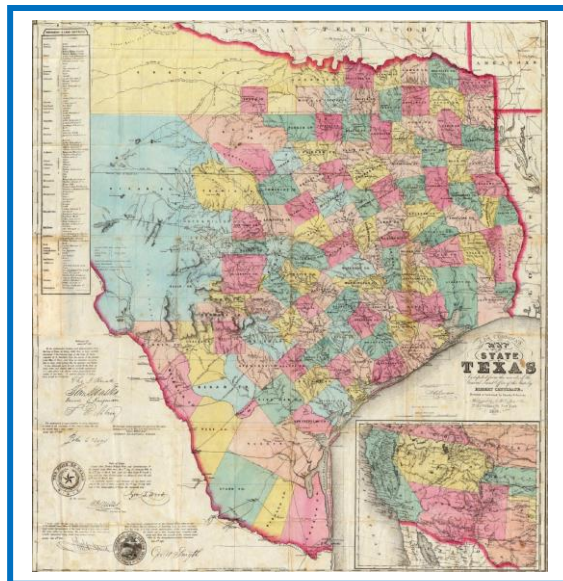
1. Surrender of Santa Anna (10" x 7" print, framed) – donated by Tom Green. KSJ



2. Battle Flags of Texas – donated by Steve Nicol



3. Plat of Texas compiled by Stephen F. Austin (17" x 20" print, framed) Donated by Tom Green, KSJ



4. 1849 State of Texas compiled by J. B. Cordoba (16" x 17" print, framed) Donated by Tom Green, KSJ



5. Texas Star Metal - 16" Donated by Ron Schoolcraft

Other items include

1. Four tickets to the Wings Over Houston Airshow donated by Jeff Corbin, KSJ.
2. Four tickets to the San Jacinto Museum donated by Robyn Davis.
3. 3" x 4" Metal section from the Battleship Texas – Starboard Auxiliary Keel. Donated by Larry Armstrong

Fourth of July Parade



Celebrating 248 years of Independence



Once again, The Sidney Sherman Chapter, No. 2, participated in the Fourth of July Parade in Galveston on Seawall Boulevard sponsored by the City of Galveston Firefighters. The parade route was from 22nd to 45th street and thousands of people lined the parade route. It was quite warm but the steady breezes from the Gulf kept the day fairly comfortable. The parade route was filled with families and children all enthusiastically celebrating 248 years of American Independence. We tossed candy and beads from a float flying flags from the American Revolutionary War Era and the Texas Revolution.



J. B. Kline, Albert Seguin, Colt with his grandfather Robert Gindratt and Cindy Schnuriger.



Cindy Schnuriger, Steve Nicol, Carl Hill, Robert Schniriger, Larry and George Armstrong

As we celebrated the Fourth we are reminded of our patriot ancestors, thinking of them living in those difficult times, “the times that tried men’s souls”. Our Nation’s Independence Day is a time to remember and a time to honor those sacrifices. Our ancestors helped secure our independence that led to the founding of a new Nation. Honoring these signers and our patriotic ancestors each Fourth of July reminds us of the sacrifices endured by these brave and courageous men and women. The freedoms that we enjoy each day here in America would not have been possible without their belief in Liberty and Independence.

No better way to celebrate the Fourth than sharing our hotdogs with our Marines



Above – Colt with his grandfather Robert Gindratt.

Above picture – Steve Nicol, Cindy Schnuriger, Steve Manis, Larry and George Armstrong along with Carl Hill enjoying hotdogs with the Marines.

IN MEMORIAM

Texas has lost one of its finest sons. A true Texas gentleman, Sir Knight Thomas (Tom) Bruce Green passed away on July 16, 2024, at the Richard A. Anderson Texas State Veterans Nursing Home. A founding President of the Prince Carl of Solms-Braunfels Society #50, SRT, he also served as the Hill Country District Representative. In addition, he served as the Texas State President of the Sons of the American Revolution. Tom became a member of the San Jacinto Chapter, SRT when he moved to Pearland in the early 2000's.

Tom was well known around the state for his many flag programs that included both Texas and American Revolutionary Flags. In 2006, he was appointed a Colonel in the Texas Army and was also appointed an Admiral in the Texas Navy. In 2022, Tom received The Sons of the Republic of Texas highest honor – The Lifetime Achievement Award.



After moving from New Braunfels to Pearland in the early 2000's, Tom began organizing annual ceremonies to commemorate various Texas Honor Days that included the former Presidents of the Republic of Texas. Lamar Day, Texas Statehood Day (Anson Jones gravemarker) and the Burnet-Sherman Marker Ceremony became annual events to recognize these past Presidents of the Republic of Texas. In addition, Tom began organizing a Texas Independence Day Celebration to be held in Houston. Various locations around the city included - Houston City Hall, Harris County Courthouse, and the Harris County Civil Courthouse before settling on the Sam Houston Statute at Hermann Park. Tom was also instrumental in organizing the Memorial Ceremony to commemorate the Battle of Medina and a symposium to learn more about this battle. This battle was the bloodiest battle fought in Texas.

Tom was an inspiration to all of us with his dedication and devotion to promoting Texas History and to ensuring the major events in Texas history were honored. He will be missed.



**Lamar Day Ceremony – Steve Manis,
Carl Hill, Tom Green, John Thompson,
Mike Bailey and Glen Camp.**

Funeral Services will be held Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 1:00 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 2314 N. Grand Blvd., Pearland, Tx. Visitation will be from 12:00p.m.-1:00 p.m. Burial will be at Saint Peters and Paul Cemetery, New Braunfels, on Monday, July 29, 2024 at 11:00a.m.

**For a more complete
obituary go to [Legacy.com](https://www.legacy.com)**



*Honor Your
Ancestors*

Texas Patriot Corner

For Sidney Sherman Chapter Members that wish to list their ancestor's name next to their name on the website.

Go to our website at www.ss2srt.org and select members to see the list. Next send your ancestor's full name to our webmaster Clark Wright at cpwright2@verizon.net. Should you wish to also send your ancestor's bio, send the bio as a PDF or in Word to the webmaster. The webmaster will add your ancestor's name and if you send the bio he will also add that to the website.

Please honor your Texas ancestor by submitting an article. Articles need to be submitted by the first of each month in Word to be included in that month's newsletter. Please feel free to include a picture of your ancestors. Pictures need to be sent as JPG's. Please note minor corrections for grammar and punctuation will occur.

ANNUAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2024

July 27, 2024
(Saturday)

**Second Annual
Sidney Sherman
Birthday Dinner**

**Speaker - Chandler
Wahrmund**

August 20, 2024

Chapter Meeting

Speaker – TBD

September 17, 2024

Chapter Meeting

Speaker – Jim Bevill

SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

TEXAS HEROES DAY

SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

TEXIAN NAVY DAY
San Jacinto Battleground

OCTOBER 2, 2024

GONZALES DAY

October 15, 2024

Burnet-Sherman
Marker Ceremony

Speaker – David Martin

October 15, 2024

Chapter Meeting

Speaker – TBD

NOVEMBER 3, 2024

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN'S BIRTHDAY

November 19, 2024

Chapter Meeting

Speaker – TBD

DECEMBER 9, 2024

SEIGE OF BEXAR

December 10, 2024

Fourth Annual Christmas Party
Antiques Pavilion, Galveston
Hosted by Jim Nonus



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*God Bless
Texas*