

# Texas Society, Sons Of The American Revolution Arlington Chapter #7

## Important Dates

See <http://www.texassar.org/Arlington/activityCal.php>

Jan. Meeting	<p><b>Our Chapter Anniversary</b> The Arlington Chapter filed for re-charter on Jan. 11, 1994 and TX SAR reactivated on Feb. 25, 1994. This meeting traditionally celebrates the anniversary. Please note new roster pictures are generally taken. Please try to attend!</p>
Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Presidents Day</b> is the common name for the holiday officially designated as Washington's birthday. As the first federal holiday to honor an American citizen, it was originally celebrated on Washington's actual birthday Feb. 22, 1796, the last full year of his presidency. While the holiday is still officially known as Washington's Birthday, it has become popularly known as Presidents Day, honoring both Washington &amp; Lincoln, and all others who have served as president. It is adjusted to the 3rd Monday of February.</p>
March Meeting	<p><b>Chapter Annual Meeting</b> This meeting traditionally has the new chapter officer inductions. Compatriots are encouraged to support their goals.</p>
Apr. 18 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Patriots Day</b> is a civic holiday commemorating the anniversary of the Battles of Lexington &amp; Concord. It is observed on the 3rd Monday in April in Mass. &amp; Maine and is a public school observance day in Wisc. Observances and re-enactments of these 1st battles occur annually at the "Lexington Green" in Lexington, Mass. and "The Old North Bridge" in Concord, Mass. Mounted re-enactors with state police escorts retrace the ride of Paul Revere &amp; William Dawes, calling out warnings the whole way.</p>
May 1 <sup>st</sup>	<p><b>Loyalty Day</b> is the day is set aside for the reaffirmation of loyalty to the United States and for the recognition of the heritage of American freedom. Formerly known as "Americanization Day", it was first observed in 1921 and was intended to counterbalance the celebration of Labour Day.</p>
May 30 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Memorial Day</b> is a day of remembering the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. It is formerly known as Decoration Day and originated after the American Civil War to commemorate the Union and Confederate soldiers who died in the Civil War. By the 20th century Memorial Day had been extended to honor all Americans who have died in all wars and adjusted to the last Monday of May.</p>

Jun. 14 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Flag Day</b>  commemorates the adoption of the U.S. flag, which happened by resolution of the 2nd Continental Congress on June 14 1777. Congress had previously adopted the "American Continental Army" after reaching a consensus position in the "Committee of the Whole" on June 14, 1775. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day. In August 1949, an Act of Congress established the National Flag Day.</p>
Jul. 4 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Independence Day</b>  is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring independence from the Kingdom of Great Britain. This day is commonly associated with fireworks, parades, barbecues, carnivals, fairs, picnics, concerts, baseball games, family reunions, and political speeches &amp; ceremonies. In addition, various other public &amp; private events celebrate United States history, government, and traditions.</p>
Sep. 11 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Patriot Day</b>  or "National Day of Service &amp; Remembrance" is designated in memory of the 2,977 killed on Sept. 11th, 2001 by terrorist attacks in New York City, Washington D.C, and Penn.</p>
Sep. 17 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Constitution Day</b>  or Citizenship Day is an American federal observance that recognizes the adoption of the United States Constitution and those who have become U.S. citizens. It is observed on the day in 1787 when the U.S. Constitutional Convention delegates signed the Constitution.</p>
Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Victory at Yorktown</b>  was accomplished after a French naval victory allowed American and French forces to trap the British army in Virginia. Gen. George Washington led the Continental Army and delivered the final blow to the British. On Oct. 17, 1781 the British surrendered at Yorktown and marked the end of major fighting in continental North America. The surrender ceremony took place on Oct. 19, 1781.</p>
Nov. 11 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Veterans Day</b>  honors people who have served in the armed services and are known as veterans. It is a federal holiday that is observed on November 11th. It coincides with other holidays such as Armistice Day &amp; Remembrance Day, which are celebrated in other parts of the world. It marks the anniversary of the end of WWI as major hostilities were formally ended at the 11th hour, of the 11th day, of the 11th month of 1918, with the German signing of the Armistice.</p>
Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Texas SAR Anniversary</b>  commemorates the founding of the "Texas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution" on Dec. 8th, 1896. Mr. Ira Hobart Evans organized a small group of men in Galveston and became the 1st Texas SAR President. His was National #2751 and Texas #1. More information can be found at <a href="http://www.txssar.org/evans.htm">www.txssar.org/evans.htm</a>.</p>
Dec. 15 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Bill of Rights Day</b>  is the commemorative day named for the collective name of the first ten amendments to the United States Constitution as introduced by James Madison to the 1st U.S. Congress. These amendments were limitations to serve and protect the rights of liberty &amp; property. They guarantee a number of personal freedoms, limit the government's power in judicial &amp; other proceedings, and reserve some powers to the states and the public.</p>

## For Chapter History

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