



**Order of Granaderos
y Damas de Gálvez
San Antonio Chapter**

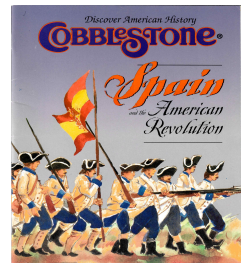
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Education Committee

(Rev. June 2004)

The third project is resource packets for teachers that include a booklet by Judge Robert Thonhoff titled *The Vital Contribution of Spain in the Winning of the American Revolution*, the TEKS learning objectives for 7th & 8th grade social studies, an article from the Texas

State Historical Association titled *Spain's Participation in the American Revolution*, a Gálvez timeline written by Dama Stella González and a worksheet with student exercises modified from one developed by author/historian Joe López. These have already been distributed to the following schools: Mt. Sacred Heart, Providence Catholic, St. Mary's Hall, San Antonio Academy, Keystone and School of Science & Technology-Discovery. Thank You, members of our Education Committee!



Battle of Medina Symposium



On Saturday, August 18th, our chapter was represented at the Battle of Medina Symposium by Chaplain Joe González and Governor Joe Perez. They staffed a table and spoke to several people about General Gálvez. They also sold several books and brought in \$79.00 for our treasury.

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NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, September 5

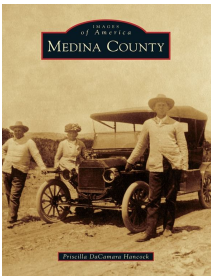
La Fonda Restaurant

8633 Crownhill Blvd

Dinner at 6:30 Meeting at 7:30

Guest Speaker:
Priscilla Hancock

Presentation:
The Founding of Medina County



Come learn how European immigrants came to Texas and established cities as well as the county of Medina, retaining their old world customs and religious faith in an unfamiliar setting. We will see how Medina Dam changed the area. Author Priscilla Hancock will have her book available after the meeting for only \$20 and will sign copies.

upcoming **EVENTS**

Saturday, September 15 **6:00 pm**

Color Guard at event for Investiture Ceremony.

Saturday, September 29 **10:00 am & 1:00 pm**

10:00 a.m. – Living history educational presentation at the Henry Guerra Library.

1:00 p.m. – Living history educational presentation at the Maverick Library.

Happy Birthday September Babies!

Sept. 5

Dorothy Perez

Sept. 6

Dan Gabehart

Sept. 17

Abel Araiza

Sept. 18

G. Roland Vela

Sept. 22

Eileen Barrientos

Sept. 23

Lucila Flores

Sept. 26

Vangie Garcia

Sept. 30

Michael Rojas

Governor

Joe Perez

Deputy Governor

Alex Zamora

Treasurer

Manny Rodriguez

Secretary

Briana Perez

Drum Major

Ricardo Rodriguez

Chaplain

Joe González


New Member

Monica Aguayo Johnson

We welcome our newest member who joined at our August meeting, Monica Aguayo Johnson. Monica is a native San Antonian. She started her career in education management at U.T. Knoxville in the Treasurer's office before moving back to San Antonio and retiring from UTSA in 2011 as a Senior Administrative Associate for Health and Kinesiology, serving as Assistant to the Department Chair. She is no stranger as she has been coming to our meetings for quite a while now. She is the daughter of Granadero Joe Aguayo, niece of Granadero George Aguayo and cousin to Granadero Mike Aguayo. Welcome aboard Monica. You are literally a part of our family.



**Dr. Terrence Burke, Jr. Receives
Order of Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez
Membership Certificate**



Dr. Terrence Burke, Jr. stands proudly next to his recently acquired certificate of membership to the *Order of Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez*, which was presented to him by Colonel Martin Franklin McGuill, USAF J.C.D., Chaplain at the Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia. The presentation was made at the National Institute of Health (N.I.H.) Chapel located in Bethesda, Maryland following Mass. Dr. Burke assists Father McGuill on Sundays in performing Mass to the patients and staff of N.I.H. The Institute is the nation's medical research agency.

Dr. Burke was excited to receive his certificate and is proud of his direct ancestor François Marcanatel, who was a militiaman under General Gálvez during the American Revolution. In records acquired from the General Archives of the Indies, Seville, España Papeles Procedentes de Cuba, *“Francois Marcantel is listed under Compañia de Milicia Urbana de Partido de Opelusas and was 38 years old, enjoyed robust health, and was responsible for one rifle.”*

Dr. Terrence Burke is a proud recent member of the Order of Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez and is also a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. In addition to members Clifford and Lynda Normand, Dr. Terrence Burke also has ancestors who served directly under the leadership of General Gálvez.

Reference:

Churchill, Charles Robert, *Bernardo de Gálvez Services to the American Revolution*, Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution, March 4th, 1925.

Recent Articles on the Internet

Gálvez Statue from New Orleans being restored in Texas.

<https://www.bradenton.com/entertainment/article215559410.html>

This article combines fajitas and Bernardo de Gálvez. *Excuse Me?*

<https://southfloridareporter.com/fajitas-were-originally-throwaway-cuts-of-beef-eaten-by-mexican-vaqueros/>

Video on the unveiling of the Gálvez statue in Pensacola. A work in progress.

<https://www.pnj.com/story/news/2018/08/18/pensacola-galvez-monument-still-20-k-short-goal-close-completion/1018282002/>

Show Your Pride



Judge Robert Thonhoff proudly displayed the current U.S. flag and the Spanish Burgundian Cross flag at his home on June 20, 2018, in remembrance and honor of Governor Bernardo de Gálvez's emissary, Francisco García, delivering the letter requesting Texas cattle to Texas Governor Domingo Cabello in San Antonio on June 20, 1779. That just happened

to be one day before Spain officially declared war against Great Britain on June 21, 1779. (King Carlos III had previously declared his intention to declare war against Great Britain on May 18, 1779.)

Governor Joe Perez displays his Granadero pride with the home address on his driveway accented with a flaming grenade, matching the one on our chapter's website.

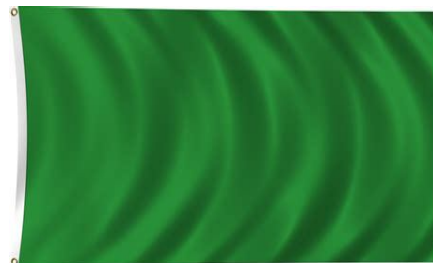


THE TWO OPPOSING FLAGS AT THE BATTLE OF MEDINA



Judge Robert Thonhoff sent in these two flags and descriptions. They are the opposing flags at the Battle of Medina. This was posted to our Facebook page in August.

On the left is the Burgundian Cross flag of the Regiment of Veracruz and on the right is the Green Flag of the Republican Army of the North.



TELLING OUR STORY IN VIDEO

Granadero Rafael Cavazos uses his own professional equipment to record, edit and produce videos showcasing us to the world. He donates this to our group only and his videos appear on our website and Facebook page.

We highly recommend his services and encourage members to promote his business. He has packages that fit any budget.



Letter to our chapter from the King of Spain's Chief of Protocol



CASA DE S. M. EL REY
—
EL JEFE DE PROTOCOLO

PALACIO DE LA ZARZUELA
24 de julio de 2018

Señor
JOE PÉREZ
Gobernador de la Orden de Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez
jperez329@satx.rr.com

Estimado Señor:

Tengo mucho gusto en trasladarle el sincero agradecimiento de Sus Majestades los Reyes por los libros que ha tenido la amabilidad de hacerles llegar con ocasión de la inauguración de la exposición "Designing América: Spain's imprint in the U.S.", con motivo del viaje de Sus Majestades a los Estados Unidos de América, durante el pasado mes de junio.

Así mismo, Sus Majestades, que han apreciado mucho esta atención que les ha dirigido, me encargan que le envíe un saludo muy afectuoso junto con sus mejores deseos, con el ruego de que lo haga extensivo a todos los miembros de la Orden.

Reciba un saludo muy cordial,

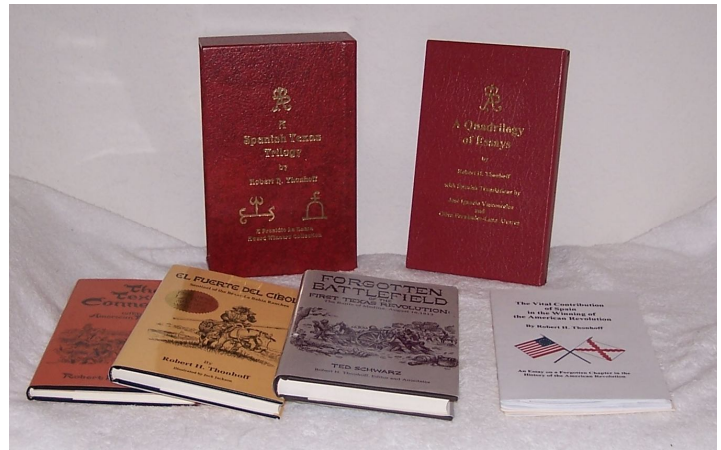
Alfredo Martínez Serrano

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En cumplimiento de la Ley Orgánica 15/1999, se le informa de que los datos de carácter personal proporcionados se incluyen en el fichero "Sistema de Información de Protocolo (SIPROT)" creado con la finalidad de poder realizar las gestiones propias del Servicio de Protocolo de esta Casa. Usted consiente expresamente en que dicha información pueda ser cedida a las Administraciones e Instituciones Públicas a que estatutariamente obligue el buen fin de las gestiones desarrolladas. El afectado podrá ejercitar sus derechos de acceso, rectificación, cancelación y oposición ante la Secretaría General de la Casa de Su Majestad el Rey, Palacio de La Zarzuela, 28071 Madrid.

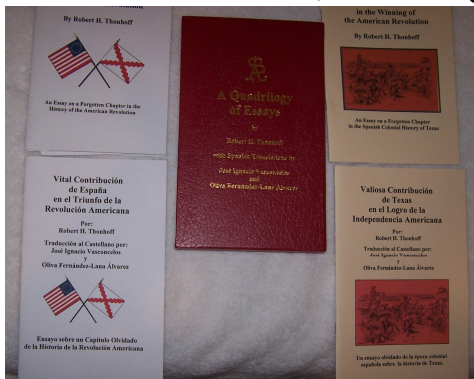
The letter from the King's Chief of Protocol thanks us for participating in the Tricentennial event at the Bexar County Courthouse and refers to books presented to the King and Queen. The books were given to the City of San Antonio Office of International Affairs for presentation to the King and Queen. The books and booklets are described below by author Robert H. Thonhoff.

The SPANISH TEXAS TRILOGY slipcase set is covered in crimson color with gold letters and brands, the colors of Spain. Significantly, one of the brands is the Royal Brand, which was used to mark the horses that belonged to the King of Spain. The set holds three of my books, all personally autographed on behalf of the San Antonio Founding Chapter of the Order of Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez for King Felipe VI and Queen Letizia.



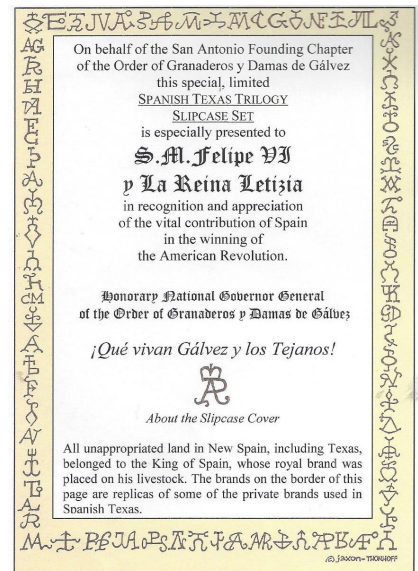
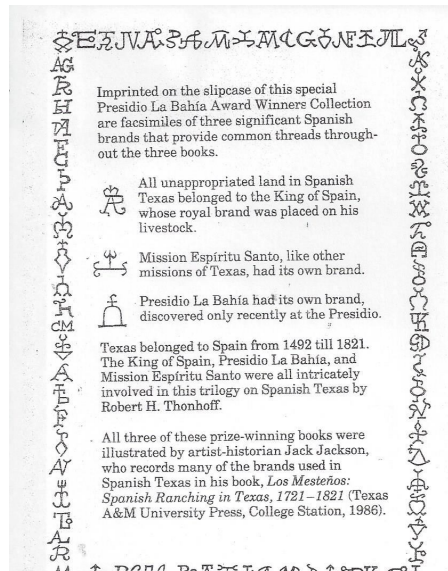
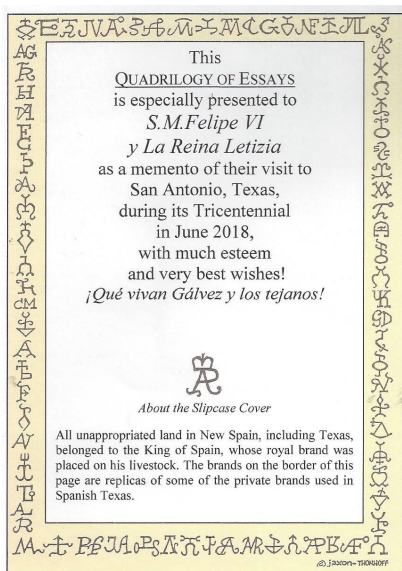
The set contains three mint copies of my books, *The Texas Connection with the American Revolution*; *Forgotten Battlefield of the First Texas Revolution: The Battle of Medina, August 18, 1813*; and *El Fuerte del Cíbolo: Sentinel of the Béxar-La Bahía Ranches*.

Similarly, the other is a crimson and gold slipcase set titled A QUADRILOGY OF ESSAYS, which contains four booklets, two in English and two in Spanish, titled *The Vital Contribution of Spain in the Winning of the American Revolution*; *Vital Contribución de España en el Triunfo de la Revolución Americana*; *The Vital Contribution of Texas in the Winning of the American Revolution*; and *Valiosa Contribución de Texas en el Logro de la Independencia Americana*. The Quadrilogy of Essays can be found on our website, www.granaderos.org.



All of these are publications of mine, which have won the prestigious Presidio La Bahía Award that is given annually for best works on Texas history.

Below are special inserts to the slipcase and essays designed for the King and Queen.



Order of Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez

Minutes for the meeting held August 1, 2018 at La Fonda Restaurant
Submitted by Joe Perez

Attendance:

George Aguayo, Joe Aguayo, Michael Aguayo, Eileen Barrientos, Rafael Cavazos, Lucila Flores, Roberto Flores, Stella González, Joe González, Walter Herbeck, Monica Aguayo Johnson, Yolanda Kirkpatrick, Jimmy Peet, Dorothy Perez, Rueben Perez, Joe Perez, Ricky Reyes, Janie Rodriguez, Manny Rodriguez, Daphne Ybarbo, Melissa Zamora, Alex Zamora, Joe J. Zavala

- The meeting commenced at 7:45 p.m.
- Chaplain Joe González gave the Invocation.
- Rueben Perez led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Governor Joe Perez welcomed guest Daphne Ybarbo.
- Treasurer Manny Rodriguez gave the Treasurer's Report for June and July. In June, we had a Beginning Balance of \$2,703.25; Expenses of \$259.00 for the purchase of 500 brochures, Income of \$85.22 from dues, the sale of a membership certificate and account dividend, leaving an Ending Balance of \$2,529.47. In July, we had a Beginning Balance of \$2,529.47, Expenses of \$37.50 for rental of chairs for 4th of July ceremony, Income of \$0.21 from account dividend, leaving an Ending Balance of \$2,492.18. A motion to accept the report was made by Walter Herbeck and seconded by Eileen Barrientos. After a vote, the motion carried.
- Education Committee Chair had his committee give a report to the membership. Joe González said we will print 500 revised brochures to distribute. He informed us of the Gálvez packet they are making to give to schools for teachers to use and showed us the items in the packets, which consists of learning materials and a lesson plan for teachers. Stella González mentioned that if anyone knows a school teacher or administrator, to let the committee know as that may open the door for us at that school. Janie Rodriguez read the minutes of the last committee meeting and announced that they spoke with a studio about using the facility for a promotional video. Walter said he will speak to the San Antonio Library system about getting our information to them and about us giving presentations. Governor Perez said that we give presentations every year at different libraries but Walter said he will go to the head of the library system. Janie Rodriguez presented an issue of Cobblestone magazine that is all about Spain's participation in the American Revolution and said 43 copies are available to purchase for under \$6.00 each. Jimmy Peet moved that we purchase them and Dorothy Perez seconded the motion. After discussion and a vote, the motion carried. Yolanda Kirkpatrick moved that when we sell them as a fundraiser that the cost goes to the general fund and the profit goes to the Education Committee. Jimmy Peet seconded the motion and after discussion and a vote, the motion carried. Rafael Cavazos mentioned that the committee will develop a plan to use the public access studio to film a promotional video for the group.
- Joe Perez announced our newest member who signed up this evening: Monica Aguayo Johnson.
- Ricky Reyes reminded everyone about the upcoming Battle of Medina symposium.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:04.

