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Plan to attend our next chapter event.

We hope to see you there!

## March Meeting Set for March 2nd Come hear an interesting speaker

Join us for a special Texas Independence Day celebration on Thursday, March 2, 2006, at Margaux's Restaurant, 150 Turtle Creek Boulevard at Irving Boulevard.

The Cash bar opens at 6pm with dinner at 7pm. The cost is \$20 per person, pay by cash or check at the door. Dress is business casual.

Our speaker for this event is Jeffrey D. Dunn, Chairman, San Jacinto Historical Advisory Board, and attorney with Dallas law firm of Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr, PC. Mr. Dunn's topic will be "Things You Never Knew About the Texas Declaration of Independence". This promises to be a most interesting meeting, and we hope you will join us there.



## December Breakfast Meeting A Huge Success!

The attendance out for our last event was terrific. Texas Land and Cattle hosted our chapter for a wonderful breakfast event.

Our speaker, Jeffrey D. Dunn, Vice President of the San

Jacinto Battleground Association spoke on the Girl in Santa Ana's Tent: Who was the Yellow Rose and did she really win the Battle of San Jacinto?

# Calendar set for 2006

Thomas J. Rusk Chapter Meetings:

March 2

June 1

Sept. 7

Dec. 7

All meetings are planned for Margaux's Restaurant, 150 Turtle Creek Boulevard at Irving Boulevard. 214-740-1985

Cash bar opens at 6pm with dinner at 7pm and program to follow.

Statewide meetings:

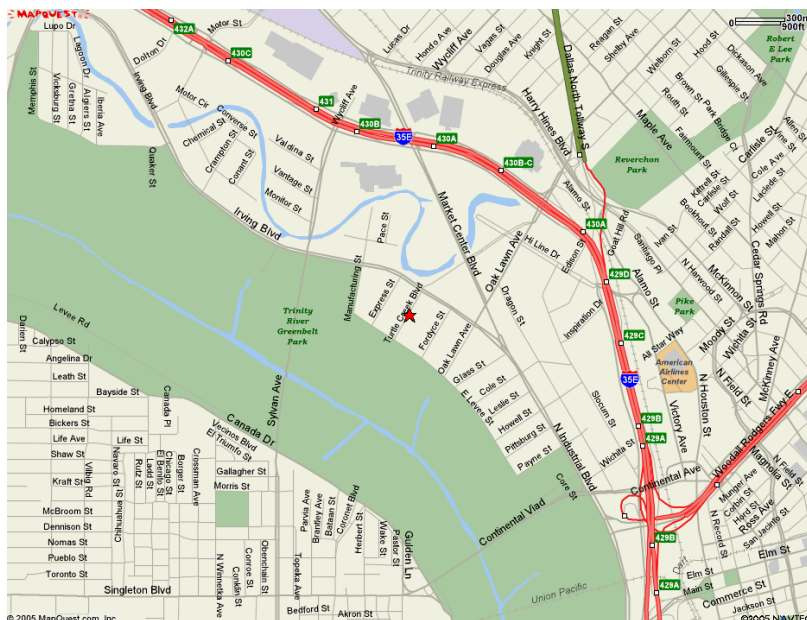
SRT Convention

March 31-April 2

DFW Hilton

Grapevine

## Map to Margaux's Restaurant



## Texas History Moment

Thomas Jefferson Rusk was born in South Carolina on 5 December 1803. He came to Texas during the revolution and fought at San Jacinto.

President Sam Houston appointed him as Secretary of War. Rusk was a Freemason and member of Milam Lodge in Nacogdoches and was an original member of the Grand

Lodge of Texas. Rusk practiced law and was politically active until his death on 29 July 1857. Rusk and his wife were buried in Oak Grove Cemetery in Nacogdoches.



## Officer profile – Dick Brown

Dick joined the Sons of the Republic through his ancestor John Hermodius Thurmond, who came to Texas from Pulaski County, Tennessee. An early Baptist circuit rider, Thurmond literally arrived "with a Bi-

ble in his suit, a pair of spurs, a western saddle, and a pistol in his boot" as he was wanted for "affray" (public fighting) in Tennessee. Thurmond went on to found several Baptist churches in the Refugio/

Hallettsville/Victoria area, and also the First Baptist Church of San Antonio. Dick and Barbie have been married since college, and have three children and two grandchildren.