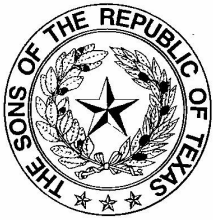


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**972-733-0357 or**

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Plan to attend our next chapter event.

We hope to see you there!

## June '07 Meeting - "Past Presidents Night"

Our second quarterly meeting of the Thomas J. Rusk Chapter # 8 for 2007 is scheduled for **Thursday, 7 June 2007, at Margaux's Restaurant** located at 150 Turtle Creek Boulevard at Irving Boulevard. The theme is "Past Presidents Night." The Cash bar opens at 6:30PM with dinner at 7pm. The cost is \$20 per person, pay by cash or check at the door. Dress is business casual. **RSVP by e-mail to [www.thomasjrusk.org](http://www.thomasjrusk.org) or by phone at 972-733-0357.** All RSVP's are required by 4 June.

Our guest speaker is the current President General of the SRT, J. Richard "Dick" Reese, KSJ. Dick is from Houston and has served in most all capacities of the San Jacinto Chapter #8. He also served at the district level and in many capacities at the national level.

Dick is an avid speaker on Texas history topics; has served as treasurer, vice president, and president of the San Jacinto Foundation; is a charter member of the Black Powder Brigade; was named to the President General's List in 1998-1999 and received the Sons of the Republic of Texas Distinguished Service Award in 2003. Furthermore, Dick was a major contributor to the successful effort to name March the "Texas History Month."



## Message from the Chapter President



Frank R. Brown  
President TJR Chapter # 8

The focus of my message to you this issue is to stress how important it is for you to attend our June 7th meeting, and all of our meetings.

Your membership in our organization was not easy to obtain; it has been said that membership in the Sons of the Republic of Texas is more exclusive than any other genealogical society because of the small window of time that your direct ancestor must have lived in Texas. If you love Texas and her history, then there is no higher badge that you can wear

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than membership in SRT. The folks in our Chapter are your friends, as well as your Texas genealogical peers. We miss you when we don't see you, and we need your participation to make our organization better.

The June 7th meeting is our "Past President's Night". SRT President General Dick Reese, KSJ, will be our keynote speaker, and will update us on some of the important changes that are being made to our organization. We're planning something different, also, for the meeting. Rather than have door prizes, we're going to use the doorprize drawings to determine candidates for a Texas Trivia Quiz.. that's right.. you'll have to get the question right to get your door prize. This will be a lot of fun, and probably educational as well!

While driving back from our place in south Texas last weekend, I was thinking about the Thomas J. Rusk Chapter of SRT, and the activities that we have each year. If you really boil it down, we're a Social/ Historical club - we socialize and discuss history at our meetings. But.. should we do more? I need your input - should our group take on "projects"? If you will, please write to me at : 1709 Benedict Ct., Rowlett Tx 75088 or email me at: [ke5r@tx.rr.com](mailto:ke5r@tx.rr.com) and let me know what you think.

Before you do anything, however, RSVP to Marc Coker and let him know that you'll be at our meeting on June 7th!

Sincerely,

Dick Brown  
President 2007

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## TJR Officer Profile – David Stone, Treasurer

David Stone currently serves as Treasurer of our chapter and has been active in the SRT since December 2003. He began serving as Chaplin from March 2004 through December 2006. He is an ordained Messianic Rabbi. He has led Beth Yeshua (House of Jesus) Congregation in Fort Worth for over ten years. Messianic Jews believe Jesus is the Messiah. David teaches Christians in the metroplex about the Jewish roots of their faith.



David is originally from Beaumont and is a sixth generation Texian. His great great grandfather Elias Stone came to the Republic of Texas at Galveston in February of 1837. Elias joined the Texas Army and later the Texas Rangers. As a Texas Ranger he served under Colonel Karnes in the Hill country campaign of 1839 and received land grants totaling over 1,900 acres. He was also a founding settler of Jefferson County.

David has been married to Marie, of Canada, for ten years and together they have three children.