



Our Next Quarterly Meeting

Dallas County Pioneer Association

Quarterly Meeting

Pompeo Coppini--His
Statues at Fair Park



With Rick McCaslin, PhD, Texas
Historical Association Fellow and
Texas State Historian



June 4, 2026
The Point at C.C. Young
4847 W. Lawther Drive
6:00 p.m. Dinner (\$20)
7:00 p.m. Meeting and Speakers
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Please join us for the June meeting of the Dallas County Pioneer Association.

We are honored to have as our speaker the renowned **Dr. Richard B. McCaslin** of the Texas State Historical Society. His new book is called: "Texas In Blue" and it tells the true story of a Union soldier and his adventures in Texas escaping from Confederates, Indians, and Mexicans. And it has a happy ending as the former soldier settles in Texas and prospers. On December 17, 2025, Governor Greg Abbott appointed McCaslin as the fifth Texas State Historian.

The meeting is at C. C. Young. Dinner begins at 6:00 pm and the meeting starts at 7:00. Meal reservations are required and can be made online or call (972) 260-9334 to make your reservation.

A little more about the sculptor:

Coppini was an artist in Texas who created many memorable works, including notable statues on several Texas universities and the familiar Alamo Cenotaph just outside the Alamo in San Antonio.

Coppini was born in 1870 in Italy. As a youth, he created items for sale when he was just 10 years old. After graduating from the *Accademia delle Arti del Disegno*, he worked in Italy until he emigrated to the United States in 1896. Coppini remained in New York City for a number of years, married and became a naturalized United States citizen in 1902, following his move to Texas one year earlier.

In Texas he worked with artist Frank Teich for a while and received a commission to create the Confederate memorial on the Capitol grounds in Austin. This began several decades of sculptures all around the state. Some of them are listed below:

- The Spirit of the Texas Cowboy, (Ballinger).
- Judge R. E. B. Baylor, Baylor University, (Waco)
- George Washington, (Austin)
- Littlefield Memorial Fountain, (Austin)
- Confederate Monument, (Austin)
- Monument to Terry's Texas Rangers, (Austin)
- Hood's Texas Brigade Monument, (Austin)
- Sam Houston Grave Monument, (Huntsville)
- Rufus C. Burleson, Baylor University, (Waco)
- Confederate Monument, (Victoria)
- Lawrence Sullivan Ross, (College Station)
- Bronze doors, Scottish Rite Cathedral - Masonic, (San Antonio).
- Cenotaph to the Heroes of the Alamo, (San Antonio).
- Coppini Tomb, Sunset Memorial Park, (San Antonio)
- The Victims of the Galveston Flood, (Austin)
- Come and Take It Monument, (Gonzales)

Please come join us to learn more about this fascinating artist.

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