

The Order of Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez

Fife & Drum Corps

San Antonio, Texas

Our Fife & Drum Corps was started in the 1980s and is an important part of our larger organization that was started in 1975.

The Fife & Drum Corps serves to educate the public about the important roles the fifers and drummers played as active-duty members of the Spanish army in the 18th century. In the heat of battle, with muskets firing and cannons booming and soldiers yelling, the soldiers often could not hear the officer's commands, so they relied on the high-pitched fife and percussion sound of the drums as musical commands. Soldiers had to know all the musical commands of the fifers and drummers such as Attack, Retreat, Forward March, etc. These musicians regimented the daily life of a soldier with musical commands for activities such as wake up, call to dinner, lights out and other commands throughout the day.

We play Spanish, American and British tunes of the American Revolution period but can play other periods as well.

Our Fife & Drum Corps, along with our Granaderos (grenadiers) stays active throughout the year by marching in parades and giving presentations at schools, libraries, and history fairs. Each year, we sponsor the 4th of July Patriotic Ceremony at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery and the Salute To Veterans at the Alamo on Veterans Day.



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