

1881 April 2. Clara Driscoll born to Robert Driscoll and Julia Fox Driscoll in St. Mary's of Aransas (near Refugio, the town was abandoned in the early 1900s).

1890 Family moves to the Palo Alto ranch, where Clara learns to ride, rope and shoot.

1898 In Spain at the outbreak of Spanish-American War, pretends to be a Spaniard for six months.

1899 Graduates from Chateau Dieudonne. Joins mother Julia and brother Robert in London where Julia dies May 23. It takes seven months to return the body to Texas, via train and steamship.

1903 Clara meets Adina de Zavala in San Antonio and joins the campaign to prevent hotel from being built on site of Alamo battle.

1906 July 31. Marries Henry (Hal) Sevier at St. Patrick Cathedral in New York City. They honeymoon three months in Italy, Paris and London.

1914 Robert Driscoll, Sr. dies. Clara and Hal return to Texas. Hal founds the *Austin American-Statesman* newspaper. They begin building Laguna Gloria.

1918-1921 On assignment with the Committee of Public Information in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

1929 Brother Bob dies. Clara and Hal move to Corpus Christi to manage the ranch and other businesses in the Driscoll empire.

1933 President Roosevelt appoints Hal as Ambassador to Chile, they move to Santiago.

1935 Hal resigns, couple returns to Texas.

1937 Clara divorces Hal and obtains court order to return to name of Driscoll.

1939 Clara pays off mortgage on Texas Federation of Women's Club building.

1940 Co-chairs and funds campaign for James Nance Garner to be Roosevelt's successor.

1942 Builds hotel with penthouse apartment on Corpus Christi Bay.

1943 Donates Laguna Gloria to Texas Fine Arts Association.

1944 Campaigns for Roosevelt's fourth term (although she had opposed the third).

1945 July 17 dies of a cerebral hemorrhage at home in Corpus Christi