

TEXAS SOCIETY

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

OFFICER REPORTS TO THE

ANNUAL MEETING

April 5 - 7, 2019

AUSTIN, TEXAS

Officer reports cover the period from the Board of Managers Meeting

to the posting date.

Thomas Jackson – President

Thomas Jackson President (2018-2019) Texas SAR President's Report

The second half of a President's term occurs just before the Board of Manager's meeting. This meeting included recognition of most of the Congress Appreciation Awards. The Internal Audit Committee presented a report that indicated out of the approximate \$38,000 that was budgeted, only a net \$24,000 was spent. Committee member appointments continued in the second half of the year as well as selling of Challenge Coins to enhance the perpetual fund. Challenge Coins are graciously donated by President General Joe Dooley.

There are numerous stops to be made as President for the purpose of meeting members and listening to their thoughts and concerns, inducting newly elected Officers, and updating Chapters on State and National news. In addition, the President attends Fall Leadership during his Term. These meetings and the dates are listed below, starting with the Board of Managers Meeting in New Braunfels and continuing to. On behalf of the State Society, I have traveled approximately 19,000 miles, with over 11,000 by car, making a total of over 80 visits. At the National Fall Leadership meeting accolades continued for the Texas Society for the 2018 National Congress held in Houston. Of special mention among the stops was my visit to Laredo for the annual Laredo Chapter meeting and the George Washington parade festivities. This is the 19th year that the SAR has led the dignitaries to the International Bridge Ceremony of Hugs under the direction of Compatriot Tom Green. Let's make next year a 20/20/20 challenge as we have a goal of 20 compatriots in the twentieth year of Texas SAR participation in 2020! One of my initiatives was to enhance engagement of our members and to accomplish this I chose participation in Wreaths Across America and issuance of Flag Certificates. For WAA I took the following steps: (1) I sent a DADA message to all Chapter Presidents requesting participation, (2) I included participation in WAA on the Vice President's score card, (3) I attended the kick-off session for WAA in Austin at the State Capitol initiated by Jim Clements, (4) I spoke at the WAA event at Woodlawn Cemetery on behalf of the SAR. This was my seventh consecutive year to speak. (5) At each chapter visit and chapter officer's meal I stressed the topic. On the Flag Certificate front with Chairman Walt Thomas at the forefront, we challenged chapters to give at least one Flag Certificate. In the prior year, Texas did not earn the Furlough award and for the current recording period over 72% of chapters noted participation. Increasing SAR membership remains a key goal for our state. I stressed enhanced relations with the DAR and during the year I made twelve stops addressing the Ladies, of which four were joint DAR/SAR events. At several of these visits I presented Congress Appreciation Awards to the Ladies. The Notable Texans initiative continues to take shape which I believe will enhance community outreach.

At Fall Leadership, as a member of the Donor Compliance Committee I delivered a report on prospective financial accounting disclosures impacting non-profits for reporting periods starting January 1, 2019. Significant changes relate to donor restrictions and a discussion of liquidity. At Spring Leadership, the topic was visited once again and the steps taken to address previously

funded naming rights and changing the accounting to be prepared for the new FASB requirements in 2019 were reviewed. Here in Texas I prepared a schedule calculating the present value of the required future payments for the perpetual fund to aid decision making and financial statement disclosure. This schedule shows a shortfall of approximately \$39,000 and the Perpetual Fund Committee was tasked to address shoring up the deficiency. The necessity of additional footnotes was reviewed with the independent auditor and he agreed that these were necessary.

It has been my great pleasure and honor to serve you this past year.

At the National SAR level, I attended:

Feb 28-Mar 2	Louisville	Spring Leadership mtg.			
At the State level I attended:					
October 16	Shenandoah	Freedom Chapter mtg.			
October 18	New Braunfels	William Hightower Chapter meeting			
October 18	Arlington	Site visit			
October 26	Houston	Texas Genealogy College			
October 27	Houston	DAR Lineage Workshop Clayton Library			
November 15	Spring	San Jacinto Chapter DAR mtg.			
November 17	Houston	Paul Carrington Chapter mtg.			
November 20	Shenandoah	Freedom Chapter mtg.			
November 27	Tyler	Captain William Barron Chapter mtg.			
November 28	Lufkin	Nathan Gann Chapter / Thomas Gann			
December 1	Galveston	Queen's Parade - Dickens on the Strand			
December 1	Galveston	Bernardo de Galvez Chapter mtg.			
December 6	Longview	East Texas Chapter mtg.			
December 7	Dallas	Dallas Chapter Officers dinner			
December 8	Dallas	Dallas Chapter mtg.			
December 10	Austin	Wreaths Across America kickoff			
December 13	McKinney	McKinney Chapter mtg.			
December 15	Houston	Wreaths Across America			
December 15	Houston	Paul Carrington Chapter mtg.			
December 15	Spring	Granaderos y Damas de Galvez Christmas party			
January 8	Houston	DAR - Alexander Love mtg			
January 8	Beaumont	Paul Revere Chapter mtg.			
January 10	Athens	Athens Chapter mtg.			
January 11	Salado	Dinner with DVP Ron & Eileen Walcik			
January 12	Salado	Breakfast with incoming Chapter Officers			
January 12	Salado	Heart of Texas Chapter mtg.			
January 19	San Antonio	San Antonio Chapter mtg.			
January 22	College Station	Independence Chapter mtg.			
January 26	Houston	DAR Lineage Workshop Clayton Library			
February 2	Conroe	Freedom Chapter Genealogy Fair			

February 16	Bryan	DAR area chapters Presidents' Day Luncheon
February 18	Houston	Paul Carrington George Washington Dinner
February 19	Spring	DAR - Heritage Trails Chapter mtg
Feb 22-23	Laredo	GW parade
February 24	Houston	DAR Rodeo dinner Color Guard
March 11	Columbus	DAR - John Everett
March 12	Houston	DAR - Lady Washington Chapter
March 16	Houston	Paul Carrington Chapter mtg.
March 16	Shenandoah	Freedom Chapter
March 17	Spring	Granaderos y Damas de Galvez
March 22	Houston	DAR State Conference, Greetings & Color Guard
April 4-7	Austin	TX SAR Annual Conference

At the Chapter level I made the following stops as well:

May 31	Houston	Kahla MS includes Betsy Ross and Ben Franklin
September 11	Houston	Post Elementary Patriot Day
November 2	Bellaire	Pin Oak MS
November 9	Houston	Lowery Elementary Veteran's Day
November 16	Cypress	Robison Elementary Colonial day
November 16	Houston	Fiest Elementary Colonial Day
October	Houston	Monthly mtg.
November 14	Katy	Monthly mtg.
January 9	Katy	Monthly mtg.
February 13	Katy	Monthly mtg.

David Temple – President Elect

Since the Board of Managers Meeting in New Braunfels I have attended chapter meetings in Dallas and Plano. I also gave a presentation to the Hill Country Chapter in March and inducted their new slate of chapter officers.

I have worked with Vice President ACMA John Hamlin in evaluating chapter annual reports for determination of Texas Society SAR contests. I assisted in preparing the awards script and our discussions have led to a possible need for a written set of procedures for the chairman of the Awards Sub-Committee of the ACMA Committee.

I participated in discussions as part of the NSSAR Genealogy Sub-Committee on Acceptable Dates of SAR Applications in preparation for the Spring Leadership Meeting.

I will have attended the Texas CAR Banquet on March 30, 2019 and brought greetings from the Texas Society SAR.

John Beard – Immediate Past President / Trustee

Trustee Report From the Spring Leadership Meeting Louisville KY - March 2, 2019

The Spring Leadership Meeting of the Trustees was held in Louisville, KY at the Brown Hotel on March 2, 2019. The following major topics were discussed, and actions taken:

- 1. Congress registration is supposed to open on May 1, 2019, however, Paul Callanan stated it would most likely not open until May 15, 2019 because of system issues.
- 2. The 2023 Congress will be hosted by the Florida Society. Most likely venue will be Orlando. Passed by Trustees.
- 3. Discussions and updates were made on the King's College project, self-sustaining through donations and the Education Center and Museum.
- 4. New online application will be tested between Spring and Fall Leadership meetings with a target of approving the new application at the Fall 2019 Leadership meeting.

These were the highlights of the significant actions taken by the Trustees at the Spring Leadership Meeting which started 20 minutes late, no reason given.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Beard

Mike Radcliff – Alternate Trustee

No Report

Drake Peddie – Secretary

Spring Convention Report – 9 March 2019

- Received and processed all new member packets from National created new membership cards, etc. and forwarded to appropriate chapter within a week of receipt from National.
- Received and processed all supplemental packets from National and forwarded to appropriate chapter within a week of receipt from National.
- Received and processed all Reinstatements, Transfers (In/Out of Texas) and Reinstatement-Transfers (both), forwarding to National and Texas SAR as required.
- Update and publish online membership rosters on a regular basis several times each month.
- Update and publish online Chapter Officers lists on a regular basis each month.
- Completed reconciliation process with NSSAR in March.

- Update and publish Chapter Membership summaries available for Texas SAR officers and District VPs that provided useful summary information on all Texas SAR Chapters.
- Established delegate credentials for all Texas SAR Chapter based on chapter membership as of 31 January 2019. Then provided Voting Cards to the Convention host Chapter to pass out via a provided list at the registration desk at check-in for the convention.
- Created and printed certificates for upcoming Texas SAR Convention for medals and awards presented by State President Thomas Jackson – ordered additional medals and certificates from NSSAR Store as required.
- Provided list of deceased members for 2018 to State Chaplain and Convention host chapter.
- Received and reviewed all paperwork for the Quanah Parker Chapter #67 in Vernon, TX. Provided processes and procedures to support the compatriots forming the chapter. Created the new Charter for the chapter and registered the new chapter with the National Society. In December 2018, attended the charting meeting with the new chapter and presented the new charter to the members in addition to swearing in new members and new officers for the new chapter for 2019.
- Reviewed and processed Patriot Medal recipients approved applications through NSSAR and ordered the medals for presentation in April 2019.
- Evaluated proposal to create a database for NSSAR website potential new member applicants. Database is not appropriate due to complexity and lack of general database knowledge in the society – it is overkill. A simple spreadsheet is adequate that is created by Communications Secretary (already being done) and provided to District VPs as needed. Not appropriate for one person to cover all these – too wide of an area. Recommend District VPs handle their own area.
- Continued to work on administrative and database process descriptions for State Secretary's Operations Guide for future state secretaries.
- Current Membership Data (as of 4 March 2019)
 - Active / Current (renewed on time includes Life & Perpetual Members) 2,608
 - New Members (after 1 Jan 2019) 85 (31 more than last year)
 - Active / Reinstated (Current Year & over one year) 17
 - Transferred In (transfers to Texas from other states) 0
 - Junior Members (renewed on time & new members for 2019) 152 (25 more than last year)
 - Emeritus Members (members over 50 years approved by NSSAR) 14
 - Deceased (Calendar year 2019 to date) 4
 - Dropped (2019 non-renewals to date) 447 (16 less than last year)
 - TOTAL MEMBERSHIP (includes Juniors) 2,888 (138 more than last year)

Sam Massey – Communications Secretary

Texas SAR Communications Secretary Report - Samuel P. Massey, Jr.

Apr 4-7, 2019 - State Mtg Austin

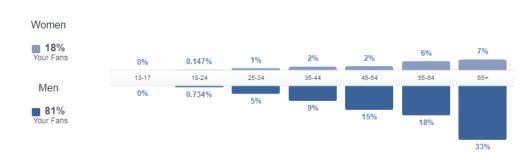
Report covers activities between 06 Sep 2018 to 21 Mar 2019

Greater Houston Area Presidents Council

Working with Mel Oller to create a new group to bring together the chapters in the Houston area for the purposes of awareness of information, sharing best practices, encouragement of all chapters/members, and of course the foundational objectives of SAR. This group does not replace the functions or responsibilities of the Vice Presidents of division seven and eight. Governance will be the current presidents of the chapters with the group secretary and group chairman to be elected by the chapter presidents. Possible activities to include for this group are: common public events for the whole group with CAR, DAR, Scouts, ROTC, schools, universities, civic groups, churches, and government.

Private events for SAR to promote best practices, future state and national events, leadership training and opportunities at the state and national level, increased chapter attendance between chapter events, and of course the general common fulfillment of all SAR members.

Initial plans: April Conference call, May chapter presidents mtg w/meal, June group event for chapters



Sharing Texas SAR via Facebook

Page stats: 681 Likes, 712 Followers, 20 Posts, 1 Events, 6 Visitor posts

Fan analysis:

City	Your Fans	Waco, TX	5		
Houston, TX	68				
San Antonio, TX	31	Beaumont, TX	4		
Dallas, TX	22	Brazoria, TX	4		
Austin, TX	19	Cedar Park, TX	4		
Fort Worth, TX	18	Frisco, TX	4		
Arlington, TX	11	Georgetown, TX	4		
The Woodlands, TX	11	Magnolla, TX	4		
		New Braunfels, TX	4		
Lake Jackson, TX	10	Stephenville, TX	4		
McKinney, TX	9	Sulphur Springs, TX	4		
Conroe, TX	8	Granbury, TX	4		
Amarillo, TX	7				
College Station, TX	7	Greensboro, NC	3		
Plano, TX	7	Angleton, TX	3		
Sugar Land, TX	6	Bedford, TX	3		
Bryan, TX	5	Burnet, TX	3		
Carthage, TX	5	Lampasas, TX	3		
Corpus Christi, TX	5	League City, TX	3		
Humble, TX	5	Mellssa, TX	3		
Lubbock, TX	5	Mesquite, TX	3	Temple, TX	3
Spring, TX	5	Mineola, TX	3	Longview, TX	3
Tyler, TX	5	Paris, TX	3	Flower Mound, TX	3

Connecting prospective new members to chapters: 333/196 or 1.69 requests/day

05 via Texas SAR from: forms@txssar.org RE: TXSSAR Joining Request Information

328 via National SAR from: no-reply@sar.org RE: Potential New Member Lead

Sent out DADA message emails on behalf of Texas SAR: 61

- 08 to Members with 2943 email addresses
- 06 to Color Guard list with 168 email addresses
- 16 to Chapter Presidents with 215 email addresses
- 08 to Board of Managers with 56 email addresses
- 04 to Chapter Registrars and Geneologists with 76 email addresses
- 05 to State Committee Chairmen with 65 email addresses
- 05 to Ladies Auxillary with 138 email addresses

07 to State Officers with 30 email addresses

01 to only District VPs with 11 email addresses

00 to only Executive Committee with 10 email addresses

01 to only Past Texas State Presidents with 17 email addresses

"edits" in bold Published new DADA guideline

DADA Bulk Mailer Management Lists

DADA email lists are maintained by the Communications Secretary. Permission for inclusion on DADA private email lists is implied by your acceptance of office and is therefore automatic for the Executive Committee, State Officers, District VP's, Chapter Presidents, BOM, Chapter Registrars, and State Committee Chairs, **Past Texas Presidents**. Inclusion is voluntary for Members, Ladies Auxiliary, Color Guard lists.

These are the DADA lists and those who can approve messages to be sent:

- 1. Executive Committee President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
- 2. Members* President
- 3. State Officers President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
- 4. District VPs President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
- 5. Chapter Presidents President, Council of Chapter Presidents Chairman
- 6. BOM President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
- 7. Chapter Registrars President, Secretary, Staff Secretary, Coastal and Inland Registrars
- 8. State Committee Chairs President, Secretary, Staff Secretary
- 9. Ladies Auxillary* Ladies Auxillary President
- 10. Color Guard* Color Guard Commander

11. Past Texas Presidents - President

Messages

DADA email messages are sent out by the Communications Secretary only.

Replies to DADA email messages only go to the Communications Secretary, so do not reply to DADA messages. Message authors should prepare their messages with all Draft message requirements, links and attachments, and submit them to the correct approvers, copying the Communications Secretary.

Approvers need to check the message for policy alignment with Texas SAR.

The Communications Secretary has editorial license to clarify and correct messages.

Draft message requirements:

- 1. Subject line
- 2. Draft message
- 3. Authors name
- 4. Authors SAR title
- 5. Authors email address and/or phone number

Jim Kuykendall – Staff Secretary

- Conflict of Interest reports sent out. All but 8 returned. Duties turned over to Compatriot Wayne A Courreges Jr on March 14, 2019
- Officer Reports All Officer reports received have been posted to the website.

• Committee Reports – All Chairmen reports that were sent in have been posted on the website.

Russell Dart – Treasurer

No Report

Wayne A. Courreges Jr. – Audit/Compliance

- The Audit Committee did not meet in the Springtime. As the newly appointed Texas Society
- Compliance Officer, I have taken those duties over from Texas Society Staff Secretary Jim Kuykendall effective March 14, 2019.
 - Together we have requested the completion of "Conflict of Interest" forms over this past year from all officers and committee chairmen and vice-chairmen.
 - I am pleased to report that we have received a completed signed "Conflict of Interest" forms from all except 9. Of those received, there are no conflicts to bring to the attention to the State Society after four (4) requests for review returned as "no conflict."
 - Those that are missing are: Reverend Frank H. Pounders, John M. Hamlin, Rick Ramirez, Peter Baron, Ed Butler, Sr., Brent Monteleone, Harmon Adair, Jr., Robert Hites (deployed), Peter McLellan.
- Since assuming this responsibility, I have sent out two (2) requests via email to those listed compatriots above whose "Conflict of Interest" forms were not on file as of March 18th and 19th and a reminder was sent on March 26th.
- I will have blank forms with me at our Texas Society SAR Convention in case there are any attending, who wish to complete their form there.

Registrar (Coastal Group)					
	Jack	A. Muggli			
	OCT 11, 2018 1	THRU MAR 18, 2019			
Chapter	Chapter #	New Applications	Supplementals	DAR Finder Forms	
Bernardo de Galvez	1	4	0	4	
San Antonio	4	15	15	15	
Paul Carrington	5	12	2	12	
Col. Turner Sharp	9	0	2	0	

<u> Jack Muggli - Registrar – Coastal</u>

Patrick Henry	11	12	0	12
Corpus Christi	14	2	0	2
Big Country	16	2	0	0
Major White	17	0	0	0
Paul Revere	19	1	0	1
Heart of Texas	26	8	1	8
Lt. Nathan Gann	28	1	0	1
Hill Country	31	0	0	0
Waco	32	0	0	0
Cradle of Texas	33	3	1	3
William Hightower	35	11	2	11
Freedom	38	13	7	13
Independence	40	5	0	5
Bluebonnet	41	0	0	0
Liberty	42	1	0	1
Brazos Valley	45	0	0	0
Alexander Hodge	49	3	0	3
Victoria	50	2	0	2
Piney Woods (2 memorials)	51	6	4	5
Athens	54	6	0	6
Live Oak	55	0	0	0
Laredo	61	0	0	0
Robert Rankin	62	0	3	0
Boerne	64	0	0	0
Alexander Hamilton	66	7	0	7
Total received:		114	37	111
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Transmitted to National:		85	24	
Awaiting Chapter Response		19	7	
Coastal Registrar Review		10	6	
Transmitted Approved:		62	2	
Pended to Date:		3	2	

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	Special I	Handling Applications:				
Chapter:	Туре:	Reason:	Status:			
Patrick Henry #11 Expedited 92 year old in III health appd 2/26/201						
	Expedited	100 year old in declining Health	appd 1/29/2019			
	Expedited	103 year old in declining Health	appd 1/17/2019			
Independence #40	Expedited	Retired 4 star General for State meeting in April '19	appd 3/6/2019			
Piney Woods #51	Memorial		appd 3/14/2019			
Memorial In process as of 25/Feb/19						
Alex Hamilton # 66	Expedited	92 year old in III health	in process as of 3/18/19			
	Don Shaw -	Executive Director				
	Geneology Up	odate 19 March 2019				
Oldest Supplemental a	waiting approval is 8	35826 received on 23 NOV 2018 (15 v	veeks, 4 days)			
Applicati	ons entered into dat	abase for 08 MAR, - 14 MAR, 2019				
		44 New				
		ipplementals				
	(06 Junior				
		60 Total				
A	Applications approve	d 08 MAR, - 14 MAR, 2019				
		87 New				
	31	Supplementals				

01 Memorial
119 Total
Applications Pended 08 MAR, - 14 MAR, 2019
16 New
7 Supplemental
23 Total
Total Membership to date 34,603

Jerry Brown - Registrar – Inland

Registrar Inland BOM report April 2019

Since October 2018:

New applications submitted 75

Supplemental Applications Submitted 12

<u>Tracy Pounders – Chancellor</u>

Rev Frank Pounders – Chaplin

Harmon Adair Jr. – Historian

History and Archives Report April 2019

This will be my final report as TX SAR Historian, John Anderson of the Arlington will be elected as the Historian at the 2019 Annual Conference in Auston TX.

Links to TXSSAR History and Archives Online:

Finding Aid to the Collection: <u>http://findingaids.library.unt.edu/?p=collections/findingaid&id=207</u> Portal to Texas History, TX SAR Archives:

https://texashistory.unt.edu/explore/collections/TSSAR/browse/

or google: Portal of Texas History UNT

then search: Sons of American Revolution

Six new links for TX SAR information which are now online at the UNT Portal of Texas History:

Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution, Society History, Biographies, Portraits and Genealogy, Second Edition, Volume I:

https://digital.library.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metadc1452547/

Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution, Society History, Biographies, Portraits and Genealogy, Volume II, 1980-2005

https://digital.library.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metadc1452598/

TX SAR State Convention programs, **State Convention minutes and Board of Managers minutes from 1970 to Present:**

https://texashistory.unt.edu/search/?q=minutes&t=fulltext&sort=added_d&fq=untl_collection%3ATSSAR

This link will take you to the full collection of over **200 TX SAR digital photos and some chapter newsletters** that have been coming in:

https://texashistory.unt.edu/explore/collections/TSSAR/browse/

Six books of the **Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution (TXSSAR) Membership Records (digital** scans of original applications unindexed);

https://texashistory.unt.edu/search/?q=Texas+Society%2C+Sons+of+the+American+Revolution+%28TXS SAR%29+Membership+Records&t=fulltext&sort=

The title and the description of the online volumes is:

Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution (TXSSAR) Membership Records

TX SAR statistics for our collection online, this will tell you how many people have viewed items in the TXSSAR digital archives:

https://texashistory.unt.edu/explore/collections/TSSAR/stats/

Individual chapter records storage of both current and old records.

To make a donation to the TXSSAR Archives of materials or other items, please contact The Rare Book & Texana Collections at (940) 565-2769 for instructions and any address changes:

The Rare Book & Texana Collections TXSSAR Archives UNT Libraries P.O. Box 305190 Denton, TX 76203 Shipping address for heavy items, or through carriers who will not deliver to a post office box: TXSSAR Archives Rare Book & Texana Collections, Willis Library 1506 W. Highland Denton, TX 76203

UNT Archives is notified me that they are not receiving updated meeting minutes and newsletters from chapters. Chapters should send Monthly Newsletters only once a year by email or thumb drives if possible.

Scrap books are not being sent to the Archives (The binders are not necessary to be sent to Archives)

Research of Chapter Archives

Research of Chapter Archives is available contact Morgan Gieringer UNT for help and she explained to me the two options were available for research of our records. UNT Staff librarians or graduate students could be contracted to do the research. I inquired what the price was for UNT Staff Librans to do the research and I was quoted \$50.00 hour.

Morgan Davis Gieringer University Archivist & Head of Special Collections University of North Texas 940-369-8657 morgan.gieringer@unt.edu

Respectfully submitted on April 3, 2019, Harmon L. Adair, Jr. Texas SAR Historian

<u> John Hamlin VP – CM & A</u>

Vice President Americanism, Contests, Medals, & Awards

CONTEST – The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. There were six entries in this contest from around the state. The winner will be determined at the yearly meeting in April in Austin. The Knight Essay Contest had a total of twelve entries from different chapters. The winner was Katherine Hill from the Piney Woods Chapter. Her essay was titled "Determination Established A Nation".

In the Eagle Scout Essay Contest. The winner was Trevor Darryl Burke of the Dallas Chapter. The Tom Lawrence History Teacher Award went to Ms. Shareefah Mason from New Tech High School in Dallas

The JROTC winner was Cadet William Capt from Waller High School. Cadet Behrend is sponsored by the Robert Rankin Chapter. There were only two entries from the state In the JROTC Contest. Finally, the C.A.R. Essay winner was Charles Jacob Hudson Sponsoring Chapter was the Heart of Texas Chapter.

Final total of participation for the state SAR is improving with more chapters getting involved. All state chapters should be pushing all of our contests at every opportunity. Texas SAR is looking for new Committee Chairman for Oration, Poster, Brochure, and Newsletter committee. Much thanks to Bill Whatley for their help these past few years as chairmen of the Poster committee.

MEDALS: At the October BOM the membership voted to approve a committee to design a 125th Anniversary medal. Members on the committee are John Hamlin, Chairman Tom

Whitelock, former state Presidents David Peterson, Mike Radcliff, Dr. Robert Cohen, Former PG Tom Lawrence, PG Nathan White and Bill Marrs. This committee will meet at the Yearly meeting in Austin in 2019 to work on a design to be presented to the BOM in 2019.

AWARDS: The Americanism Committee will be studying a proposal to have a Chapter Website Contest added to our Contests to go along with the Shipman Newsletter and the Chapter Yearbook Contests.

Since the BOM in October I have visited with the following chapters: Cradle of Texas Chapter, Paul Carrington Chapter, and the Alexander Hodge Chapter.

<u>Larry Spradlin VP – District 1</u>

Ben Pollard VP – District 2

District 2 Vice President Ben C Pollard March 18, 2019 Report

District 2 Chapters: Chapter 10 Panhandle Plains Amarillo Chapter 15 Texas Tech Lubbock

The Panhandle Plains Chapter Held a Joint Luncheon with the local DAR Chapters for Constitution week on September 22rd. Chuck Hartline, George West and Robert Caraway provided a Color Guard. Ben Pollard and Chuck Hartline participated in the Color Guard for the chartering of the Quanah Parker Chapter in Vernon TX on Feb 23rd.

The Texas Tech Chapter held a joint meeting with the DAR on Sep 20th in Lubbock, TX.

<u>Stuart Hoyt VP – District 3</u>

District 3 Vice President

Stu Hoyt

March 21, 2019

To: Staff Secretary, Texas SAR Society Report Summary:

There are 4 Chapters in District #3. They include: San Antonio (#4), Hill Country (#31), William High Tower (#35) and Boerne (#64).

The Chapters do not hold Chapter Meetings during the summer months, but do re-convene their monthly meetings in the fall beginning in September and through the winter and spring. Chapter Activities: I did not get to visit Hill Country before the Spring Conference. I visited San Antonio on March 20th and performed the officer installation in Boerne on Jan 26th. I also

attended William Hightower Chapter and performed the officer installation and assisted in celebrating their 35th anniversary on 14 March 2019.

All Chapters are active and provide good information for their members.

During my visit I promoted the chapter growth through young member and supplements, events that acquired points for the chapter report, recruiting in general, and the Spring Conference, and the new Compatriots Grave program.

• San Antonio Chapter: President Dustin Whittenburg is providing good leadership through an active Executive Committee. The Chapter actively participates in the following SAR Programs: Color Guard Events; Americanism Poster Contest; BSA Eagle Scout; Scholarship Contest; Essay Contest; ROTC/JROTC Awards; Veteran Programs; Recognition of Good Citizenship, Law Enforcement and Fire Safety, Acts of Heroism and Genealogy. Emphasis on recruiting new and younger members.

• Hill Country Chapter: President Kevin Pickard is providing good leadership through his Executive Committee. I spoke with Al Gibson and he is willing to serve as Vice President for District #3 for 2019 - 2020. The Chapter actively participates in the following SAR Program: Color Guard Events, Americanism Poster Contest; BSA Eagle Scout;

Scholarship Contest; Essay Contest; Oration Contest; ROTC/JROTC; Veteran Programs; and Genealogy. Emphasis on recruiting new and younger members.

• Wm. Hightower Chapter: President Steve Polk is providing is providing good leadership through his Executive Committee. The Chapter actively participates in the following SAR Programs: Color Guard Events; Veteran Programs, Genealogy, Support Our Active Duty Military Programs, J.R.O.T.C. Awards, Veterans Projects, Recognition of Good Citizenship & Acts of Heroism, and Awards for Outstanding Police and Firemen. Emphasis on recruiting new members.

• Boerne Chapter: President William Blackman is actively providing good leadership to the Chapter. The lost their Color Guard Commander due to an untimely auto accident and I out forward my support in bring a new commander up to speed. The Chapter participates in the following SAR Programs: Color Guard Events, Patriotic Projects, Support Our Active Duty Military Programs, J.R.O.T.C. Awards, Veterans Programs, Recognition of Good Citizenship & Acts of Heroism, Awards to Outstanding Police and Firemen, Genealogical Research.

It appears that all is well in District #3. Sincerely, Stu Hoyt Vice President District #3 **Ronald Walcik – VP District 4**

District 4 Chapters:

Chapter 11	Patrick Henry	Austin
Chapter 26	Heart of Texas	Salado
Chapter 32	Waco	Waco
Chapter 41	Bluebonnet	Marble Falls
Chapter 66	Alexander Hamilton	Georgetown

Report on District Activities:

- <u>Patrick Henry # 11</u>: Held regular meetings in November and December 2018 and January and March 2019. Participated in a joint George Washington Birthday luncheon and program with Alexander Hamilton Chapter and Austin DAR Chapters in February 2019.
- <u>Heart of Texas # 26</u>: Held regular meetings in November 2018, January 2019, and March 2019. Participated in a joint George Washington Birthday Luncheon with Bell County DAR and CAR chapters in February 2019.
- <u>Waco # 32</u>: Held regular meetings in September 2018 and February and March 2019. Several members attended the February Bell County joint George Washington Birthday Luncheon in Temple.
- <u>Bluebonnet # 41</u>: Held regular meetings in November, 2108 and January and February 2019.
- <u>Alexander Hamilton # 66</u>: Held regular monthly meetings in November and December 2018, and January and March 2019. Participated in a joint George Washington Birthday luncheon and program with Patrick Henry Chapter and Austin DAR Chapters in February 2019.

District VP Activities:

- Participated with Texas SAR Color Guard in the Fredericksburg Veterans Day Parade.
- Attended November, December 2018 and March 2019, Patrick Henry Chapter meetings.
- Attended November 2018, January 2019, and March 2019 Heart of Texas Chapter meetings.
- Attended December 2017 Alexander Hamilton Chapter meeting. and installed their new officers.
- Attended Bell County joint SAR/DAR/CAR George Washington Birthday Luncheon in February.
- Participated in an Operation Ancestry Search program with members of the Patrick Henry and Alexander Hamilton Chapters at the Fort Hood Warrior Transition Brigade on Fort Hood in March.

Ronald Carter VP – District 5

Gary Lovell – VP District 6

District Six Report

G.W. Lovell, Vice President April 5, 2019

Chapter#	Name	Location	Current President
2	Dallas	Dallas	Thomas Van Fossen
37	Plano	Plano	Nick Gilliam
47	East Fork-Trinity	Garland/Rockwall	Robert Vickers

In order to enhance our relationship with the DAR and increase referrals, all three Chapters meet regularly with local DAR Chapters. This liaison seems natural, many District 6 Compatriots are HODARs.

Support of DAR, Jane Douglas Chapter, continued with SAR Compatriots from four Chapters (Dallas, East Fork-Trinity, Edmund Terrill, and Arlington) on duty at the DAR Continental House during the 2018 Texas State Fair. It is unknown how many new members might result from this effort, but many contacts did occur. During this year Dallas has received 57, Plano has received 48, and East Fork-Trinity has received 20 referrals via DADA.

A District 6 attempt is underway to aid the Jane Douglas DAR Chapter financially in their efforts to maintain their Continental House at the State Fair. The Jane Douglas Chapter has invited the SAR to this location for the purpose of public relations and recruitment since the 1980s. The SAR typically has several members on location for the entire State Fair. We meet literally hundreds of potential members here every year.

The Continental House is in desperate need of repairs. It would seem appropriate if the SAR could repay some of this hospitality by helping

financially with these repairs. Hopefully this will be discussed at current Committee Meetings.

District 6 currently has 46 non-paid members. This number is down from 59 indicating an effort on the part of all three chapters to encourage dues payment. Once again we are looking for the correct level of dues collection, effective but not intrusive. Member retention continues to be our greatest issue, sadly with no permanent solution.

The three District 6 Chapters maintain updated websites. Dallas and East Fork-Trinity publish monthly newsletters and Plano has a Facebook page. Dallas, Plano and East Fork-Trinity have active Color Guards. Many chapter level events occur monthly with standing invitations for all SAR to attend.

There is great Color Guard cooperation between all Chapters.

Dallas Chapter #2

The Dallas Chapter is the foundation of District 6, and with a chapter number like 2 they must be acknowleged as a founding member of the TXSSAR. Keeping with their long standing tradition, the Dallas Chapter meets at the Presbyterian Village North Retirement Community, 8600 Skyline Dr. on the second Saturday at 8:30 AM. Many State Officers and State Committee Members and two Emeritus Members call Dallas their primary chapter. Also according to long standing tradition, Dallas is very active with community awards: Essay Contest winner Trevor Burke; First Responders (Law-EMS-Fire); Poster Contest; Oration Contest; and Veterans Affairs. The Chapter also contributes financially to several community events, including the Jane Douglas Chapter, DAR.

Plano Chapter #37

The Plano Chapter meets at the Outback Steak House in Plano on the first Tuesday at 7:00 PM. Meetings are well attended by members and spouses. Plano also is very active in Youth Award Programs, and Veteran support programs. They again sponsored their annual Flag Retirement Ceremony and the Chapter was named Grand Marshall of the Plano 4th of July Parade. Last year Plano and East Fork-Trinity cosponsored a very successful State Convention. Plano and East Fork-Trinity will co-sponsor the SAR 2021 State Convention at the Hyatt Regency 701 East Campbell Road, Richardson Texas, 75081.

East Fork-Trinity Chapter #47

The East Fork-Trinity Chapter meets the Second Thursday at 7:00 PM at Siciliano's 2210 W Buckingham, Garland. After many years, EFTwas forced to relocate their meeting location by a change in management at the previous restaurant.

The search for an appropriate meeting place proved to be most challenging. Restaurants with large, private meeting rooms, eager to provide the needed hospitality are few. In an effort to track interest to a successful conclusion, EFT Registrar, David Powell, regularly publishes an updated listing of potential new members with status of the application noted.

Registrar Powell has an assistant in training.

In cooperation with the Rock Wall DAR Chapter, East Fork-Trinity presented it's fourth annual EFT Scholarship to Rockwall High School Senior Emily King. Emily attended the East Fork-Trinity March 14th meeting and presented her winning essay to our membership. Summary

Dallas, Plano, and East Fork-Trinity Chapters have all seated a great slate of officers for 2019. Faithful Compatriots active in the past continue their enthusiastic support. Hopefully we can maintain the perspective members pride and patriotism have once they are inducted. Since May 2018, I have attended 27 chapter meetings and 1 district meeting. Chapter meetings are well attended, well organized and efficiently run with interesting speakers.

Committee reports on past and upcoming events maintain interest and activity.

District 6 is solid.

Respectfully Submitted,

G.W. Lovell, District 6 Vice President Ronald Brown – VP District 7

<u>Allen Green VP – District 8</u>

H Allen Greene, VICE PRESIDENT DISTRICT 8

CAPTAIN JOHN MCADAMS CHAPTER # 27 - HUNTSVILLE FREEDOM CHAPTER # 38 – CONROE INDEPENDENCE CHAPTER # 40 – COLLEGE STATION PINEYWOODS CHAPTER # 51 – KINGWOOD ROBERT RANKIN CHAPTER # 62 – KATY

ALL FIVE (5) CHAPTERS ARE ACTIVE AND GROWING. EACH PARTICIPATED IN THE 2018 ANNUAL Report. ALL MEET MONTHLY EXCEPT SUMMERTIME. DISTRICT PRIMARY ACTIVITIES

INCLUDE: ROTC/JROTC AWARDS AND SCHOLASHIPS; EAGLE SCOUT AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS; AMERICAN HISTORY STUDENT AND TEACHER AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS;

FIRST RESPONDER RECOGNITION; ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE AND PROVIDE COLOR GUARDS AT

FLAG DAY, SEASONAL PARADES, VETERANS SUPPORT AND RECOGNITION INCLUDING WREATHS

ACROSS AMERICA, IMMIGRATION NATURALZATION CEREMONIES; SUPPORT DAR, CAR, SRT,

DRT, AMERICAN LEGION; CHAPTER DELEGATES ATTEND STATE AND NATIONAL SOCIETY

EVENTS; PRESENTATIONS FOR AMERICAN HISTORY AT SCHOOLS; PROVIDE PUBLIC SPEAKERS;

PROVIDE RECOGNITION TO CHAPTER MEMBERS FOR SERVICE AND

PARTICIPATION; AND

SEVERAL MEMBERS HOLD STATE AND NATIONAL SOCIETY OFFICER POSITIONS. THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED ON 4/3/2019 BY:

H Allen Greene

K. B. Hallmark VP – District 9

William Sekel VP – District 10

October 12 – 14, 2018 attended TX SAR Board of Managers meeting in New Braunfels.

October 26, 2018 attended First Responder Awards Banquet in Henderson County.

November 8, 2018 attended the Athens Chapter meeting.

November 11, 2018 hosted a Veterans Day Memorial at Edom Cemetery.

November 12, 2018 read a proclamation at the Van Zandt County War Memorial.

November 17, 2018 attended the Patrick Henry Chapter meeting and gave a presentation on the Continental Marines.

November 24, 2018 hosted a Patriot Grave Marker Dedication for Pvt Benjamin Anderson in Rusk County.

November 27, 2018 attended the Captain William Barron Chapter meeting.

December 2, 2018 attended the Fredonia Chapter meeting.

December 6, 2018 attended the East Texas Chapter meeting.

December 15, 2018 participated in Wreaths across America at Texas State Cemetery, Austin.

January 10, 2019 attended the Athens Chapter meeting hosted TX SAR President Tom Jackson.

January 12, 2019 hosted Grave Marker Dedication for TX SAR Past President Robert Kurth in Lufkin.

January 13, 2019 attended Boy Scout Council meeting in Van Zandt County.

January 22, 2019 attended the Captain William Barron Chapter meeting.

February 7, 2019 attended the East Texas Chapter meeting.

February 20, 2019 attended the Daniel McMahon Chapter DAR George Washington tea.

March 14, 2019 attended the Athens Chapter meeting.

March 21, 2019 attended the Lieutenant Nathan Gann Chapter meeting.

March 26, 2019 attended the Captain William Barron Chapter meeting.

District 10 is comprised of the following Chapters:

Captain William Barron in Tyler #25, Lieutenant Nathan Gann Chapter in Lufkin #28, Athens Chapter in Athens #54, East Texas Chapter in Longview #57 and the Fredonia Chapter in Nacogdoches #58.

1. Captain William Barron Chapter #25 in Tyler.

The Captain William Barron Chapter continues to grow and inducts new members at almost every meeting, it is the largest Chapter in the District. Their Youth programs have been a huge success with many students participating in oration, poster and essay contests. This year's essay contestant won at the State Level and National Level. The Chapter meets the fourth Tuesday of every odd month at Tradition's Restaurant on South Broadway.

2. Lt. Nathan Gann Chapter #28 in Lufkin.

The Lt. Nathan Gann Chapter is maintaining their membership. However, their Chapter is being maintained by two of its officers and there seems to be a lack of interest to hold meetings due to lack of participation. I recently hosted a grave marker dedication in Lufkin and we received a nice write up in the local newspaper so hopefully we will see some interest.

3. The Athens Chapter #54 in Athens.

The Athens Chapter is a very important part of the Athens community. For many years the chapter has awarded and recognized students and public officials throughout the Athens area. Their JROTC candidate won at the State Level. They inducted eight new members at their March meeting. The Chapter meets on the second Thursday in January, March, September and November.

4. East Texas Chapter #57 in Longview.

The East Texas Chapter continues their program to actively recruit new members and to retain current members. The Chapter works closely with the local DAR Chapter to recognize local public officials for their service to the community. The Chapter meets on the first Thursday of every even month.

5. Fredonia Chapter #58 in Nacogdoches.

The Fredonia Chapter has taken an aggressive approach to increase their membership and to retain current members. Following my advice they have started to think outside the box and to reconnect with programs that should bring them some publicity while fulfilling the goals of the Society. They meet on the second Thursday of March, May, September and November.

<u>Terry Holden – VP District 11</u>

Subject: TXS-SAR Vice President, District 11 Report Date: 20 March 2019

District 11 is comprised of the following chapters: Denton #23 in Denton, Edmund Terrill #34 in Sherman, Ambassador Warren Fletcher #43 in Greenville, McKinney #63 in McKinney and Red River Valley #65 in Paris.

Recruiting and retention of members is a major concern for each of the chapters. So the growth of membership has been an ongoing issue with all of the chapters. Recruitment of membership and retention is reflected by the following statics.

Notice: The membership numbers are taken from the chapter members rosters on the TXS-SAR

website and it is noted that the gains/ loss number do not add up.

Denton #23 as of March 8, 2019 had 16 members according to the records reported by the TXSSAR Secretary. Currently the chapter has 16 active members, two of those are new members as of the end of 2018. The chapter currently has had 1 scheduled meeting this year, but the Chapter President claims to be scheduling one for later in the year. There are 7 prospective members for this chapter with 3 of those applications in review. There are 6 members who have not renewed their membership.

Edmund Terrill #34 as of March 8, 2019 had 39 members according to the records reported by the TXSSAR Secretary. Currently the chapter has 39 active members. Reviewing the records this indicates that the chapter has dropped 20 members that were transferred to the Quanah Parker Chapter #67. Additionally there are 7 prospective members, with 2 application in process. The chapter had 11 members who had not renewed their membership as of this report. The chapter currently meets 6 times a year on the 3rd Wednesday of the January, March, May, September, October and November for a lunch time meeting at the Denison Country Club. The Chapter was instrumental in establishing a new chapter in the Vernon, Texas area and chartered it on December 15, 2018 as the Quanah Parker #67 chapter. Additionally, they are working with 10 prospective members in the Wichita Falls area to re-establish the Wichita Falls Chapter. Long time member William T Grier, Jr. National#150481, TX#8276 passed away on 13 March 2019.

Ambassador Warren Fletcher #43 as of March 8, 2019 had 23 members according to the records reported by the TXSSAR Secretary. Currently the chapter has 22 active members. The chapter had 1 member who had not renewed his membership as of this report Reviewing the records this indicates that the chapter added one new members during this period and has 3 prospective members. The chapter has held 1 meeting this past year.

McKinney #63 as of March 8, 2019 had 44 members according to the records reported by the TXSSAR Secretary. The chapter had 1 member who had not renewed their membership as of this report. Reviewing the records the chapter has about 12 prospective members and are working on the documents for their applications. The chapter has added 15 new members since the last report and 4 junior members. Attendance at the meetings has increased this year and they are working on rebuilding the membership and attendance at the meetings.

Red River Valley #65 as of March 8, 2019 had 25 members according to the records reported by the TXSSAR Secretary. With the reinstatement of 2 members, currently the chapter has 27 active members. Reviewing the records this indicates that the chapter had 1 member who dropped or not renewed membership as of this report. There are 3 prospective members working on completing their application. The chapter currently meets on even number months on the 3rd Thursday at 6:30pm for an evening meeting at the Paris Country Club.

William Sekel – Council of Chapter Presidents

Did Not Meet – No Report

Jim Doughtery – Compatriot Editor

Ray Cox – Web Master