

TXSSAR Arlington Chapter #7

Registrar's Report

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- As of the Texas Society SAR Arlington roster with 2015 dues paid as of 02 Mar. 2015, we have 31 active compatriots, including 5 junior members. One of the three 2014 members with unpaid dues for 2015 is now paid. So, we now have 32 active compatriots.
- Junior applicant Mark Howard, now age 18 and grandson of Peni Andrews of Arlington's Lucretia Council Cochran DAR Chapter, was approved earlier this month. Therefore, we will have 33 active compatriots, including 6 junior members.
- Rumor has it that at the National Leadership Conference in Louisville, KY last week significant improvements to our DAR relationship were made. The word "respect" was used to describe our DAR relationship. Hopefully, this means it will be easier to use DAR sources on SAR applications. I'm sure more on this will come later.
- Four applicants are in the preparation process. They are Corey Walker, Daniel Kolb, Ned Myers and Scott Huffman. Hopefully, they will be ready to submit soon.

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Historian's Report

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- I'm excited about the new Historian officer Kevin Jorrey. I welcome his input to the office.
- As we've previously discussed, compatriot James Mitchel of the Bernardo de Galvez chapter in Galveston is heading up an effort to graveside mark each of our deceased Texas Society SAR Past Presidents. The Arlington Cemetery administrator says with family approval we are free to add markers. We have two Arlington Past Presidents that were also Texas SAR Past Presidents; Dr. Valin Woodward and Hon. Benton C. Collins. I've contacted the Arlington Historical Association seeking family contacts. They believe they do know of the families but I've not yet received their contact information.

My goal includes option 1 of having everything prearranged for the next north Texas Society local SAR state convention and to incorporate a color guard grave marking ceremony at that time. I'm not sure of how doable that is, but there are more options.

- Jim Johnson of the Denton chapter and one of the Texas Society SAR leaders in the past effort of getting SAR materials archived at UNT in Denton has asked that I attend the "History Breakout" meeting at the Houston convention. Our concern is about the procedure to keep new compatriots added to the archival process.

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Web Administrator's Report

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- Our chapter homepage is at www.txssar.org/Arlington. Since inception in June 2011, we now have 2474+ total hits (accesses) to this website. Bill Covington has recently provided some of his topics for our new "Speaker Bureau" webpage.
- Recent pictures are posted at www.txssar.org/Arlington/photos2015.php.
- Scrapbook videos are posted at www.txssar.org/Arlington/videos.php.
- Thanks to everyone providing pictures and videos for our website.
- The online **private** chapter Dropbox can be accessed at <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/1izglvhvuhh9mzy/AAAXOVZ4zk-KaK3JcagRBQnHa?dl=0>
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