

TXSSAR Arlington Chapter #7

Registrar's Report

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- Mike Hutchins, his son, brother, uncle, and nephew (total 5) have been approved by National SAR. All are adult regular memberships. Their inductions could be as early as Jan. 2016 if their packets are received by then. Only Mike lives in our area and he states the Feb. 2016 is probable for their induction as some may travel here. But if not we'll arrange something within their local chapters, Plano and Georgetown.
- As of today's date and including the Hutchins family, we now have 40 active compatriots, including 6 junior members.
- 2016 TX SAR dues are payable now. Please advise if there are any hardship issues.
- Current applications in progress are:
 - Corey Walker, father, 2 sons, 3 grandsons, and 2 nephews (total 9) applications have been approved by our TX Inland Registrar and are now at national for their review.
 - Candidates Joseph Connole and Ned Myers have their applications in progress.
 - I hear the addendums I made to my supplemental have been approved, but the SAR online listing has not been updated yet.

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Web Administrator's Committee Report

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- Our chapter homepage is at www.txssar.org/Arlington or www.texassar.org/Arlington. Since inception in June 2011, we now have 3231+ total hits (accesses) to this website. Most of these are by our membership, but occasionally by candidates and other chapters.
- Last month I revised all the “Youth Awards” webpages to improve formatting and add links to example past winning poster pictures, essays, videos, etc. Check them out and advise of your thoughts and revisions.
- Please click on your Compatriot Profile at <http://www.txssar.org/Arlington/roster.php> and contact me if it needs revision or if you wish to be added to the “Speakers Bureau” at <http://www.txssar.org/Arlington/speakers.php>.
- FYI,
 - Recent pictures are posted at www.txssar.org/Arlington/photos2015.php,
 - Scrapbook videos are posted at www.txssar.org/Arlington/video2014Scrapbook.php. Also, included is the link to the “TX SAR and You” by Bob Cohen.
 - Thanks to everyone providing pictures and videos for our website.
 - Once enrolled, the online **private** chapter Dropbox can be accessed at <https://www.dropbox.com>. Contact me if you need a login or have access questions.

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Grave Marking Committee Report

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- The Arlington chapter has two TX Society SAR Past Presidents both buried in the Arlington Cemetery at 801 Mary St. They are cousins and are:
 - **Benton Carter Collins**, 1893-1972, TX SAR President 1942, unmarked.
 - **Dr. Valin Ridge Woodward**, 1890-1969, TX SAR President 1938, previously marked.
- Both descend through maternal lines to their common ancestor **Patriot William Terrell Lewis** of Surry Co, NC. He was active in organization of troops in Hanover Co, VA and suppression of Tories in Surry Co, VA.
- The grave marking is now scheduled for Saturday March 12th, 2016 at 2:00 pm. This is the same date as our 2016 officer inductions by TX SAR President Larry Stephens. He has agreed to stay in Arlington for the day and take part in the Grave Marking ceremony. I've re-contacted these compatriots family and advised them of the schedule.
- Several of you stayed after last month's meeting and quickly decided we'd pay for the marker and expenses via member personal contributions. Thanks to everyone whom contributed. By my calculations we're within a few dollars of breaking even.
- Suggested invitees are Collins & Woodward families, Arlington Historical Association, Arlington Genealogical Society, local city government, local DAR and SAR chapters and BSA scouts, N. TX SAR Color Guard, and local ROTC groups. An "Announcement Brochure" is pending development.