Fairfax Resolves Chapter Virginia Society Sons of the American Revolution



Upcoming Events:

February 13: **Chapter Meeting**

March 13: **Chapter Meeting**

March 14-15: **Guilford Courthouse**

March 16: James Madison's Birthday

April 10: **Chapter Meeting**

May 17: **Chapter Meeting** President's Message January 2014

Compatriots,

Our growing membership is one of the many blessings we have received this past year from an almighty and benevolent Providence. This growth has also seen a sense of "anonymity" emerge within our ranks, and creates a simple communications problem. I would like to direct us towards fixing this problem in the coming year. The question is how?

I would like to suggest three ideas for your consideration.

Let us begin with the SAR Vietnam War Veterans Corps. First Vice President and Chaplain Howell Sasser has volunteered to lead an effort within our Chapter to enroll all eligible members in their respective Veterans Corps organization. I happily accept his proposal and commission First Vice President Sasser in this new assignment. In registering compatriots in the Veterans Corps, we have the opportunity for improved communications within our membership and to place the resources of the Chapter at their assistance when appropriate.

Next, each officer and current member should complete either a new application for a lineal family member or a personal supplemental application in 2014. How can we encourage new members if we ourselves are not familiar with what they are being asked to complete? Let us reintroduce ourselves to our own family research and the SAR application process so we can better welcome new members when they join us.

Lastly, each officer and interested member should contact our new Registrar and become an "Application Adjutant". Provide our Registrar with a preferred contact method (phone, email, etc). Contact the new applicant once they have been assigned to you by the Registrar. Introduce the applicant to those activities you participate in as a SAR member.

These suggestions, and other that you might have, will help us enjoy the similar blessings in the new year.

Very respectfully, William W. "Bill" Price President

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2014 Rumbaugh Orations Competition

Six competitors presented orations during the January 2014 Chapter meeting at Falcons Landing, each demonstrating their understanding of Revolutionary War topics and how those topics still apply today. As always, thanks to Larry McKinley and Darrin Schmidt for coordinating our annual competition. The 2014 Chapter winner was Miss Hayley Snowden of Trinity Christian School. Hayley was coached by Mr. Cody Phillips, her History teacher at Trinity.



Compatriot Bill Price presents the Joseph Warren Medal and first place certificate to Miss Hayley Snowden at the January chapter meeting.



Compatriot Bill Price presents a Certificate of Commendation to Mr. Cody
Phillips in acknowledgement of his support for the Rumbaugn Orations
Contest.