



# BERNARDO de GALVEZ QUARTERLY NEWS OCTOBER 2016



the past. Thomas Jefferson

## FROM THE PRESIDENT



### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

The year 2016 has come and gone. 2017 will be a great year for the Bernardo de Galvez Chapter #1. I am looking forward to my time as your new president, and thank you all for your support and confidence in me.

In 2017 we should have three main goals.

First, growth of the chapter. We need to set a goal of having 70 members by the end of the year and an average of thirty persons at our monthly meeting. Second, we need to really work on the Bernardo de Galvez Chapter Statue project. We will be

working with the Granederas organization to raise funds and come up with ideas to move this project forward. Thirdly, we as a chapter will be sponsoring the 2017 Texas SAR Board of Managers meeting at the Galveston Hilton on October 13 -15. We will need YOUR help to prepare for this event.

I am excited about the opportunities we have this year. I hope you will get as excited as me and jump in and help our chapter be the best in Texas. If I can be of any help to any of you please contact me.

John M. Hamlin, M.Ed

President



**Larry D. Tidwell**

**I like the dreams of the future better  
than the history of the past.  
Thomas Jefferson**

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## **OFFICERS**

**President – John M. Hamlin**

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice –Ron Whatley**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice – Bill Whatley**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice – Larry D. Tidwell**

**Treasurer – Merlin (Gene) Shaner**

**Secretary – John Loper**

**Registrar – John (Pete) Lenes**

**Chaplain – Gordon Robinson**

**Parliamentarian – Gordon Robinson**

**Historian – James Mitchell**

**Webmaster – Clark Wright**

**Color Guard Commander –**

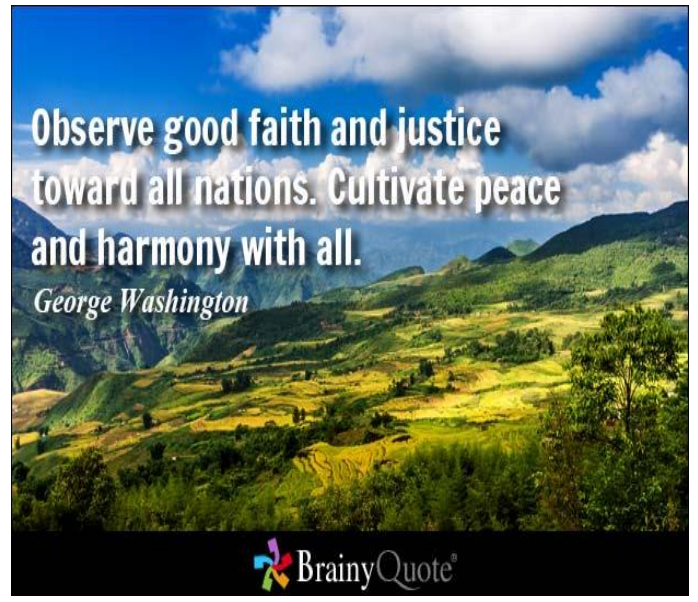


**Chapter President John Hamlin  
presents Past President Larry  
Tidwell with his Past President Pin  
and Certificate**

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pounds of beef to the Colonist cause.



The Bernardo de Galvez Color Guard participates in the 2016 Veterans Day ceremony

## OUR ANCESTORS

By Webmaster  
Clark Wright



Alexander LeGrande:

Alexander LeGrande spent all his life in Virginia in the area bounded by Goochland, Cumberland, Buckingham and Prince Edwards Counties. He was born in Goochland in late 1732. He served in the First Virginia Regiment Regulars in the War between Great Britain and France as a Sargent under Major Andrew Lewis. He was in his fifties during the American Revolution, and contributed 200



Members of the local Children of the American Revolution lay a wreath at the WW I Memorial on Veterans Day

## FROM OUR HISTORIAN JAMES "JIM" MITCHELL

**Dear members, annually the deadline for the submission of Eagle Scholarship applications is Jan 1st. There are approximately a dozen presently submitted by Eagle Scout chapter chmn. A few additional candidate applications will possibly be accepted during the next week or so, providing the chapter Eagle Scout Scholarship Chmn (coach) immediately submits the candidates signed application with the date of the Eagle Board of Review with parent and Scoutmasters signatures,**

Who can apply? The recognition and scholarship is open to every BSA ranked Eagle Scout that can prove they are currently registered in an active BSA unit (troop or Venture Crew) and they have not reached their 19th birthday during the year (2016) of application. (The application year is the calendar YEAR, 1 Jan to 31 Dec.).

"What?" Eagle Scouts Apply Today! Candidates need to complete only one application for chapter competition. If he wins the chapter judging contest it advances to the state competition. If he wins the Texas Society contest he advances to the National Society competition judging held annually at Louisville's Spring Leadership Meeting. 1st step contact your area SAR Eagle Scout chapter chmn. to determine the deadline for submission.

Applicants need to submit:

Completed application form signed by you and your parents/guardian.  
Four generation Ancestry Chart.  
Original patriotic theme of no more than 500 words.

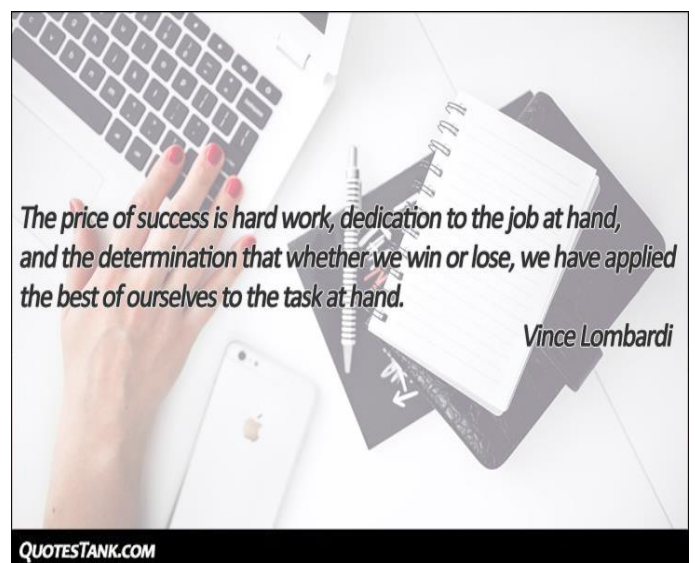
Any Eagle Scout that has not reached his 19th birthday should be

encouraged annually to compete for the SAR's Eagle Scout Scholarship even if that individual has previously been chapter, state and/or the national society winner. Simply submit a new updated application with a new less than 500 word patriotic theme and four generation Ancestry Chart.

There is a handsome SAR Chapter Winner Medal presented to a Eagle Scout usually with an accompanying SAR /BSA Patch for a candidate winner selected by chapters.

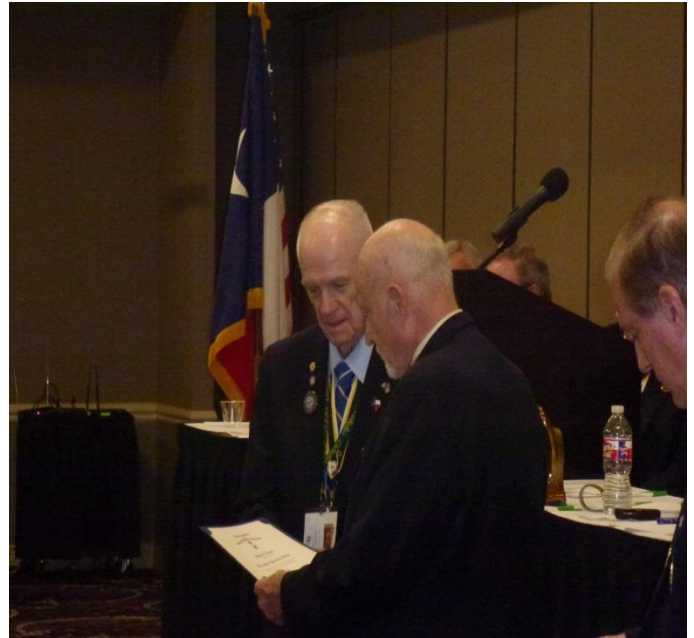
James Edward (Jim) Mitchell  
Bdo. de Galvez Chapter Historian

PATRIOTISM EDUCATION HISTORY





The new 2017 officers after being sworn in by former Texas SAR President Larry Stevens



**Chapter Registrar receives a state award from Texas SAR President Mike Radcliff at the Austin BOM**

# ANNOUNCEMENT

January 21<sup>st</sup> Regular Meeting at Fish Tales – Noon

February 18<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting at Fish Tales noon

February 14 Valentine Day

March 2<sup>nd</sup> Spring Leadership Meeting

February 20<sup>th</sup> Presidents Day

March 18<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting at Fish Tales noon

March 12<sup>th</sup> Daylight Savings Time

March 31 – April 2 122<sup>nd</sup> Annual Texas SAR Convention – El Tropicana Hotel San Antonio, Texas

A slip of the foot you may soon recover, but a slip of the tongue you may never get over.

Benjamin Franklin

## STATUE REPORT

By Bill Adriance

### 2016 REPORT

3/5 Art walk

4/2 Rice Symposium

5/3 met Spanish Delegation about Statue

10/7 Exhibit at Institute of Hispanic Culture annual meeting

11/11 promote statue at wreath laying ceremony, exhibit at Bubba Gump

11/12 promote statue at Granaderos Annual meeting

Statue promotions continue. The dates above are 2016 and they only include events that I exhibited or spoke.

Saturday, January 07, 2017 I presented to the Sam Houston Chapter of NSDAR in Clear Lake, about 60 in attendance.

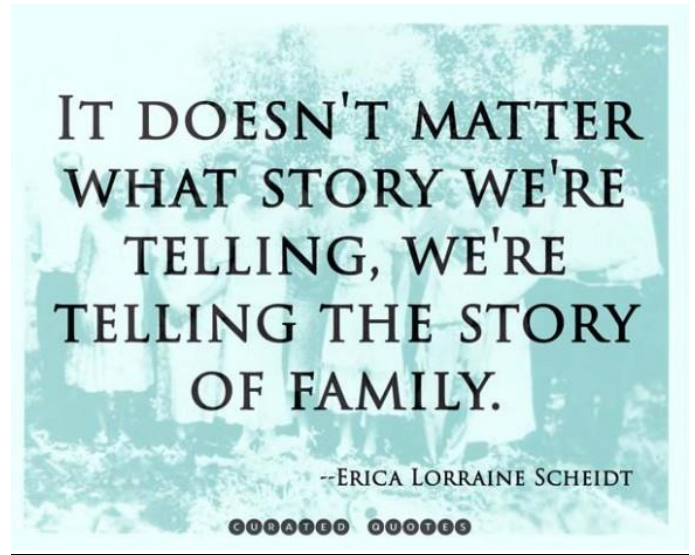
Have a committee of 7 working on verbiage for the corporate collateral brochure. Will meet and draft the copy within the next couple of weeks.

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**America was not built on fear. America was built on courage, on imagination and an unbeatable determination to do the job at hand.**  
**~Harry Truman**

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**GENEOLOGY QUOTE**

If you shake your family tree, watch for the nuts to fall.

**Genealogists never fade away; they just lose their roots.**



**CHAPLAINS CORNER**

“Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned, forgive, and ye shall be forgiven.”  
Luke 6:37



Wreaths Across America flag retrieval by Bernardo de Galvez Color Guard on December 17

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**Past President Larry Tidwell places the President Ribbon around new President John Hamlin at Installation ceremony.**

### REGISTRAR'S REPORT



#### 2016 YEAR END REPORT

##### Applications and Supplementals

1. Supplementals and Applications submitted as of 27 December 2016.

Supplementals submitted – 2

George Loper – 1                      NSSAR Registrar  
(Pended)

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Membership Applications submitted – 1

Michael Travis Lee – NSSAR Registrar

2. Regular applications being worked on  
Bill Mayo – Problems

Approved applications – 2016 – 5

George Keller Cheney, IV

Zachary Adriance

George Blanford

Marshall Parker

David Gindratt

3. Approved Supplements -2016 - 13

Austin Loper -2

Caleb Loper - 2

Henry Loper - 2

Jarrold Loper - 2

Jonah Loper - 2

Thomas Loper – 2

John Loper - 1

#### Medals and Certificates

1. Certificates of Appreciation – SAR – 4

2. Certificates of Appreciation – Non SAR – 17

3. Eagle Scout Recognition Certificates – 23

4. Flag Certificates – 129

5. SAR Members – Medals and Certificates – 25

6. Non SAR Medals and Certificates – 12

7. Memorial Certificates – 1

8. ROTC – Senior Medals and Certificates – 2    Jr. ROTC – 10

Stark Report

783 Toiletries and 349 magazines –  
Membership - 67

**Those who stand for nothing fall for  
anything."**

**Alexander Hamilton**

“Every good citizen makes his country’s honor his own, and cherishes it not only as precious but as sacred. He is willing to risk his life in its defense and its conscious that he gains protection while he gives it.”

~Andrew Jackson

## **OUR REVOLUTIONARY HISTORY**

The American Revolution (1775-83) is also known as the American Revolutionary War and the U.S. War of Independence. The conflict arose from growing tensions between residents of Great Britain’s 13 North American colonies and the colonial government, which represented the British crown. Skirmishes between British troops and colonial militiamen in Lexington and Concord in April 1775 kicked off the armed conflict, and by the following summer, the rebels were waging a full-scale war for their independence. France entered the American Revolution on the side of the colonists in 1778, turning what had essentially been a civil war into an international conflict. After French assistance helped the Continental Army force the British surrender at Yorktown, Virginia, in 1781, the Americans had effectively won their independence, though fighting would not formally end until 1783.

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## **BEN FRANKLINS EPITAPH**

**The body of Benjamin Franklin, printer  
(like the cover of an old book, its**

**contents worn out, and script of its  
lettering and gilding) lies here, food for**

**worms. Yet the work itself shall not lost,  
for it will, as he**

**believed, appear once more In a new and  
more beautiful**

**edition, corrected and amended by its  
Author**