

FAIRFAX COUNTY CEMETERY PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION
2015 – 2016 ANNUAL REPORT
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1. Oct 11: DAR chapters clean gravestones
 - a. Anna Maria Fitzhugh chapter – Clark’s Chapel Cemetery
 - b. Fairfax Chapter – Summers Cemetery
2. DAR Maria Mitchell chapter adopted Clarke/Hunt Cemetery
3. Scout projects
 - a. Pleasant Grove
 - b. St. Paul’s Episcopal Church
 - c. Orrison
 - d. Brown Chapel
4. Disclaimer added to website regarding use of aluminum foil on gravestones
5. Financial audit of FCCPA account by a certified public accountant
6. Working toward FCCPA participation in a Fairfax County Preservation Seminar (Mary Lipsey and Don Williams)
7. Newsletter: September, January, March
 - a. Editor Charlotte Vincent
 - b. Articles written by members
8. Surveys
 - a. Clark’s Chapel
 - b. Covert
 - c. Devers (Deavers), Tyler Family Cemetery
 - d. Fahnline Family
 - e. French Family Cemetery
 - f. Lewinsville Presbyterian Church
 - g. Lindsay/Gorham/Wrenn
 - h. Mt. Pleasant
 - i. Ravensworth Tract 3 cemeteries
 - j. Rector
 - k. Robertson/Robinson
 - l. Stuart/Custis
 - m. Talbert/Lovingston Circle Cemetery (survey and cleanup)
 - n. Thomas Cemetery at Thompson and West Ox Road
 - o. Vale Church
 - p. Woodlawn Baptist
9. Oak Hill Park cleanup including Robinson/Robinson Cemetery
10. Delivery of cemetery advice to County Board Supervisors and Police
11. FCCPA table at History Commission program in November 2015
12. Presentations
 - a. Lucy Goddin – Ivy Hill Cemetery
 - b. Mary Lipsey - Civil War Road Show at RR museum; How to Survey a Cemetery
13. Demonstration of Cleaning Gravestones at Pohick Church for the Docents of the Historic Pohick Episcopal Church
14. Tour of Alexandria Friends Meeting House at Woodlawn and cemetery

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15. Placement of flags at Alexandria National Cemetery
16. Began research on American Revolution Soldiers from Fairfax County who died in the war for plaque to be installed at the Fairfax courthouse
17. Mary Lipsey on behalf of FCCPA
 - a. Responded to 15 – 20 emails
 - i. Identifying historic resources to aid in genealogical research
 - ii. Finding cemeteries and/or loved ones for family members
 - iii. Mediated between a commercial cemetery and a descendant
 - iv. Guidance about cleaning cemeteries, etc.
 - b. 5 Presentations of Civil War Road Show
 - c. Worked with Bill Olson on cemetery legislation
 - d. Met with FCGS president to coordinate efforts

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1. September 2016 newsletter
 - a. Suggestions for articles
 - b. General Comments
2. Complete WWI database
3. Tours and/or presentations for public
 - a. Finding Your Loved Ones presentation
 - b. Cemetery tours
 - c. Virtual tour of Fairfax County historic cemeteries
 - d. Gravestone symbolism