

The Magazine

Williamsburg Chapter Virginia Society
Sons of the American Revolution



By signing the Declaration of Independence,

the fifty-six Americans pledged their lives, fortunes, and sacred honor. Nine died of wounds during the Revolutionary War, Five were captured or imprisoned. Wives and children were jailed, mistreated, or left penniless. I welve signers houses were burned to the ground. No signer defected. Their honor, like their nation remained intact.

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President's Message

Compatriots,

Now that summertime is almost over, we are swinging into our fall activities. We will be having our next luncheon on September 9, 2023. Our speaker will be Richard Sullivan, a gunsmith with Colonial Williamsburg and will talk about his trade in colonial times. This should be a very interesting talk. Also in that day will be the Battle of the Capes commemoration being held by the Norfolk chapter. Don't forget to go to the calendar on member clicks of the VASSAR web site and register for one of these events. Preferably our chapter luncheon will win out.

Vassar will be holding their Semiannual meeting in Winchester, VA on the weekend of Sept 15th the deadline to register is Aug 28th. Information about workshops and registration can be found on the calendar of the VASSAR website.

I would like to ask our Past Chapter President Roger Cross for volunteers. He is trying to fill out the slate for our chapter officers for the next year and is looking for two compatriots to become Registrar and Assistant Registrar. Please contact Roger with your interest in this position. The slate of candidates will be presented in October with elections to be held at the November meeting.

Bruce Laubach - President



Tuesday September 5, 2023

7:00 pm BOM meeting by ZOOM

Saturday September 9, 2023

Chapter Lunch Meeting
11:30 pm Social
Colonial Heritage Country Club
Williamsburg

Saturday September 9, 2023

Battle of the Capes Commemoration 11:00 am Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story

Monday September 11, 2023



Patriot Day

Friday – Saturday September 15-16, 2023



VASSAR Mid-Year meeting Winchester, VA

Sunday September 17, 2023



Constitution Day

Saturday September 23 - FALL

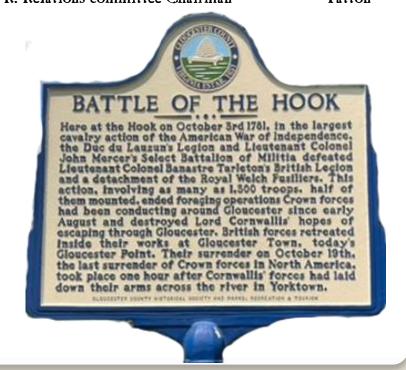
Chapter News





On August 5th, the George Wythe Society attended the Virginia State C.A.R. workshop. It was attended by Senior Society President Denise Thomas, Society President William Mason, Society Chaplain Carter West, and Society Corresponding Secretary Evangeline Mason.

Junior SAR member William Mason was appointed to the position of Virginia State C.A.R./DAR/SAR/S. R. Relations committee Chairman Tatton



We have been asking members to pay for our monthly luncheons through Member Clicks. For the August luncheon, we had 32 reservations, and 18 were done online. Well done! It's a very easy and convenient method to reserve your place. I received a lot of good feedback from people who were brave enough to run the Member Clicks gauntlet. I highly encourage you to use the system, because it will also be our preferred payment method for the fall dues campaign.

https://vssar.memberclicks.net/

Even if you are not yet comfortable paying online, please use the registration form from the Member Clicks calendar to reserve your seat. You can print an invoice and mail it with your check if that's your preference. Luncheon price remains \$24 for this year.

Send checks to: Gary Dunaway, Chapter Treasurer 104 Pageland Drive Yorktown, VA 23693 If you have any issues with logging in, or questions about the procedure, please contact me at sarwilliamsburg@gmail.com

Richard Sullivan will be our September speaker



Gunsmith Colonial Williamsburg.

I began my career at Colonial Williamsburg in 2003. When I came to the Gunsmith shop, I had already been stocking Long rifles for 20 years. In the early 1990's I had started to weld gun barrels and that remains one of my favorite aspects of the trade. I am the 8th person in the shops 6l year history to have made a rifle using only 18th Century type tools, technology and raw materials. In 2018 I became the shops 4th Master Gunsmith. My talk will focus on three important Virginia Rifles made in the Valley between 1750-1780.

A number of compatriots requested Dr. Heuvel's notes

Dr·Heuvel's·Bibliography·for·Sons·of·the·Old·Dominion:·Virginia·Militia·Commanders· at·the·1781·Siege·of·Yorktown

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Virginia SAR Compatriots,

It is with a heavy heart that I share with you all the passing yesterday of our Past State Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Eugene Foster Thomas after undergoing surgery this past June which involved a course of chemotherapy. Chaplain Thomas joined the Virginia SAR with the George Mason Chapter and was brought in by NSSAR PG Joe Dooley (2007-2008) on 18 December 2013. I (we) will especially miss his incredible presence and comforting oration at all our State and Chapter events. He recently enjoyed his visit to Mount Vernon last month on July 4th with his wife Amanda for the annual Walk to the Tomb Commemoration. I am in communications with the family and will provide details on his funeral arrangements as soon as they become available. A posting to our https://www.virginiasar.org website will follow shortly.

Yours in Patriotism, Tim

Yorktown

Tim Dioquino

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Recent Events









Ray Duncombe







On Sunday August 8, 2023 compatriots Bob Davis, Ron Adolphi and Ray Duncombe participated in BSA Troop 103's Eagle Court of Honor. Ron was in scout uniform as he also was representing The Colonial Virginia Council of the Boy Scouts. Ron and Ray are both Eagle Scouts and took great pride in inducting these newest scouts. Bob Davis was busy taking Photographs for the Williamsburg Chapter. The four Scouts that earned Eagle and received the SAR recognition and Eagle Scout scholarship applications are Jonathan D'Allesandro, Luke Waters, Gus Strawn, and Quinn Merkel.

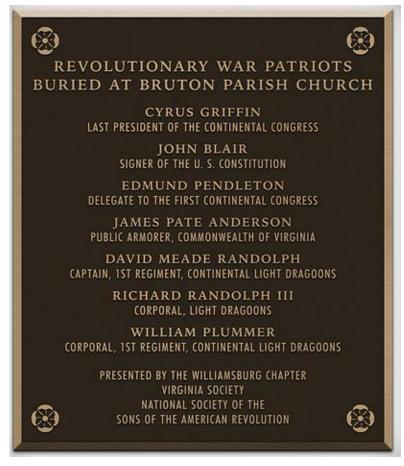
Bruce Laubach
President Williamsburg Chapter VASSAR



Bruton Parish Plaque

Future Events reminder

Cyrus Griffin







Jim Morford has gotten approval from Bruton Parish Heritage Center to display our plaque and SAR Patriot Marker.

The grave marking ceremony is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September 30th.

Jim is checking with the rector to see if we will be able to conduct musket firing.

There are seven Revolutionary War patriots buried in the churchyard. We are coordinating with the church and Heritage Center for the event.

The bronze plaque honoring these patriots, which will be placed in the Heritage Center along with a bronze SAR Patriot Marker.

Our 2024 Dues Campaign will be starting in September. If you saw the emails in July regarding Life Memberships, you are aware NSSAR dues will increase from \$35 to \$50. VASSAR dues remain \$30, and our chapter remains \$20. Regular member dues will total \$100. That can be a tough pill to swallow, but I hope you will continue to support the SAR and the Williamsburg chapter. We have broadened our mandate this year with a joint grave marking in May, and the upcoming September Bruton Parish grave marking ceremony - the first in our chapter's history. We continue to support community programs (ROTC, Brochure Contest, Eagle Scouts, History Day, etc.). We're doing great things, and it's only getting better!

As I have mentioned regarding monthly luncheon meetings, our preferred payment method is online with Member Clicks. You can pay your NSSAR / VASSAR / Chapter dues in one easy transaction.

I understand not everyone is comfortable with online payments, so I want to make you aware of another option. You will receive an email with your Dues invoice attached. Please open the email and print the invoice to return with your check. You don't even need to log in to Member Clicks. This will save us the time and expense of preparing and mailing the dues invoices out to our 190 members.

I encourage you to pay when you receive the invoice email. It's easy to set things aside and forget them.

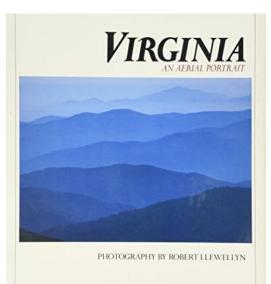
Gary Dunaway
Chapter Treasurer
VASSAR Assistant Secretary





The flyer for the Potluck with a Purpose to support Service dogs for Veterans. Please share with the Veterans groups that might like to have some good soup. Please let them know that they can also take it home with them if they prefer. KJ Corbett

"Book of the month"



The Old Dominion has inspired many books of photography. Yet VIRGINIA: AN AERIAL PORTRAIT is unique, offering a collection of art-quality, aerial images that is striking in its beauty and diversity. The images here are the work of an artist using his powers to record impressions of his native state, a subject whose appeal to him is emotional and profound.

Llewellyn's photographs provide a majestic vision of Virginia, from Chesapeake Bay to the Clinch Mountains, from the Pentagon to Danville, from famous historical landmarks to little-seen glimpses of modern industry. His images include the Eastern Shore, Tangier Island, the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel, and the coves of Kerr Reservoir.

The architecture of historical homes like Mount Vernon, Montpelier, and Monticello takes on new significance when seen in the broad context of their natural settings. And there are sweeping views of many of Virginia's cities - Alexandria, Arlington, Richmond, Norfolk, Lynchburg, and Roanoke.

There is lasting poetry in Llewellyn's photographs of the hazy, receding layers of the Blue Ridge and Allegheny mountains, of the meandering Rappahannock and Rivanna rivers, of ghostly treetops shrouded in the mists of the Great Dismal Swamp. The special character of Virginia farming emerges as we look down on the broad fields of the Shenandoah Valley, on hay bales and vineyards, cattle and turkeys, tobacco and timber. Notes accompany the photographs with historical information on the Commonwealth as well as quotations by famous Virginians including George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Woodrow Wilson, George Mason, and William Byrd II.

VIRGINIA: AN AERIAL PORTRAIT is a book that brings new meaning to the Old Dominion's rich historical heritage and the magnificence of its countryside. In these pages you will discover images that evoke the wonder and awe the adventurers must have felt when they first explored Virginia, colony of the New World.

This is Robert Llewellyn's eighth book. He has completed a trilogy of photography books on the life and philosophy of Thomas Jefferson: UPLAND VIRGINIA, THE ACADEMICAL VILLAGE, and THOMAS JEFFERSON'S MONTECELLO. His portrait of an American city, WASHIINGTON THE CAPITAL, was selected by the State Department as an official diplomatic gift. Llewellyn's Virginia roots are deep. He was born in Roanoke and spent his childhood in South Boston, south central Virginia. He now lives near Charlottesville, where he has spent many years, with his wife and daughter.

Raffle tickets for this book will be available at our next luncheon meeting.

One ticket for \$1 or 7 tickets for \$5 – See Steve Holm – Sergeant-at-Arms

Registrar's Corner



THE SAR EDUCATION CENTER AND MUSEUM

The SAR Education Center and Museum will house exhibits and galleries highlighting the ideals our patriot ancestors and tell the story of the American Revolution on the world stage. The new venue will be at SAR headquarters in Louisville and next to the SAR research library. There are more details and a video on the new museum, and also how you can contribute your support, which can be found by going to www.sar.org then click the Foundation link and scroll down to the museum and chance to watch the worthwhile video.



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Duncan Southerland sharing his Patriot ancestor Adam Kimmel

ADAM KIMMEL (1733-1778) NASSAR P-260189 Duncan Sutherland 5th GG NSSAR 196266

Rightfully so, we often admire and celebrate our Patriot ancestors for their *fighting ability and courage*—and all too often *dying*—in defense of our young nation. But that said, it is also a truism that an army depends on *logistics*. And Adam Kimmel seems to have been *very* adept when it came to logistics!

Adam was born in Gimbsheim, Germany, in 1733. And how he ended up in America is an interesting story in and of itself. In short, the result of his father—having spent the evening in a tavern with Johann Heinrich Lohman drinking and playing cards—were "so violently seized by the hand of God"—that they resolved to lead a better life. So, they began by holding meetings in surrounding fields and, heretically, singing and praying. And, no surprise here, the established religions of Catholicism and the Reformed Church were not amused. The leaders of the new religion were cited, tried, and found guilty by the Palatinate in Heidelberg. They next moved to Herrnhaag and Geinhausen, but things were no better there. So, Adam's father and two uncles, along with the uncles' families, decided to emigrate to America. Sailing from Rotterdam and arriving in Philadelphia in 1751, and then on to Ephrata, Pennsylvania, by the end of September. At which point they were baptized into the Ephrata congregation. And, by 1775, Adam had removed from Cocalico Township, in Lancaster County, to Philadelphia, where he set himself up as a merchant.

It is not clear what, precisely, Adam's "official role" was in the American Revolution. His initial SAR membership is based on his being a Lieutenant in the 5th Pennsylvania Regiment, Commanded by "Mad Anthony" Wayne, and stationed at Ft. Ticonderoga in October and November 1776. However, the Kimmel family genealogist cautions that: "Actually, there is no direct record of Adam being a lieutenant, being at Ticonderoga, contracting an illness there and died at the hospital set up at Ephrata from the illness. And, indeed, there is a record of one Lieutenant Michael Kimmel in the same battalion (emphasis added)".

Nevertheless, what *is* documented is that, in the *Journals of the Continental Congress* (1774-1789), February 1776, p. 169, "To Christian Rohrbeck, for necessaries furnished to several prisoners of the 7th and 26th regiments, the sum of £3 10 6 =9 4/10 dollars), and that the same ought to be paid to Adam Kimmel". And, in the *Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania*, Vol. XI, p. 389: "An order was drawn on David Rittenhouse, Esq'r, Treasurer of the State, in favor of Adam Kimmel, for the sum of Five hundred and Fifty Pounds Six Shillings & Eleven Pence, for Whisky, & Carriage of it to our Fleet." And records support that Adam was *both* a contractor for supplies for the Continental Army *and* a Private in the Philadelphia Militia.

Adam died in Ephrata on 27 January 1778. Perhaps as the result of a typhus epidemic raging at the Ephrata Cloister at the time. However, he was clearly well-off when he died. Particularly, in Ephrata. In his will, he left "chair and harness" valued at a £35. Which would be the equivalent of \$6,791.12 in 2023!

Specifically, that Adam's father was involved in the "creation of a new religion". After a night of drinking and playing cards, Adam's father, Johann Jacob Kimmel, and Johann Heinrich Lohman were so "violently seized by the hand of God", that they decided to repent. So, they organize a new religion. Meeting in the fields and, heretically, involving singing and praying. And here, the power of God revealed itself so wondrously that powers of prophesy were often felt among them. A commission was formed to look into the conduct of the practitioners. And the result was that the founders were cited, fined, and found guilty by the Palatinate in Heidelberg. So, seeing the handwriting on the wall, they first removed to Herrnhaag and then to Geinhausen. But here, and faring no better, decided to emigrate to America.

So, in 1751, Adam, along with his father, two uncles and their families, emigrated from Rotterdam, Holland, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Arriving on the 14th of September, by the end of September they were in Ephrata And shortly arriving in America 1751, his father along with two uncles and their families emigrated from Rotterdam, Holland, were living in to Philadelphia. Apparently for religious reasons as, Adam, along with his father, two uncles, and their families sailed to America. Departing from Rotterdam, Holland, and arriving in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. At the time, Adam was two days past his 18th birthday.

Adam's baptismal sponsor was Johann Adam Muth. He was confirmed in 1747 at age 13. These records are from the Gimbsheim Reformed Church, located in Gimbsheim, Germany. Adam arrived in the Port of Philadelphia, PA, with his parents, two uncles, and 4 other siblings in 1751 from the town of Gimbsheim, Germany. He had just turned 18 two weeks earlier. His family was Seventh-Day Baptist, and it can be assumed that Adam was also of this faith, as he continued to support the efforts of the Ephrata Cloisters during his lifetime. In the publication THE PALATINE IMMIGRANT, Vol. VII, No. 1, Summer of 1981, p. 47, it lists the immigrant Kimmel family and their religion as German Seventh-Day Baptists. Adam is listed as a son of Johann Jacob and Maria Barbara Heinrich, along with his married wife's name of MILLER. His marriage record is found however, later recorded at St. James Episcopal Church, Lancaster, Lancaster county, PA. In 1992 The Journal of the Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley, Vol. XVII, published a detailed history of The Kimmel Family of the Cocalico Valley, written by Clarence Spohn. Adam Kimmel was primarily a farmer living in the region of Cocalico Twp., Lancaster county, which was very near the Ephrata Cloisters. But he was also a merchant, and spent a lot of time in Philadelphia. When the Revolutionary War broke out he became a contractor for supplies for the Continental Congress per the Supreme Executive Council Minutes in Vol. II, Colonial Records of Pennsylvania. He was a Private, 5th class in the 1st Battalion of the City of Philadelphia at the time of his death, per record in Vol. I, 6th Series, Pennsylvania Archives. The Ephrata Cloisters supplied material for the Continental Army and set up a hospital for General Washington's solders. Adam had family ties to the Cloisters, as his dad lived there after the death of Barbara, Adam's mother. Adam probably transported the Cloister's supplies as well as his own possessions as a Philadelphia merchant. It is likely, but not confirmed, that he was buried on Zion Hill, next to the Cloisters, where he died in 1778 from what may have been an outbreak of typhoid fever, nearly wiping out the entire Cloisters' inhabitants. This last bit of information was taken from the following source: THE PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN in the REVOLUTIONARY WAR (1775-1783), by Henry Melchoir Muhlenberg Richards, Published by the Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. Baltimore, Md., 1978, pgs. 358-359. Adam died intestate, and Letters of Administration were granted to his widow Barbara Kimmel and son Michael Kimmel on February 5, 1778. It took (4) years to settle his estate and sell off his property, during which time his widow remarried. Intestacy records and "Letters of Administration" are available at the Lancaster County Courthouse, Lancaster, PA, and his estate inventory papers are on file through the Lancaster County Historical Society, also in Lancaster, PA.

All chapter members have put a significant amount of time in researching their Patriot. Adding Patriot biographies to the PRS is a way to honor your ancestors and possibly help other compatriots in their searches. It is also an easy way to support your chapter and only requires writing a paragraph or two about your Patriot. Whether your Patriot signed the Declaration of Independence, wintered at Valley Forge or simply supported the Revolution by providing supplies, all deserve our recognition. I encourage you to take a few minutes and provide your Patriot's biography

to Gary Dunaway at ormazd72@gmail.com.

Roger Cross

Flags of the American Revolution









I don't know if anyone else is into flags like me, but I thought I would offer these up to a good home. I was at the Battlefield on Friday and they were preparing to dispose of some flags. They are a bit faded or slightly frayed, so not up their standards any longer. They're in pretty good shape overall, for someone who might fly them a couple times a year.

These are duplicates I picked up. Please let me know if you want any of them. They are pretty large - 5' x 5' or thereabouts.

Gary Dunaway

Royal Welsh Fusiliers lst Rhode Island Surrender Field Ansbach-Beyreuth



Photo by Karen Corbett

The Williamsburg Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, presented a NSSAR Flag Recognition Certificate to the Kephi Greek Kitchen on 5 July 2023. The restaurant was recognized for properly displaying and maintaining the flag of our nation. Pictured (L-R) is Demitrios Sarantakos, Kephi Greek Kitchen, and George Corbett, Chairman, Chapter Flag Recognition/Retirement Committee.

THE BATTLE BETWEEN BONHOMME RICHARD AND SERAPIS SEPTEMBER 23, 1779



The American Revolution's most famous naval battle.

"I have yet begun to fight"



John Paul Jones. (Navy History and Heritage Command)



The Continental Marines topmen took a cask of water for hydration plus a double ration of grog for "liquid courage" and climbed aloft to their stations and began firing on and dropping grenades onto the deck of the British ship Serapis. (A favorite British tactic was firing down on their enemy's quarterdeck to kill or disrupt those of the opposing ship.)

Continental Navy midshipman Nathaniel Fanning's eyewitness account
On the night of September 22, 1779, Bonhomme Richard and the British ship
of war Serapis engaged in an epic battle off Flamborough Head on the
Yorkshire coast by the North Sea, just south of Scarborough.
The Continental Navy ship Bonhomme Richard under the command of
Commodore John Paul Jones closed in on the Serapis, Richard adjusted her
sails and displayed her recently adopted striped American flag. The Serapis
opponent hauled down its generic British St. George ensign and hoisted a red
navy flag with the union jack in its canton. The Richard's fighting crew
approximated three hundred eighty men and boys. The Serapis carried a
company of 305 officers and men.

Because of the light wind and the shortage of officers and crew onboard Richard, Serapis easily out-sailed the Yankee warship. The enemy's advantage became obvious and was improved by keeping to Richard's stern allowing for raking fore and aft. The American Marine topmen kept an incessant and well-directed fire into the enemy's tops. Apparently effective, from Jones's perspective it was the only positive aspect of the battle. As the battle reached its third hour, Richard's topmen took control of Serapis's quarterdeck, the upper gun deck and the forecastle. Jones became confident that the enemy would soon strike her colors.

When the enemy's flag had been struck, Jones ordered his first lieutenant Richard Dale to select a number of crewmen to take possession of the prize.

From The Journal of the American Revolution

From the Chaplain

Jim Morford

Constitution Day September 17, 2023







Each month at the conclusion of our chapter meetings, we recite the SAR Recessional. We pledge to, "... Remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent supreme court, and a nation of free men."

We the people must continually remind those whom we elect to represent us that the most serious threats to our Constitution are those who allow it to be ignored rather than followed. Threats to the freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution include Judicial activism practiced by judges who cannot change the Constitution's words but threaten it by changing what those words mean. The Constitution is threatened by the Powers of the President that have grown as lazy congresses surrendered more and more authority to the executive branch thereby weakening the separation of powers and undermining the principles of limited government. Perhaps the most difficult to deal with is the growing Administrative State that threatens the Constitution because all three branches contribute to undermining the separation of powers. James Madison asserted that the "accumulation of all powers, legislative, executive, and judiciary, in the same hands is the very definition of tyranny."

As members of SAR we pledge "our faith in liberty and our Constitutional Republic". In our prayers we ask for God's help in preserving our nation. We place ourselves in God's hands in the knowledge that His presence is always with us. In Hebrews 13:5 God says, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

May we ever seek to protect and preserve the precious liberty our fore bearers gave us in the Constitution of the United States.

When our Constitutional guarantees of liberty and freedom are in peril, we turn to God for help and salvation of our nation.

Pray for our Country

Lord, we pray for our nation and ask that You look down on us with pity and mercy. Forgive us our many flaws. Restore us as a people who seek to follow Your ways of justice and peace.

Eternal Father, Give the leaders of our country the wisdom and integrity to lead our nation in the best direction. Give each of them discernment when making decisions or crafting laws. May the decisions they reach be godly, wise, and in keeping with the principals of freedom for all people.

As the days may seem increasingly dark, we pray that the light of Your love will shine on us. May peace and harmony reign in our nation.

We thank You for placing us in this land and we are grateful that we are citizens of it. Thank You, Lord, for our country – our republic "if we can keep it." AMEN

SAVE 66¢!>

It's easy and fun (a little) to use Member Clicks to sign up for your next month's lunch meeting! Click on the green link shown on page 3 in the orange box then enter your SAR National number and a password. Click on the correct calendar and then register for the lunch meeting.

Dave the Editor

Fits nicely in a 63/4 envelope

Reservation for the Saturday September 9, 2023 Lunch meeting

Name(s)

Please reserve_____regular meals at \$24.00

Special need

Please make checks payable to

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Roger Cross III ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR ALL MEMBERS

The VASSAR is hosting the Atlantic Middle States at the Williamsburg Lodge on August 9-11, 2024. I have been asked by 1st VP Virginia Society SAR Bill Greaf to provide up to two members of our Chapter to assist in planning this event. I am looking for some volunteers to assist in this planning.

This is a great way for you to get more involved in our Chapter and State societies. Please provide me with your name and mailing address and phone number so that I can provide them to 1st VP Greaf.

Thank you Bruce Laubach President Williamsburg Chapter VASSAR.

The Board of Managers (elected officers and 2 At-Large members) provides the leadership for the chapter and is an excellent opportunity for those that want to be actively involved in the direction of the chapter. The Registrar is a key officer in supporting the growth of the chapter through new member applications and the recognition of additional Patriots as Supplementals. If you are interested in learning more about the Registrar position for 2024 or in helping as an Assistant Registrar in support of the Williamsburg Chapter's mission, please give me a call (757) 869-6303 or email rogercross@msn.com.

Past President Roger Cross

