



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. Twelve signers' houses were burned to the ground. No signer defected. Their honor, like their nation remained intact.

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President's Message

We are entering the last month of "summer". Soon our activities will be picking up again.

The Middle Atlantic States meeting is being held this year in Newport News. Although it is the same date as our August meeting, if anyone wants to attend, feel free to do so. As I mentioned at our July meeting, the first Native American chapter will be installed at the meeting. If you do attend, please let me know so I can record your attendance. Roger Cross has sent out the registration information recently.

The mid-year VASSAR meeting is also coming up in mid-September in Charlottesville. All are welcome to attend that meeting.

As mentioned in my last column, we are making progress on building our youth programs which is one of the state President's initiatives. Paul Huchko has graciously agreed to coordinate all the activities in this area. Thanks Paul for stepping up!

Harley Stewart, as chair of the nominating committee, will Be Asking for candidates for several Chapter openings. Please consider accepting. It is a great way to get more involved in the Chapter and bring your ideas forward. Without new ideas and participation, a Chapter can wither and die. We do not want that after forty-nine years of growth.

Have a great August!



William Greaf



Calendar

Mon. Aug 6

**10:00am Board Meeting
Williamsburg Library**

Sat. Aug 11

**11:30am Luncheon Meeting
Colonial Heritage
Country Club**

Fri-Sat August 10 - 11

**Virginia SAR
Hosting AMS Conference
Newport News Marriott
City Center
Information and Registration
at end of newsletter**

Fri. Aug 24

**W&M Merchant's Fair
SAR/DAR Booths
Sadler Ctr. Williamsburg**



Chapter News



**Pres. Greaf presenting our wreath on July 4TH
at Berkley Plantation.**



Berkley Plantation SAR/DAR ceremony



Lunch at Berkley Plantation



PHOTOS BY HARLEY, GEORGE AND DAVE

Chapter members present following the service at Bruton Church on July 4TH 2018.



SAR/DAR
participants at
Berkley
Plantation
4TH of July
ceremony





Flags handed out at 4TH of July Concert



Battle of Greensprings





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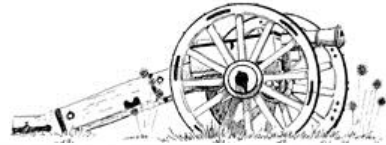


Our Color Guard



2018.07.06

Presenting our Wreath



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A volunteer Guard of CW employees present



2018.07.06



QUANTICO RECAP

Several carloads of SAR members and wives visited the National Museum of the Marine Corps at Quantico, Virginia, in late June. Based on the positive comments from attendees, a similar trip will be announced for a date later in the fall of the year.

The Museum was constructed near the entrance to the Quantico Marine Base over ten years ago using money donated by active duty Marines, retirees, donors and friends of the Corps. Admission is free.

The massive structure, shaped similarly to the outline of the Iwo Jima flag raising Marines' famous photograph and Arlington Cemetery statue, contains the story of the Corps from 1775 to present. Thousands of historic artifacts are on display to include an array of fighter aircraft and helicopters overhead, the original Iwo Jima flag, and life-like scenarios putting the visitor on an amphibious landing craft, or on a freezing cold Korea hilltop.

You can experience a glimpse of the magic of Marine boot camp; listen to the Marine Band, the "President's Own; and look down the barrels of an Ontos.

By departing Williamsburg about 8 a.m. it is possible to tour the Museum and be back about 5 p.m.

Watch the monthly newsletter for the next scheduled trip.

Any questions, contact Ron Losee, Valosee@aol.com





During the Revolutionary War, Nancy Hart, who lived in the then-frontier of Georgia, fought against British Loyalists. It's unclear how many of her reported exploits actually happened in real life, but she was reputed to have killed at least one Loyalist, captured others, and spent years resisting them. She also served as a spy and is thought to have fought at the Battle of Kettle Creek in 1779.

Bruton Church Visit

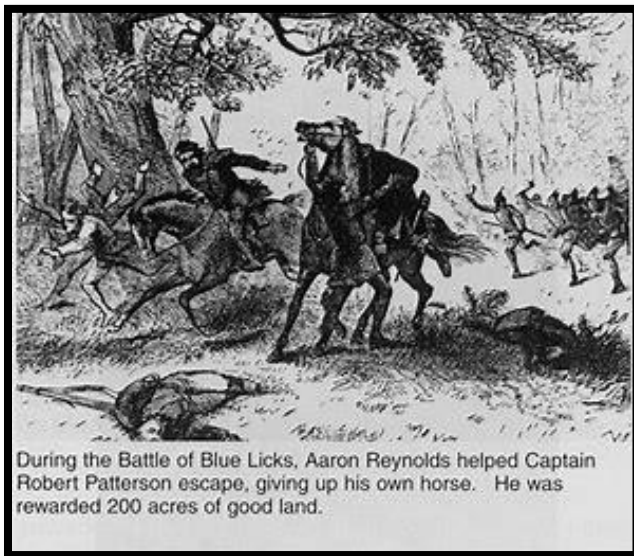
The chapter has been invited to a special tour of the recently opened Bruton Parish Heritage Center and Church. Not only does the Center trace the history of Bruton Parish but it also provides information on notable visitors, parish life in the 1770s and today, as well as the architectural history of the present church building. There are also instructions about accessing some of the church historical records. A tour of the present church building is also included.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please email me at hsaprof@gmail.com
If we have enough interest, I will make arrangements with Bruton Parish for a visit sometime in July or August.

William Greaf – Pres.

Battle of Blue Licks

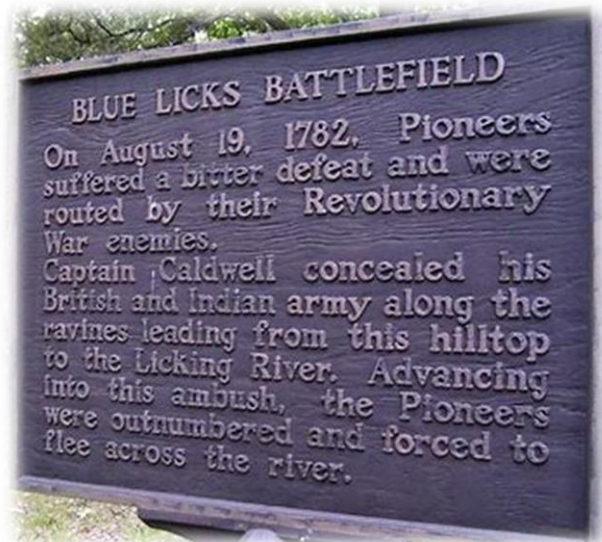
The Battle of Blue Licks, fought on August 19, 1782, was one of the last battles of the American Revolutionary War. The battle occurred ten months after Lord Cornwallis's famous surrender at Yorktown, which had effectively ended the war in the east. On a hill next to the Licking River in what is now Robertson County, Kentucky (then Fayette County, Virginia), a force of about 50 American and Canadian Loyalists along with 300 American Indians ambushed and routed 182 Kentucky militiamen. It was the last victory for the Loyalists and Indians during the frontier war.



182 militia 300 Indians 50 rangers

Relive history at the Battle of Blue Licks Reenactment Weekend on August 18-19, 2018 at Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park in Carlisle, Kentucky. Come see one of Kentucky's only Revolutionary War battlefield sites during this two day event. Reenactors and visitors alike will enjoy battle re-enactments (3:00 p.m. Saturday; 1:30 p.m. Sunday), special programs, activities, and demonstrations throughout the entire weekend. Mouse link ↓

<http://www.crazycrow.com/site/event/battle-of-blue-licks-reenactment-weekend/>



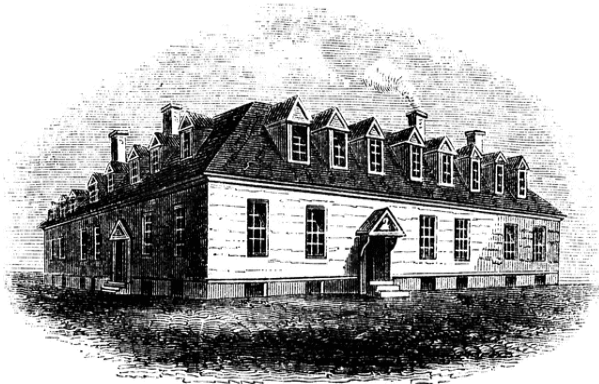
Lieutenant Colonel **Daniel Boone** rallying his men for an attack against the British Loyalist **Indians** and Canadian **Loyalists** in the Battle of Blue Licks

AUGUST GUEST SPEAKER

JOHN FITZHUGH MILLAR

John Millar, born 1945, is a material-culture historian who has lived in Williamsburg since 1980, where he owns and operates historic Newport House on South Henry Street – the only B&B in the area that tries to be museum-perfect to about 1770.

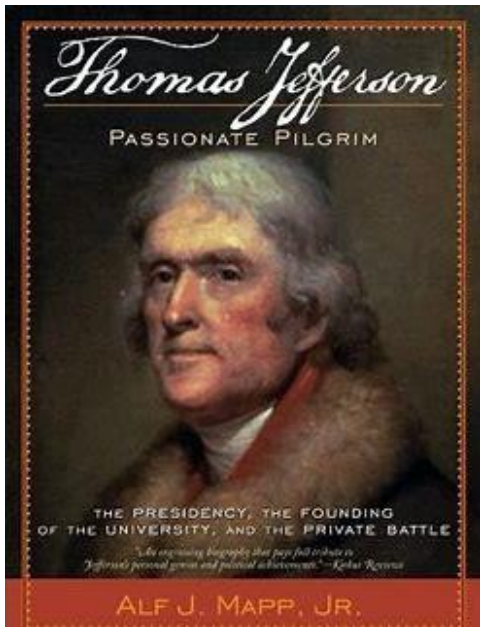
Educated on both sides of the Atlantic, Millar graduated from Harvard in 1966, and received his MA in History from the College of William & Mary in 1981. He has written numerous historical books, including two in 2014-5 on colonial architect Peter Harrison (one mostly text, and the other mostly illustrations)



WHO WAS STEPHEN HOPKINS?

If you could magically talk with George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin, and you ask them: “Tell me who was most responsible for getting the Revolutionary War going?” they would frown and reply, “Are you crazy? Everyone knows it was Stephen Hopkins!” The problem is that everyone DOESN’T know that. When Hopkins died in 1785, all his papers were carefully collected from all over the country and preserved at his house in Providence for scholars to consult, the first time that had ever been done in the history of the world. But, in 1815 the biggest US hurricane ever on record, with peak winds over 200mph swept up the east coast and pushed the waters of Narragansett Bay 21 feet deep in the streets of Providence. When the waters receded, the strongly-built house was still there (it’s now a museum), but the papers were gone. Without papers, historians won’t write books, so the last book on Hopkins was written in the 1880s (I’m trying to write an update to it). Still, every new Rev. War book that comes out, I look in the index to see what it says about Hopkins, and usually there’s next to nothing – bad mistake!

AUGUST BOOK RAFFLE



THOMAS JEFFERSON: PASSIONATE PILGRIM is a biography written by Alf J. Mapp, Jr. This book follows Jefferson from the events his inauguration as president in 1801 to his death on July 4, 1826 at the age of eighty-three. The reader will discover the events of his presidency and the founder of the University. Jefferson was a personal genius and had many achievements that continue to impact our nation and our lives to this day.

Raffle tickets will be available at the luncheon welcome table, one ticket for \$1 or seven tickets for \$5.

The video this month is about the Battle of Blue Licks fought on August 17TH, 1782 in Kentucky. A 40 min. video by State Park Staff describing how the battle was fought. Daniel Boone fought there where he lost his son Israel shot in the chest next to him.

Very interesting if you have time.
Just click the link below the mouse.



<https://youtu.be/L8xZjvwsol>



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Send your reservations to the Williamsburg Chapter
by **Saturday the 4TH**,

Cut along dotted line as it will fit in a No. 8 6 3/4 Security envelope.

Ed

Reservation for the **Saturday Aug 11TH**, 2018 Chapter Luncheon

Please reserve _____ regular meals at \$20.00
option #Vegetarian _____ Vegan _____ Gluten free _____
_____ only attending the 1300 program
Name(s) _____

Please make checks payable to “Williamsburg Chapter SAR”

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Sons of the American Revolution
2018 Atlantic Middle States Conference
August 10-11, 2018

Compatriots and Ladies are cordially invited to the 2018 Atlantic Middle States Conference hosted by the Virginia SAR.

To guarantee the special hotel rate, reservations must be made no later than July 17th. The hotel block is almost full so while it is fresh in your mind, please make your reservation now using the on-line link included with this information. If you encounter problems in reserving a room, please contact Wayne Rouse at wrouse@sar@email.com or (301) 793-2162.

The weekend will begin with registration on Friday afternoon followed by an optional dinner buffet. All are invited to the business meeting and candidate's forum after dinner.

Again this year, a representative from NSSAR Merchandise will be with us all weekend to provide an opportunity to purchase SAR items.

You are on your own for Saturday breakfast followed by the general business meeting which will begin with the officer installation and chartering of the Nansemond Indian Patriots Chapter of the Virginia SAR which will be the first predominately Native American chapter in the SAR. The ladies program will be presented by Virginia SAR National Trustee Mike Elston.

The Saturday afternoon tour will be an opportunity to travel to Historic Jamestowne and learn how our forefathers developed the first permanent settlement in Virginia. This tour will be limited to a maximum of 90 people so send in the attached registration form early to ensure your spot on the bus.

Saturday evening will bring the formal banquet which will allow everyone to greet old and new friends, see some well-deserved awards presented and listen to a great presentation on the "Battle of the Capes" by well-known historian John Quarstein.

Please direct all questions/comments to Wayne Rouse at wrouse@sar@email.com (301)793-2162 to Mike Elston at elston.sar@email.com (703)915-9396.

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**Sons of the American Revolution
2018 Atlantic Middle States Conference
Mid-Atlantic and North Atlantic Districts
August 10-11, 2018**

Newport News Marriott at Center City
740 Town Center Drive
Newport News, VA 23606
Phone: 1-757-873-9299

Name: _____	Wife/Guest: _____
Street: _____	Phone Number: _____
City/State/Zip: _____	E-Mail Address: _____
State Society: _____	State Title: _____
Chapter: _____	Nat'l Title/Position: _____

	<u>Number</u>		<u>Total</u>
Registration (SAR Compatriots Only):	_____	@ \$35 each	\$ _____
Friday Night Buffet:	_____	@ \$45 each	\$ _____
Saturday Jamestowne Tour (Transportation, Box Lunch and Admission Fee):	_____	@ \$60 each	\$ _____
→ Sirloin Steak	_____		
→ Atlantic Salmon	_____	@ \$55.00 each	\$ _____
→ Vegetable Lasagna	_____		
		Total Amount Remitted:	\$ _____

Make checks payable to "VASSAR"

Mail this form and your check to:
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16094 Olmstead Lane
Woodbridge, Virginia 22191-4520

Cutoff Date for Hotel Reservations is Tuesday, July 17, 2018
Cutoff Date for Registration is Friday, August 3, 2018

For questions please contact:

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