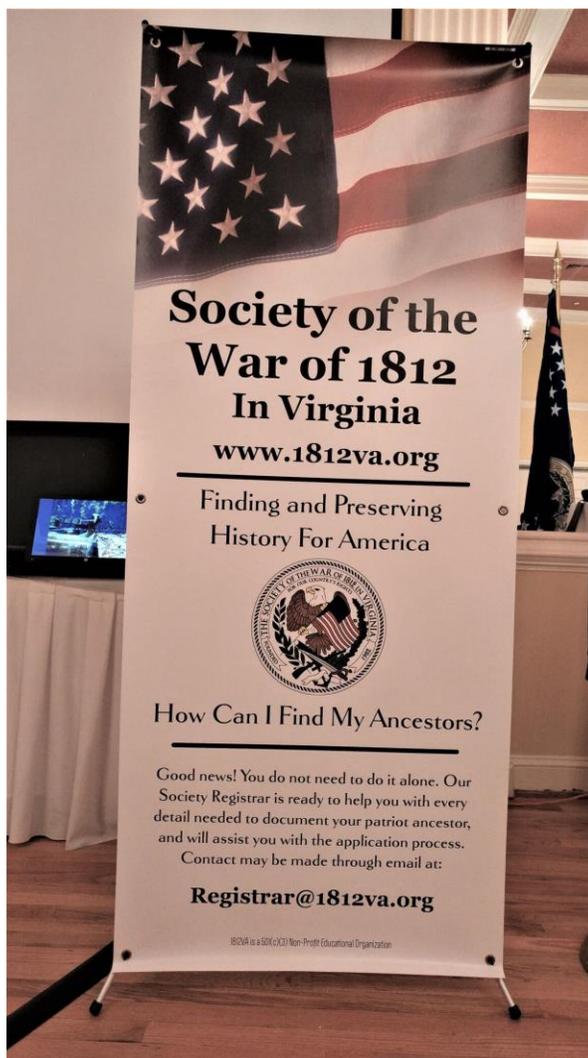


Society Holds Annual Meeting, Luncheon and Grave Marking, June 3 2017

The society held its annual membership meeting called a muster, followed by a luncheon at the Westwood club in Richmond and conducted a grave marker unveiling ceremony for two War Of 1812 veterans at Richmond's Hollywood cemetery. The programs, officer and committee reports, minutes and photographs taken follow





SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812 IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
ANNUAL MEETING – MUSTER
10:00 A.M., Saturday, June 3, 2017
Westwood Club – Richmond, VA
BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

- 10:00 Call meeting to order
- Invocation
- Color Guard presents colors
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Officer Reports
 - President's report
 - Treasurer's report
 - Registrar's report
 - Historian
 - Legal Counsel
 - Quartermaster's report
 - Other
- Committee Reports
 - Graves Marking & Registration
 - Color Guard
 - Budget & Finance
 - Newsletter
 - Promotion
 - Other
- Old Business
 - Dennis Fritts report
- New Business
- Discussion
- Benediction
- Color Guard retires colors
- Dismissal



SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812 IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
President's Report
Chuck Poland, President
3 June 2017 Annual Muster

Since the last annual muster on 18 June 2016, I attended:

- 1812 Board meeting, 16 September 2016, Williamsburg, VA and the VASSAR semi-annual meeting which followed
- 1812 Board meeting, 10 February 2017, Richmond, VA and the VASSAR annual meeting which followed
- President James Madison Birthday Commemoration, 16 March 2017, Montpelier, VA
- National US Daughters of 1812 Dinner, 8 April 2017, Washington, D.C.
- President James Monroe Birthday Commemoration, 28 April 2017, Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, VA
- Virginia Society of the War of 1812 Cocktail Party, 28 April 2017, Richmond, VA
- President James Monroe Birthplace Ceremony, 29 April 2017, Colonial Beach, VA

I have registered to attend the General Society Triennial event in Plattsburgh, NY on 7-9 September 2017.

The cocktail party on 28 April 2017 was a strictly social event, generously sponsored by Past President Jack Maxwell. It was an experiment in increasing the number of events we hold during the year, and an attempt to draw in potential new members. Attendance was, unfortunately, lower than we had hoped, with very few potential new members. We are considering holding a similar event in the Fall, possibly in another part of the state.

As a Presidential initiative, this year we substantially increased our participation in the ROTC award certificate and medal program. Despite some scheduling difficulties, this was quite successful, with many more awards being given than in prior years, most with attendance from Society members. I expect to continue this emphasis in 2018.

We received a \$1,000 grant, the maximum possible, from the General Society for the Point of Rocks memorial project. This is the first such grant we have received in many years.

I was pleased to see coverage of the Virginia Society in the General Society magazine, after a long hiatus.

Respectfully submitted,
Chuck Poland



SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812 IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Registrar's Report

Hugh Markham, Registrar

June 3, 2017

During the past year we have added six new members as follows:

John Spears Holt

George William Singleton

Paul Burton Snyder

William Barton Smith

Richard Spencer Burke

Jeffry Christian Burden



Respectfully submitted,

Hugh A. Markham



SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812 IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Color Guard Report

Charles Belfield, Chairman

June 3, 2017

On March 4 color Guard members Charles Belfield and George Beckett took part in the Bicentennial Commemoration of the Inauguration of President James Monroe. We posted the colors and performed along with the United States Marine Corp history division.

April 7th Hugh Markham and I as the 1812 Color Guard along with the Color Guard of the James Monroe Chapter of SAR presented the colors for the opening ceremony of the Richmond County Little League.

April 8th Mike Lyman and I as the 1812 color guard along with the color guard of the James Monroe Chapter of SAR presented the colors at the Northumberland County little league opening ceremony. In the two little league events we were performing in front of well over 1000 children and adults.

April 29th Mike Lyman represented the 1812 color guard with the James Monroe Color Guard at the Birthday celebration of James Monroe at his birth place in Colonial Beach Westmoreland County.

May 2nd the color guard members Mike Lyman, Hugh Markham and I presented the colors at the Marker unveiling ceremony honoring Private Thomas Bennett Dashiell at Yeocomico Episcopal Church Kinsale, VA. Hugh and I performed a musket salute.



SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812 IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Newsletter/Promotion Committee Report

Ken Williamson, Chairman

June 3, 2017

Activities for the year included:

- 1) Three Newsletters were produced and delivered to the membership and to over 180 "Friends of the Society," for a total of about 330 recipients. The Summer 2016 Newsletter highlighted the newly elected Society President Charles (Chuck) Poland and the June 2016 Annual Muster events. The Fall 2016 Newsletter highlighted "What is a Volunteer," and how important it is for members, especially new members, to become involved in Society events. The September 16 Membership meeting notes were presented along with a 2017 Dues Notice. A full page article was presented that identified the Fisher House Foundation and the agreement that the Society had come to in supporting this charity. An article was included that identified Society Committees and Special Committees and requested additional member participation. The Spring 2017 Newsletter highlighted an article written by member William C. Collier. His article, "Background on the 7th Infantry Regiment's Distinctive Unit Insignia Cotton Bale," was a very informative review of how the US Army's Quartermaster Department approved this Unit Insignia based on the 1814 Battle of Horse Shoe Bend, Alabama during the War of 1812. It included a list of Officers, Councilors, and Past Presidents along with the Meeting Notes from the February 10 Membership meeting. In general, after distribution of our Newsletter, many responses come in from around the country from those who appreciate receiving and reading through what our Virginia Society is involved with. It's a tribute to the hard and dedicated work of our membership.
- 2) Implementation and use of the Society Banner, Yard Signs, and Business Cards has been noted. Some members have ordered business cards and begun to use and distribute them as they have the opportunity to promote the Society. The cost for cards is less than \$10 for 500 and may be printed with the members' name. The Banner is turning up in many pictures from Society events. Also, the Banner is being used at many special presentations and is used for all Society meetings.
- 3) Colorization of the Society Logo was undertaken and a high-resolution 300 dpi file is available for production jobs. This was done at no cost to the Society. It should be noted that this is a promotional version is not intended as a replacement for the official and authorized *Seal of the Society* as identified in Vol 5 of the Bylaws.
- 4) Some promotional items were created and will be presented at the June 2017 Annual Muster for review. Those items include baseball cap, tee shirt, carry bag, and Society Banner.
- 5) At the February 10 Membership meeting it was approved to design and order 200 lapel pins that can be used for various purposes. The lapel pins are scheduled to be presented at the June 2017 Annual Muster.
- 6) At the February 10 Membership meeting it was approved to provide a name tag to all members who do not have one. The 2x3 pocket style name tag was redesigned to a 1.5x3 name tag with a pin clasp style. The name tags will be mailed to members.



Muster Report
Dennis Fritts
3 June 2017

1. At the February 2017 BOD meeting I was asked to look at the Society Constitution and By-Laws concerning Annual meeting date (Article V); Registration Fee, Annual Dues and other fees (Article IX); and Amendment of these dates (Article VIII).

Article V states – “Meetings of the Society shall be held in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Annual Meeting shall be held in the month of June, commemorating the chartering of the Society, 25 June 1982, at Fredericksburg, Virginia”.

Article IX states – “Annual Dues are payable at the beginning of each calendar year and the amount shall be the per capita levy of the General Society of the War of 1812 plus the amount fixed by the Board of Direction”.

Article VIII states – “The Constitution, except Article IX – By-Laws, may be amended by offering a written resolution to that effect at a scheduled meeting of the Society, be recommended by affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the members present be included in the notice of the next meeting of the Society and receive approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at such second meeting. Article IX – By-Laws may be amended by offering a written resolution to that effect to the Board of Direction prior to its scheduled meeting and receive approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Direction present at the meeting where the resolution is presented.

The issues are the poor attendance at the annual Muster and timely submission of annual dues. These concerns have been addressed numerous times.

My suggestion is to question the membership concerning what month, if any is better than June and then vote on a change. From previous experience, I don't think any month would get a majority vote.

The dues issue deals with changing from a calendar year to a fiscal year. This would require submitting changes to the IRS. My suggestion is to have the Treasurer determine if the change is in the best interest of the Society.

2. I contacted the administrator of the veteran's cemetery in Dublin, Va. about presenting a Society wreath on Veterans Day and any future dates. My request was approved for Veterans Day and future dates will be determined based on the type of ceremony they will conduct.

Dennis Fritts



SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812 IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
New Business/Discussion Items
Presented by Ken Williamson

Discussion items for the Annual Muster include:

- 1) Member participation – Due to the limited participation of the membership it may be beneficial to construct a questionnaire to send to Society membership that requests information to include some or all of the following:
 - a. What available time do members have to volunteer with their Society? What are the interests of membership and what would they volunteer for, if the Society had an event that was of interest to them? The key is that events must be properly identified and disclosed to members in a timely manner and with easy access to sign-up and participate.
 - b. Would it be helpful to have smaller, local meeting around the State of Virginia where regional activities in their part of the State would be discussed and plans made for participation?
 - c. Requesting participation with a membership committee that will attend local events with the intent of introducing the Society to the community and handing out information for membership.
 - d. What does membership understand to be the on-going operations functions of the Society, the Committees, and Special Committees?
 - e. When was the last time you visited our Society website? Do you think the current website should be re-vamped to a more modern looking and user friendly version? If available, would you be willing to pay your dues through the Society website?
 - f. Have you ever helped anyone in looking for their ancestors? If so, did you do so with the intent of also helping them make application to this Society for membership? Have you ever asked for assistance from our Society Registrar?
 - g. What does membership view as important work/events for their Society to be involved with? From this question it would be requested that members make suggestions about how the Society can play an active role in Virginia and become recognized as a leader in community activities.
 - h. What is the perception by membership of the activities that are undertaken on a regular basis throughout the year?
 - i. Would it help to identify Society meetings one year in advance help to have additional meeting participation?
 - j. Any other questions that may help the Society Officers to better understand the membership and how to better inform the membership of Society events and solicit help and participation.
- 2) New Member Package – When new members come for their induction ceremony they should be presented a package with the following items:

- a. Information about the Society – this will include a full up to date Handbook and additional information that provides detailed information to the new member about their Society.
 - b. List of Committees and the name and contact information for the chairperson. Also to be included would be a note from each chairperson about what their committee is currently involved with and how the new member can actively participate. We could create a promotional sheet that is specific to each committee and have that duplicated and signed by the chairperson
 - c. Copy of the most current Society Newsletter
 - d. Name tag
 - e. Lapel pin
 - f. Welcoming letter from the President
 - g. Coffee mug with colorized logo – this would require a purchase of the mugs with some in inventory.
- 3) Make an effort to provide early publication of the upcoming Society events for the next fiscal year. With this, a request for special donations towards those and other special events could allow for increased Society participation with State and local events by having membership sponsor some events.
 - 4) Request membership to look for civic and historical events that might be useful in promoting the work of the Society throughout the State and local communities. A convenient place for membership to tell the Society Officers about these events will be critical to participation. A place on the Society website would be ideal. There are many local events that are attended by other Fraternal, Historical, and Lineage groups, and our Society needs to know about those events. Our members know about these events and can be the best source to the Society officers.
 - 5) The society website can be a better resource to our membership and the public and making some changes will be required. Vol 8 of the Society Handbook says it should be, "Maintain[ed] as "state of the art." An expanded use of the Society website can become a low cost investment where members can, 1) review information about upcoming events in their community, 2) sign-up to participate in planned events, 3) post information about local events where Society participation would enhance the introduction of the Society to our communities 4) learn about special projects and/or needs that the Society will be participating, 5) pay their annual dues and/or make additional contributions for special needs, 6) communicate with the Society leadership about any topic, and, 7) provide the best introduction possible to anyone who is seeking information about our Society. To begin the process, the appointment of an exploratory group and a request to Society members to find someone with a strong website building background to work with the exploratory group is a starting point.
 - 6) Request our members to provide candidates for personal or corporate financial support. This would include financial support in the procurement of promotional products that can be distributed for free at any event where the Society participates – events where information can be distributed to make the public aware of the work of the society and/or events where members participate in informative speaking events. Perhaps this would include placement of advertising for the donor in the Society Newsletter – this would need additional discussion and consideration. These promotional items would include another production of the Society brochure, low-cost handouts for people of all ages; pencils, magnets, stickers, coffee mugs, tee shirts, caps, and other items that may be taken home as reminders that the Society is available to help them discover their ancestors.
 - 7) In keeping with Vol 8 – Section B Awards, contained in the Society Handbook, make a renewed request of our membership to provide candidates who would be eligible to receive Special Awards and/or Certificates of Appreciation from the Society for some type of work or

participation in their communities. This can be an excellent on-going way of becoming known for recognizing people in the communities in which our members live and work.

- 8) Make a concerted effort to announce Society events to the general public through news and print media. Request a member to set forward and lead this.
- 9) Update the Society Handbook – Especially, Volumes 3, 4, 6 (remove reference to Deputy Councilors from Article IX – subject is properly recorded in Vol 7), 8 (remove reference to bi-Centennial) 9 (review and update, or remove, reference to Fundraising, item #1), and 10 (update). Also, it would be helpful to mark all pages (preferably on the bottom edge) in the Handbook with a “last updated” date so any printed page will be able to be traced back to an approved copy of the Society Handbook that was updated on a specific record date.



SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812 IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Quartermaster's Report

Jim Thacker, Quartermaster

June 3, 2017

During the period the Society sold one tie and a society medal through our on-line web site.

Additional merchandise will be on display and available for sale at the muster.

<https://squareup.com/market/society-of-the-war-of-1812-in-virginia>

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Thacker

Reports for Annual Meeting August 3, 2013- Mike Lyman

Society Website: Fourteen postings have been made to the site since the BOD meeting in February 2017 View at <http://1812va.org> Members should view frequently for up-to-date activities and announcements

Grave Marking Chairman's Report: (Includes use of Color Guard)

Society Activities since BOD Meeting in February: Feb 25th-Members participated by wreath laying, providing color guard, and interaction within program at Leedstown Resolutions Ceremony at Stratford Hall; Mar 16th-Wreath laying, Madison's BD celebration at Montpelier; Mar 29th-Wreath laying at Pres Tyler's BD celebration at Hollywood Cem, Richmond; April 8th-Color Guard and Musket Salute at Little League Opening Ceremony, Northumberland Co; April 28th wreath laying at James Monroe Ceremony Hollywood Cem; April 29th- Wreath laying, color guard, addressing attendees, presenting gift to museum at James Monroe Birth Place Ceremony, Westmoreland Co; May 2d- Conducted grave marking ceremony for 1812 veteran, including color guard and musket salute Yeocomico Church, Westmoreland Co. Cost to Society \$75 for grave marker (already paid)

Pending Events this Summer: June 3rd- Conducting grave marking ceremony for two 1812 veterans, 2:30 pm Hollywood Cem, Cost to Society \$100 for two grave markers old style (already paid); July 29th- Participating in plaque unveiling ceremony with VASSAR at Pohick Episcopal Church, Fairfax County, Society furnishes one-third cost of plaque our portion being \$800. (Payment due late June (FY2017) with check to CP Dean & Co. (Approval of money given at Feb BOD meeting), Nine 1812 veterans listed on pole mounted plaque, Society to give greetings, participate in unveiling, provide color guard, wreath laying, musket firing party At undetermined dates after July 1st: (1) Daniel Norton monument unveiling ceremony at Shockoe Hill Cem-Our name is on monument as contributor as he was War of 1812 veteran, our cost already paid was over \$600 (2) "Burnt Chimneys" Richmond County- Society will conduct ceremony at which will provide small plaque at cost probably around \$300. (Background- Capt Henderson artillery crew killed/wounded several British while landing forces at Mundy Creek off Potomac River. Enemy forces followed him to this house in Richmond County, rented by Henderson and burned it. Remaining after fire were the two chimneys at each end of building. Current owner built a new house in between these chimneys. and requests recognition by our society) (3) General Hungerford Historical Road Sign Unveiling, Leedstown, Westmoreland County- Society will participate by providing information about 1812 Veteran (2d VP Stuart Butler), wreath laying and musket salute in conjunction with No Neck of VA Hist Society and VA Dept Historical Resources

Purchase and Restoration of 1920's General Society Flag: Status-restoration complete and being used in color guard and at meetings

Addendum to War of 1812 Society Burial Book: Status- Ninety more newly identified write-ups on War of 1812 veteran burial sites have been added by me since the Feb 2017 meeting. Also, several up-dated entries have been made. The book published by our Society in 2012 contained 4442 burials. The new amount is now 5223, an increase of 781 with over 200 revisions. As editor/compiler I intend to add more using Ancestry.com through Fold3.com's digitalizing of 1812 pensions files until I get to the end of the digitalizing beyond surnames starting with "M". When it will be difficult to find more files to support new burial sources, I intend to stop (hopefully this summer) and work on getting the addendum ready for publication by Heritage Books that has the copyright. I plan to add as illustrations all the new plaques

our society has placed in cemeteries since Jun 2012. Billy Simmons of the Committee will up-date all the appendices after I stop further research.

Purchase of new addendum and more burial Books for sale to members and for libraries: We have only two books left for sale (thanks to Quartermaster James Thacker's purchase). The new addendum will not be very useful without the book. To get a 50% discount of the book or addendum it will be necessary to purchase at least 50 copies of each from the publisher. These would be an inventory for sale at a profit to members and others. When the book was purchased we gave free copies to about 12 libraries, thus now they now will need the addendum. Several other libraries were furnished copies as well by our members. I suggest the Society purchase 50 copies of the book at \$22.50 each plus shipping equaling \$1125 plus \$15 shipping or \$1140. Also the purchase of 75 copies of the addendum. The retail cost of the addendum by the publisher is estimated at \$25, thus we could purchase 75 copies at \$12.50 each equaling about \$940. The Society could wait until the September BOD meeting to approve these purchases

Mike Lyman



SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812 IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Luncheon Agenda – Annual Muster

June 3, 2017

Westwood Club
6200 West Club Lane
Richmond, Virginia 23226

11:30 RECEPTION (Cash Bar)

12 Noon Call to Order

Chuck Poland, Society President

Invocation

M. David Howard, Chaplain

Posting of Colors

Virginia Color Guard, Charles Belfield

Pledge of Allegiance

Hugh Markham, Registrar

Opening Remarks

Chuck Poland

Introduction of Guests

President Chuck Poland

Greetings

Chris Cristou, General Society Registrar

Serving of Lunch

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Past President Lt. Col. Mike Lyman

Guest Speaker

Lois Williams "Captured Carter Plantation Slaves"

Toast

Past President Dennis Fritts

Introduction of New Members

Registrar Hugh Markham

Induction of New Members

Past President LTC Myron (Mike) Lyman

New Member Package

Ken Williamson

Monroe Birthplace Reconstruction

Charles Belfield

Announcements and Adjournment

President Poland

Benediction

Chaplain M. David Howard

Retirement of Colors

Virginia Color Guard Charles Belfield

NOTE: At conclusion, please proceed to Hollywood Cemetery for two individual grave marking

The Society of the War of 1812 in the Commonwealth of Virginia

Annual Membership Meeting Muster

12:00 AM, Saturday June 3, 12017

Westwood Club Richmond, Virginia

President Chuck Poland called the meeting to order promptly at 10:00am.

The Chaplain gave the invocation.

President Poland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

27 defenders attended the meeting.

Officer Reports:

The President's report said the Madison and Monroe events are worthwhile attending. He attended the US Daughters

150th convention. Discussion was on the possibility of having regional parties. Future parties may be hosted by the Society. ROTC program will continue.

The Treasurer reported membership at 143 members and total assets of \$33,208.53. Current budget is reporting a surplus.

He encouraged members to use Amazon.smile program to raise funds. Fisher House payment will be made. There was discussion on the best way to invest our TD Ameritrade account of around \$14,000 and Ken and Shane will look into other investments.

Registrar reported on recruitment of six new members in the past year.

Quartermaster reported sales of merchandise and encouraged of use of website for purchases.

Mike Lyman's reported detailed all the different wreath laying and grave marking since the last BOD meeting. Upcoming events include the Dan Norton monument unveiling in Shockoe Hill Cemetery. The Gen. Hungerford sign unveiling will be this summer. "Burnt Chimneys" monument will be unveiled soon in Richmond County. Pohick Church ceremony with the SAR will probably be on July 29th. There will be a ceremony July 1st in Spotsylvania County for 3 1812 veterans burial marking. Addendum to the Burial Book is still being worked on. We will be purchasing (if approved) 50 copies for sale of the original Burial Book for future sales is proposed along with 75 copies of the Addendum.

Color Guard reports that they have been involved in many activities. They did a joint program with the SAR for the Little League and also do school presentations.

The three year budget projections was presented. It reports a deficit in 2018 with surpluses in 2019-2020. It projects good increase in membership and book sales. There will be a large increase in book purchases cost in 2018. Membership is projected to increase to 171 ending in FY 2019. The budget was voted on and approved.

**GRAVE MARKER UNVEILING CEREMONY
HOLLYWOOD CEMETERY**

412 South Cherry Street, Richmond, Virginia

June 03 2017 at 2:30pm



Honoring

**Private William C Allen and Sergeant
Richard R Maury**

Conducted by

**The Society of the War of 1812
in the Commonwealth of Virginia**

PROGRAM

2:30pm Call to Order:*Charles B Poland, President, War of 1812 Society in VA*

Invocation:TBA

Forwarding & Presentation of Colors:*Virginia Society War of 1812 Color Guard*

Pledge of Allegiance by all: (see page 4)

Color Guard Post Colors: *VA Society Color Guard*

Introduction of Attendees and Color Guard: *President Poland*

Opening Remarks: *President Poland*

Greetings & Remarks Representative General Society War of 1812: TBA

Greetings & Remarks by Representatives of Other Societies and Organizations

Information About Veterans Being Honored TBA

Unveiling of Plaque Ritual:TBA

Plaque Unveiling:TBA

Wreath Presentations By Representatives of Societies PresentTBA

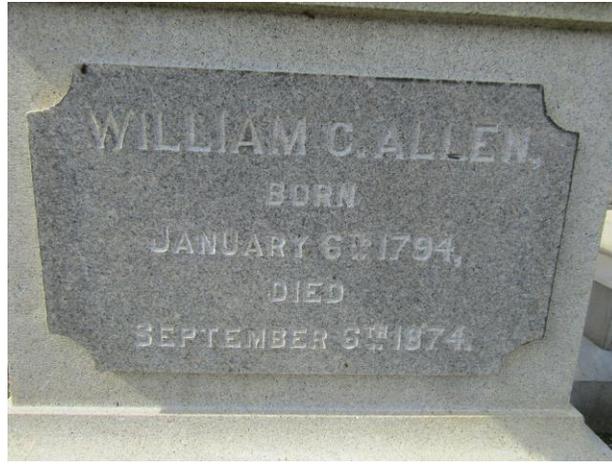
Presentation of Colors (please stand): *VA Society Color Guard*

Musket Salute and TAPS:TBA

Benediction: TBA

Closing Remarks & Adjournment..... President Poland

Group Photos



Private William C. Allen: He was born in January 1797, probably Chesterfield County and died September 6 1874 in Richmond. He served in Captain Alexander Gibb's Company of the Chesterfield County's 23rd Regiment of Militia for several days in March, June and July 1813 and again in August to November 1814 in the 2d Regiment commanded by Lt Col Ambler in the vicinity of Richmond. He married Allaville Slaughter, born 14 Feb 1815, King and Queen County, who died 27 February 1785. They had three children.



Sergeant Richard R Maury: He was born in Tennessee 19 May 1766, son of James Maury and his wife Mary Walker and died January 30, 1843. He served as a Sergeant for 23 days, July 22 to 17 August 1814 in Captain Anthony R Thornton's Company of the 16th Regiment in Spotsylvania County. He married his wife with a first initial "D", born also in Tennessee about 1768 and died 19 May 1843 a few months after

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The Star Spangled Banner Flag

It contains 15 stars and 15 stripes and was the U.S. flag at the time and perhaps was displayed at Fort Norfolk and various Federal camps on the James River protecting Richmond. A rendition of this flag is carried by the color guard at this event.



For more Information

For viewing photographs taken at this event and for information on other ceremonies conducted or to be conducted by the War of 1812 Society in Virginia, or for information on how you may become a member, please visit our website at www.1812va.org

Our Objectives

The objectives of the Virginia Society are the collection and preservation of rolls, records, books, and other documents relating to the War of 1812; the encouragement of research and the preservation of historical data, including memorials to patriots of that era in our national history; the caring for the graves of veterans of the War of 1812; the cherishing, maintenance and extension of the institutions of American freedom; the fostering of true patriotism and love of country.

Membership

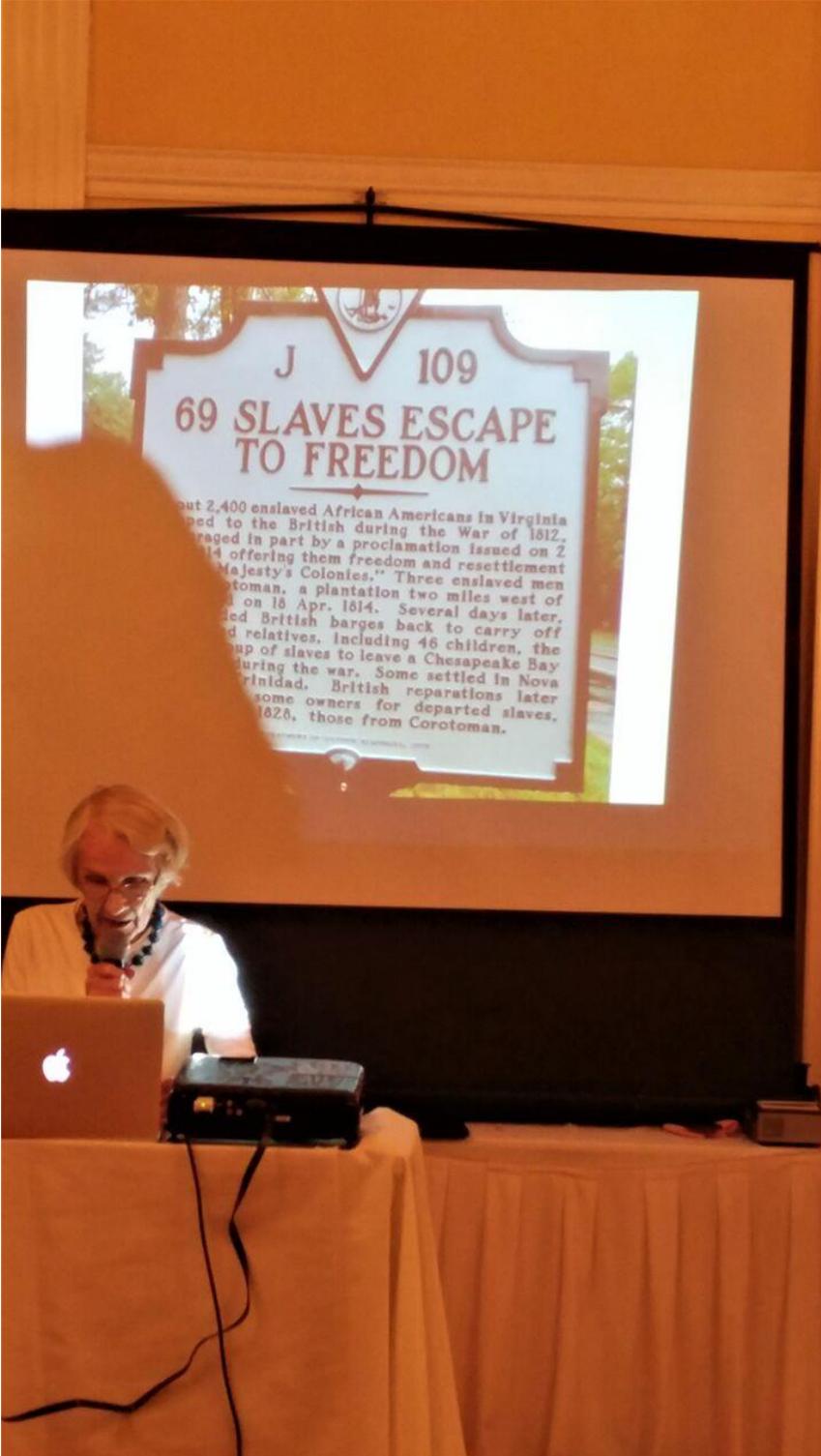
Any male person above the age of twenty-one years, who participated in, or who is a lineal descendant of one who served during the War of 1812, in the army, navy, revenue-marine, or privateer service of the United States, offering proof thereof satisfactory to the State Society to which he may make application for membership, and who is of good moral character and reputation, may become a member of this Society.











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**69 SLAVES ESCAPE
TO FREEDOM**

About 2,400 enslaved African Americans in Virginia fled to the British during the War of 1812. They were offered freedom and resettlement in part by a proclamation issued on 2 April 1814 offering them freedom and resettlement in His Majesty's Colonies." Three enslaved men fled from Corotoman, a plantation two miles west of Corotoman on 18 Apr. 1814. Several days later, British barges back to carry off the men and their relatives, including 46 children, the rest of the group of slaves to leave a Chesapeake Bay during the war. Some settled in Nova Scotia and Trinidad. British reparations later were paid to some owners for departed slaves. In 1826, those from Corotoman.













