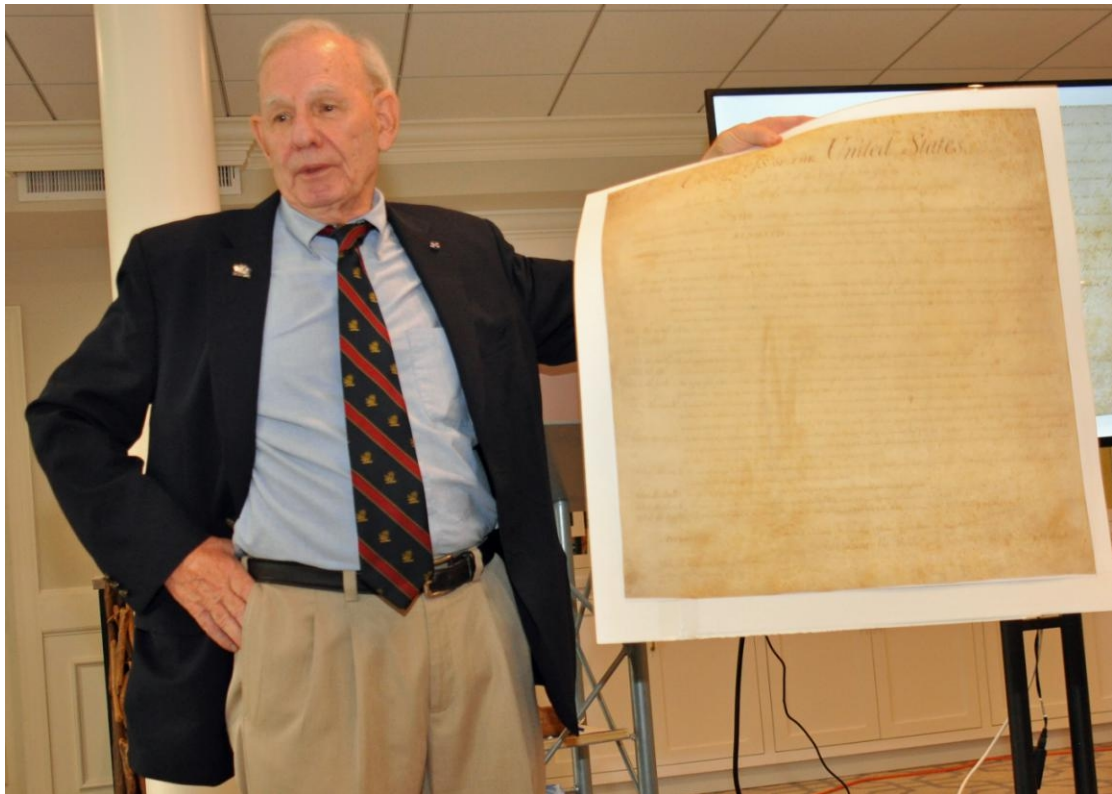


**SOCIETY ATTENDS DAUGHTERS OF THE WAR OF 1812 CHAPTER 493
MEETING AT INDIAN CREEK YACHT & COUNTRY CLUB**

Four members of the Society of the War of 1812 in the Commonwealth of Virginia attended the meeting of the Daughters of the War of 1812 Chapter 493 held on July 28, 2021, at the Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club near Kilmarnock, Virginia. Stuart L. Butler, past president and current Vice President General of the Society of War of 1812, was the keynote speaker. Butler spoke on the activities of William Lambert, who was the U.S. Government agent sent to observe enemy operations in the Northern Neck during the war. Butler also informed his audience that Lambert, because of his outstanding penmanship, was the copyist for the Bill of Rights, the original of which is displayed in the rotunda of the National Archives.



L to R, Richard Fickling, Mike Lyman, Charles Belfield, Stuart Butler



Butler holding life-sized replica of Bill of Rights penned by William Lambert



President JoAnne Fickling addresses the Chapter



Chapter History

The Chapter was organized on 30 January 2018. The Rappahannock Chapter of the United States Daughters of 1812 was chartered on 27 August 2019. The chartering was held at the Foundation for Historic Christ Church in the church. The luncheon and meeting followed with the ceremony in the Baynes Center. The speaker at the luncheon was Mike Lyman who gave a wonderful presentation on the Dolphin. Originally, the name "Dolphin" is what the members wanted to name the Chapter.

The Dolphin was a 12-gun American Privateer, commanded by Captain, William Josephus Stafford. Dolphin had captured 11 British vessels, bringing 9 back to the United States. On 3 April 1813, one of the largest naval engagements in Virginia waters during the War of 1812 took place near the Mosquito Point which currently is the Norris Bridge in Lancaster County; at the mouth of the Corrotoman River. Capt. W. J. Stafford fired his ship's cannon at their pursuer, the "Highflyer". One hundred five British naval and marine forces under Lt. Polkinghorne managed to subdue four American Privateers: Arab, Dolphin, Lynx, and Racer. The largest ship, Dolphin, out of Baltimore, had twelve guns and one hundred men commanded by Capt. W. J. Stafford. The brave ship and men of the Dolphin refused to surrender and kept fighting for three more hours before the overwhelming numbers of British ships and men captured her.



Boarding of the Dolphin and the flying Star Spangled Banner

U.S.D. 1812



United States Daughters of 1812



"Remember The Dolphin"

Rappahannock County Chapter 493, USD1812

Wednesday, July 28, 2021

11:30 AM

Indian Creek Yacht & Country Club

362 Club Drive

Kilmarnock, VA 22482

Welcome and Introductions Jo Ann Fickling, President
Rappahannock Chapter USD1812

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag Janet Cockrell, Historian
Rappahannock Chapter USD1812

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.

Salute to the Flag of 1812 Marie Jennings, Registrar
Rappahannock Chapter USD1812

All hail to Thee, fair Flag of 1812, under whose stars and stripes our fathers Fought for Liberty and Justice. We pledge to Thee our loyal hearts and thus salute Thee.

USD1812 Ritual Jo Ann Fickling
Christine Hughes, Chaplain, Rappahannock Chapter USD1812

April Minutes Bernadette Barber, Recording Secretary
Rappahannock Chapter USD1812

Invocation – Prayer Christine Hughes, Chaplain

12:15 Lunch is served

Speaker Introductions Dinah Balderson, Vice President
Rappahannock Chapter USD1812
Speaker, Stuart L. Butler

Closing Remarks Jo Ann Fickling, President

RITUAL

President: Please Stand for the opening Ritual and please remain standing through the Americans Creed.

Chaplain: Almighty God Maker of Heaven and Earth, we humbly bow before You. We offer thanks for our country and our ancestors who helped establish the principals of freedom, liberty and righteousness. We thank you for granting them strength and grace to endure through times of trouble and sorrow.

We ask that you teach us love, charity, and fraternity. We ask that You continue to guide each member of this Society in ways pleasing to You. These things we ask in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

The Americas Creed: I believe in the United States of America as a Government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign states; a perfect Union, one and inseparable; established upon those principals of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its constitution; to obey its laws; to respect the flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

President: By the authority vested in me as President of Rappahannock Chapter, Daughters of the War of 1812, I do hereby declare this meeting open and ready for business.

"THE MORE YOU KNOW"

The War was officially declared by the U. S. on 18 June 1812 and ended with the Treaty of Ghent, signed in France on 24 December 1814; battles continued for several months until news of the treaty was brought to the U. S. and ratified by Congress on 16 February 1815.

The national anthem, "The Star-Spangled Banner," was derived from the poem written by Francis Scott Key, a witness to the American defenses at the Battle of Baltimore on 12 September 1814.



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