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June 12, 2016 is our next Executive Council meeting to be held at Panera's Bread, 1601 Willow Lawn drive #702, in Richmond, VA. Time: noon.

Our fall meeting is to be determined.

On Thursday, May 19th, VA OFPA Secretary and Past VA OFPA Governor Jerry Hubbard attended a meeting of the Virginia Society of the Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America in Petersburg, Virginia. Discussion were held about other meeting between VAOFPA and VADFPA. Their speaker was Queen Victoria, who was very interesting lady. Great ladies, great company, great meal.

Welcome to our new Associates and to the best society in The Order of Founders and Patriots of America.

New VA OFPA Associates

238/5938 - Ronald Edward Benson, Jr.

Founder – John Benson Isaac Mixer Patriot – Moses Benson Timothy Mixer

239/6189 - Gerald Ray Wright

Founder – Peter Wright (MA)

Patriot – William Wright (VA)

240/6190 - **Donald Lee Crossman**

Founder – Robert Crossman (MA)

Patriot – Theophilus Crossman (MA)

241/6191 - Jeffry Dean Thomas

Founder – Thomas Burton (VA)

Patriot – Joseph Burton (SC)

242/6192 - Robert Bruce Kendall, II

Founder – Francis Kendall (MA)

Patriot - Josiah Kendall, Sr. (MA)

243/6193 - Christian Sean Kendall

Founder – Francis Kendall (MA)

Patriot - Josiah Kendall, Sr. (MA)

244/6194 - Robert Bruce Kendall, III youth

Founder – Francis Kendall (MA)

Patriot - Josiah Kendall, Sr. (MA)

245/6195 - Alexander Nicholas Kendall youth

Founder – Francis Kendall (MA)

Patriot - Josiah Kendall, Sr. (MA)

246/6196 - Michael Ernest Weyler

Founder – Simon Stone (MA)

Patriot – David Stone (MA)

In Memory of

Jack K. Westbrook

September 19, 1923 - April 8, 2016

Westbrook, Jack King, 92 of Knoxville, TN went to be with his Heavenly Father on Friday, April 8, 2016. Jack was a longtime member of First United Methodist Church of Knoxville. He received his Bachelors Degree from the University of Tennessee. Jack accepted a position with UT as Program and News Director of WUOT radio station. He joined the military in the fall of 1942 and was a P-51 pilot flying missions over Iwo Jima. On August 27, 1971, Jack received his commission as COL. He retired on September 19, 1983 at the age of 60.

Jack was a dual member with VA and TN. He was a founding member of the TN society. He wrote up his WWII adventures, which are on the www.vaofpa.org web site under Histories then Jack Westbrook.

Below—Past VA OFPA Governor Mike Lyman and Charles Belfield, SAR, manned a booth at the Lancaster Court Day 2016, held on Saturday April 9, 2016. Information was available on both the OFPA and SAR.





Left—Jerry Hubbard and Doug Graves presenting the VA OFPA JROTC Award to Cadet Staff Sergeant Trent Nichols at Eastern View High School, Culpeper, VA on May 4th.

Below—DGG Dr. Dan Warren and past VAOFPA Governor Mike Lyman participated in the James Monroe birthday Ceremony at Hollywood Cemetery, in Richmond, VA, on 28 April 2016. Dr. Warren presented a wreath on behalf of the VA OFPA.

On 23 April, Mike gave greetings from VAOFPA at the birthday celebration at James Monroe birthplace in Westmoreland Co., VA.



2016 National Guard Units Awards

Army National Guard: Virginia Data Processing Unit

Air National guard: 149th Fighter Squadron

ROTC 2016 Awards (21 total)

Presenters were: Richard Campbell, Doug Graves, Jerry Hubbard, Tom Sale.

College of William and Mary/Christopher Newport University

Cadet Justin A. Folliard

Presented 13 April 2016
George Mason University Cadet Ronika Ray
Presented 28 April 2016

Hampton University Cadet Lamar Dodson

Cadet Asya Laa

Cadet Asya Lee Cadet Patrick Evans

Presented 7 April 2016

James Madison University Michael E. Humphrise II

Presented 27 April 2016

Radford University Christopher M. Ewing

Presented 3 May 2016

University of Richmond/Virginia Commonwealth University

Mark T. Martino

Presented 12 April 2016

Randolph Macon College (University of Richmond)

Cadet Laarni C. Mason

Presented 12 April 2016

University of Virginia Army Cadet Samuel Richardson

Navy Midshipman William Rainey

Air Force Cadet Zachary Carter

Presented 12 April 2016

VMI Air Force Cadet Zachary Turek

Presented 28 April 2016

Army Cadet John Phillips

Presented 2 May 2016

MIDN 1/C Augustus C. Sortino (Marine Corps)

MIDN 1/C Connor J. Culley (Navy)

Presented 25 April 2016

Virginia Tech VPI Cadet Nicholas Masella

Air Force Cadet Connor Monie

Navy MIDSHIPMAN Michael Neilan

Army Cadet Brian Welch

Presented 21 April 2016

JROTC 2016 Awards

First Colonial High School Presenter; Donald Moore

Princess Anne High School Presenter: Donald Moore

Salem High School Presenter: Donald Moore

Eastern View High School Presenter: Jerry Hubbard

Culpeper County High School

Presenter: Jerry Hubbard

Smithfield High School Presenter: Mike Lyman

Deep Run High School Presenter: Richard Campbell

Orange County High School Presenter: Jerry Hubbard

Harrisonburg High School Presenter: Doug Graves

Cadet Seaman Sha-ron Bass Presented 11 May 2016

Cadet C/SA Sebastian Pearson Presented 25 May 2016

> Cadet Jonathan Ketchum Presented 7 May 2016

Cadet Staff Sergeant Trent Nicholas Presented 4 May 2016

below-left Cadet Raymond Hedlund Presented 11 May 2016

> C/2LT Cheyla Hill Presented 26 May 2016

Cadet John Samitt Presented 24 May 2016

Cadet Joseph Dieudonne Godin Presented 5 May 2016

below-right Cadet Hunter Manzano Presented 13 May 2016





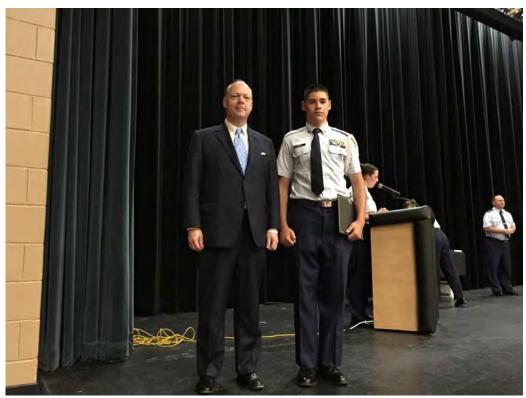
John Shepherd Scholarship Winner

This scholarship was established by VA OFPA States Attorney Charles Phebus, to honor his ancestor, John Shepherd. VA OFPA contributed to the fund.

On Monday, May 9 at the North Royalton Board of Education Meeting, North Royalton Middle School eighth grade student Emily Hamilton was announced as the recipient of the John Shepherd Scholarship to pay for her trip to Washington D.C. May 11 through the 13.

In order to be considered for this scholarship, students were required to write an essay on the goal of commemoration John Shepherd's legacy. Shepherd was born near Philadelphia Pennsylvania and fought in the revolutionary War under the command of General George Washington. He passed away at the age of 117 in North Royalton, Ohio and is now buried in the North Royalton Cemetery.

Hamilton's essay focused on Shepherd's life legacy or "dash" between his birth date and death date on his tombstone. An excerpt from her essay reads, "John Shepherd was an incredible man. He would be labeled as many things: a soldier, a sergeant, a fighter, a dad, a friend, a settler and a hero. He had fought in ten battles and one war, had been taken prisoner and was rescued, was wounded but recovered and still managed to take care of his family back home. That is what I call a hero. So what does that dash mean on a tombstone? Does it mean a lifetime full of highs, lows, experiences and memories? Or is it just a tiny line on a tombstone? You tell me."



Above - Judge Richard Campbell presented the OFPA JROTC certificate and Bar to AFJROTC Cadet John Samitt of Deep Run High School in Richmond, Virginia on 24 May 2016.



Left—Past VAOFPA
Governor Mike Lyman
presented the OFPA
JROTC Certificate and
bar to Cadet 2Lt Cheyla
Hill at Smithfield High
School on Thursday
May 26.
Below—VA OFPA
Treasurer Shane Newcombe, The Parrish
Award, VAOFPA Gov-

ernor Walt Sheffield, and Governor General





Left—Potential Youth Associate John Courtney Sheffield, III (Trey) checking his eye lids for leaks.

Below—The Sheffield Mafia Left to right—Zander Sheffield, his brother Court Sheffield and wife Carrie, Governor Walt Sheffield, and Zander's 1st Cousin Jack Tierney. I see at least two potential VA OFPA Associates in that picture.





Left—OFPA National Awards Committee Chairman and Deputy Genealogist General Shane Newcombe with PGG Charles Hampton.

Below—Swearing in of General Officers.





Top—Jerry Hubbard, Mike Lyman and Doug Graves at the Hungerford Cemetery on Saturday, May 7rh. Below center—Doug Graves placed the VA OFPA wreath. The Hungerford Cemetery in Colonial Beach, VA is a private family cemetery that contains the graves of Revolutionary War and War of 1812 patriots.



Following is our society's annual report submitted to the 120th General Court in Denver last week,....

"Dear Governor General Lucas and fellow Associates –

Our Virginia Society is only the fifth largest Society in our national organization and yet we have won the Parrish Award for a eight consecutive year. We citizens of the Grand Commonwealth admittedly live on hallowed ground making it easier to participate in Colonial and Revolutionary activities. Of course our annual report chronicles our usual meetings, founder and patriot grave ceremonies, ROTC programs, and other activities; but,...our dedicated leadership cadre has identified a niche that will allow us to play a much more vigorous role in the Virginia lineage society community.

Over the years you have come to know the good works of:

Our indefatigable Secretary, Doug Graves; and,

Our past Presidents: Jerry Hubbard (formerly Registrar General);

LTC "Mike" Lyman;

Shawn Newcombe (currently, Deputy Genealogist General);

Taylor Cowardin;

and soon to be Governor General, Dan Warren.

Under their guidance and the leadership of one of our newer members, Ben Fegan, we recently sponsored an event with well over 150 in attendance. This event included members of the Order of Descendants of Colonial Cavaliers, local DAR and SAR chapters, Sons of the Revolution, Colonial Wars, James City County officials, and the hosting Two Rivers Country Club. The event featured the reburial of one early Virginia Colony member whose bodies had been disinterred for study by the Smithsonian Institution. The net-working and publicity were well worth the effort!

While we are small, we are uniquely endowed to focus on both Colonial and/or Revolutionary history. If we continue to facilitate cooperative events with other state heritage groups, it raises our visibility and reputation. The result for us has been a sharp upturn of interest in our Society. Through the marvelous efforts of our Registrar, Taylor Cowardin, we have brought in eight new members so far in 2016.

With all modesty aside, gentlemen, our Virginia Society fully intends to earn a 9th straight Parrish Award and take home the Hinckley for 2016, as well!

Humbly submitted,

Walter Jervis Sheffield

Governor"

Roster of General Officers—2016-2018

GOVERNOR GENERAL Daniel C. Warren, MD

DEPUTY GOVERNOR GENERAL Richard M. Wright, Jt.

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DEPUTY CHAPLAIN GENERAL The Rev. Donald L. Stone, Jr.

EDITOR "THE BULLETIN" Michael S. Swisher

A FEW NOTES FROM THE GENERAL COURT

National dues are going up to \$30.00. Will be in affect next billing cycle. Yeah, that is a pretty good increase but we have not had an increase in dues for years!

A prayer book will be published and made available on line and for purchase. (An OFPA prayer book was previously published and available. But has fallen by the wayside.)

2017 General Court will be held in Atlanta, Georgia on 25—28 May 2017.

Loosing up the membership requirements was discussed. It will be left as it currently is. This will continue to be explored and discussed with the adoption of the Long Range Committee's Vision/Strategic Plan (editorial comment—Why do certain General Officers and Associates insist on dishonoring the Order, again?)

OFPA Lineage book 6 should be available spring/summer 2017. Cost will be about \$60.00.

Ancestor Memorials

Associate-James M. Bayne **Founder-**William Hatcher **Patriot-**Edward Hatcher

Associate-A. Brian Cowardin **Founder**-Peter Cowardine **Patriot**-John Cowardine

Associate-L. Taylor Cowardin **Founder-**Peter Corwardine **Patriot-**John Cowardine

Associate-Asa Wesley Graves, VI **Founder**-Thomas Graves **Patriot**-Thomas Graves

Associate-Douglas M. Graves Founder-Thomas Graves Patriot-John Graves Patriot-Thomas Graves

Associate-Michael T. Halterman **Founder**-Christopher Wadsworth **Patriot**-Joseph Wadsworth

Associate-Liam Jackson Hubbard Founder-George Hubbard Patriot-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Roger P. Jones **Founder**-Rev. Richard Jones **Patriot**-Peter Jones

Associate-George W.B. Elder **Founder**-Robert Abernathy **Patriot**-John Abernathy

Associate-Myron "Mike" E. Lyman Founder-Richard Lyman Patriot-Ozias Lyman Associate-Jei Brendon L. Benz Founder-George Hubbard Patriot-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Eugene A. Walker **Founder**-Capt. Samuel Walker **Patriot**-Sgt. Timothy Walker

Associate-Cranston Williams, Jr.
Founder-Ambrose Cobbs
Founder- Robert Cobbs
Patriot-Capt. Robert Lewis Cobbs

Associate-Lewis Turner Cowardin, II Founder-Peter Cowardine Patriot-John Cowardine

Associate-Zachary N. Hall Founder-Thomas Graves Patriot-John Graves Patriot-Thomas Graves

Associate-Christopher L. Hubbard **Founder**-George Hubbard **Patriot**-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Donnel J. Hubbard **Founder**-George Hubbard **Patriot**-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Walter Jervis Sheffield **Founder**-Col. Robert Wynne, II **Patriot**-John Winn and son Peter Winn

Associate-Asa Wesley Graves, VIII **Founder**-Thomas Graves **Patriot**-Thomas Graves

Associate-Robert S. Marks **Founder**-Robert Abernathy **Patriot**-John Abernathy

Associate-Hugh E. Fraser, III **Founder**-John Barker **Patriot**-Henry Barker, Jr.

Associate-Asa Wesley Graves, VII Founder-Thomas Graves Patriot-Thomas Graves

Associate-James Lewis Wheeler **Founder**-George Wheeler and son William **Patriot**-Sgt. Timothy Wheeler, Sr.

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Ancestor Memorials

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Associate-Charles B. Fegan

Founder – Robert Moulton & son Robert Moulton Patriot – Freeborn Moulton

Elijah Moulton

ASSOCIATE-Wade Howard Osborne Kirby

Founder - Thomas Kirby

Patriot - Captain William Kirby

Associate– Walter A. Sheffield

Founder– Col. Robert Wynne, II **Patriot**– John Winn, Sr. & son Peter Winn

Associate-Robert B. Kendall Founder-Francis Kendall Patriot-Josiah Kendall

Please Remember

VA OFPA has several wreaths, a parade banner and an OFPA flag which can be used by any VA OFPA Associate at an event. It is a good way to let people know you are an OFPA member. And, the VA OFPA has two magnetic signs that can be placed on cars if you are in a parade that allows autos. Contact Bob and Vicki Kendall. (email next column)

If you participate in an activity where you are identified as an OFPA Associate, please advise the Governor and Secretary. Save a copy of the program, and a photograph of your participation if possible. If you write an article, save a copy and send to Governor Sheffield and Secretary Graves to be included in the annual Governor's report.

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http://www.facebook.com/pages/Founders-and-Patriots-of-America/212618818770058

The VA OFPA web site is www.vaofpa.org. Donald Moore is our webmaster and has recently updated it. Take a look at a *great* web site!



Above—OFPA Flag