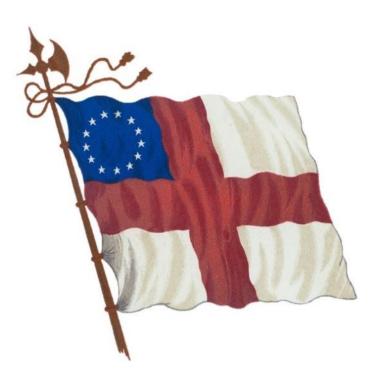


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Governor's Report on the Fourth Quarter of 2021

The fourth quarter of 2021 saw our Virginia Society, OFPA heavily focused on Tuesday, October 19, in Yorktown, Virginia.

The day started at 9:00 am at the Grace Episcopal Church and the annual ceremony honoring Governor Thomas Nelson, Jr., who had been the commander of the Virginia Militia during the Siege of Yorktown on October 19, 1781. This is a National SAR Event where we present OFPA wreaths.

The annual Yorktown Day Victory Parade through the town had been on the schedule for 10:30 am. However, earlier in the week it was cancelled for the second year in a row. This had been a parade in which we had participated many times.

At 11:30 am, we gathered at the Riverwalk Restaurant on Water Street for our 2021 Fall Membership Meeting. Our guest speaker recounted the history of the Susan Constant, the largest of the three ships that arrived in Yorktown on May 14, 1607, with the first English settlers we count as Founders. More on the business conducted in the article below.

At 2:30 pm, we gathered at the Old Charles Church Cemetery in York County, about 10 miles southeast of Yorktown, for the dedication of a plaque and monument to twenty founders buried in that cemetery. This event was the culmination of over two years of planning, research and procurement. More details in the article below.

Another National SAR Event, the Battle of Great Bridge in Chesapeake, Virginia, was celebrated on Saturday, December 4 on the banks of the Elizabeth River in Chesapeake. I presented the VA OFPA wreath while our Deputy Governor Ken Hawkins was the Master of Ceremonies.

The actual Battle of Great Bridge had taken place in the early hours of December 9, 1775, which was a decisive victory for the Virginia Militia, and led to the British departure from Virginia. The Culpeper Minutemen played a dominant role in that fight and are so honored in Chesapeake.

The Culpeper Minutemen Chapter of the VA SAR, not to be outdone, held a commemoration in Culpeper on December 9 at 7:00 in the morning, the actual date and time of the battle in 1775, to enable those attending to experience some of the conditions under which those Culpeper Patriots had to fight. I was one of those who rolled out of bed early, rode through the dark to Culpeper, and braved the cold to attend and present our VA OFPA Wreath.

December 18 was Wreaths Across America day, with wreaths placed at Veterans' graves around the country. While these events may not be directly related to our Founder Ancestors or our Patriot Ancestors, I would urge all to participate every third Saturday in December. It is encouraging to see the number of patriotic organizations that gather to honor our veterans.

As we come to the end of a successful OFPA year, and remembering our recent celebration of the Birth of the Savior, I praise God for the grace he has given us and will continue to pray for our Associates who struggle with personal challenges.

Steadfast for God and Country, Michael E. Weyler, Ph.D. Governor, Virginia Society





VA OFPA participates in Williams Family Grave Marking Ceremony

On October 3, 2021, members of the Virginia Society of the OFPA participated in the marking of two Patriot graves at the Williams Family cemetery in Mathews, Virginia. The event was hosted by two VASSAR chapters, the Richard Henry Lee Chapter and the Thomas Nelson, Jr. Chapter. The two Patriots of the American Revolution were Samuel Williams and John Richards. Both of these Patriots were being recognized for having given financial support for the American Revolutionary War. Danny Kiser of the Richard Henry Lee Chapter presided over the event.

The OFPA Associates present were Councilor Dr. Kenneth Hawkins, Past Governor Mike Lyman, and Associate and VASSAR President Jeff Thomas.

Councilor Hawkins brought greetings from the Virginia Society and presented the Society's wreath. In his greeting remarks, Dr. Hawkins spoke of the connection between our Patriot Ancestors and our Founder Ancestors.



It is my honor to bring greetings on behalf of the Virginia Society of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America. Today we commemorate two Patriots who provided material aid to the cause.

Today's military cannot succeed without logistical support. Likewise, those Patriots that took up arms against the British nearly 250 years ago could not have succeeded without support and generosity of men like Samuel Williams and John Richards. Working together, the armed and unarmed Patriots of yesteryear, united our 13 colonies into an independent nation.

We not only honor these Patriots today but their ancestors who arrived on our shores almost four centuries ago to cre-

ate a new country – one based on liberty and self- government.

Through their efforts, the brave Patriots we recognize today



understood the challenges and rose to the occasion and created the United States of America. God Bless the United States of America.







OFPA Participation at Monroe Birthplace Grand Opening

On October 2, 2021, VA OFPA Past Governor Mike Lyman and Associate and VA SAR President Jeff Thomas participated in the James Monroe Birthplace Grand Opening Ceremony. Mike Lyman gave greetings from the Virginia Society OFPA, presented the Order's wreath, and carried the OFPA flag in the Color Guard.

A few years ago the VA Society OFPA gave funds to the James Monroe Memorial Foundation for this project to build a reproduction of Monroe's birthplace and childhood home., so our Society appears on the donors list inside the replica house.



Mike Lyman bringing greetings



Mike Lyman and Jeff Thomas behind Virginia OFPA wreath



Presentation of Wreaths in front of the replica of the house where James Monroe was born.





VA OFPA participates in Williams Family Grave Marking Ceremony

On October 3, 2021, at the Williams family cemetery in Mathews, VA, the VA OFPA Past Governor Mike Lyman, Deputy Governor Ken Hawkins and Associate and VA SAR President Jeff Thomas participated in the grave marking of Samuel Williams, an American Revolution Patriot. Ken Hawkins gave the VA OFPA greetings and presented the Society wreath. He is listed on the program as representing one of the statewide lineage societies. Mike Lyman carried and posted the OFPA colors in the Color Guard. The OFPA colors are shown above the Samuel Williams gravestone in the photo below.

One direct descendant of Samuel Williams, Ron Richardson, who still lives in the area and maintains the cemetery, participated in the ceremony.







Virginia OFPA Participates in SAR Ceremony on Yorktown Victory Day

On Tuesday morning, October 19, 2021, in the graveyard of the Grace Episcopal Church on Church Street in Yorktown, Virginia, members of the Virginia OFPA participated in a ceremony of remembrance and the placement of wreaths at the grave of Governor Thomas Nelson, Jr., who was the commander of the Virginia Militia during the siege of Yorktown in 1781.

Master of Ceremonies for the event was Larry McKinley, a past president of the Virginia SAR. The current Virginia SAR President Jeff Thomas, who is also an Associate of the Virginia OFPA, brought greetings from VASSAR. As the principal speaker, SAR Chancellor General Mike Elston brought remarks about Governor Nelson.

Thomas Nelson, Jr. was Yorktown's most famous son and one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. As the commander of the Virginia Militia during the siege of Yorktown, Nelson is said to have urged the patriot cannon to fire on his own home, the Nelson House, where General Cornwallis was said to have his headquarters, offering five guineas to the first man to hit his house. Nelson also served in the Virginia General Assembly, the Continental Congress, and was elected Virginia Governor in 1781.

A total of forty wreaths were presented at Governor Nelson's grave. Dr. Dan Warren, Past Governor General of the OFPA presented the General Order's wreath, and Virginia OFPA Governor Michael E. Weyler presented the VA OFPA wreath. VA OFPA Past President Mike Lyman was present in the Color Guard.



Virginia OFPA Associates, L/R, Michael Weyler, Dan Warren, Mike Lyman and Jeff Thomas





2021 Fall Membership Meeting of the Virginia Society, OFPA

Our 2021 Fall Membership Meeting was held on Tuesday, October 19, at the Riverwalk Restaurant on Water Street in Yorktown, Virginia. The agenda included a business meeting, the induction of a new Associate, the installation of new officers for 2022, and a guest speaker who spoke on the history of Jamestown, starting with the landing of the Susan Constant in May of 1607.

Governor Weyler gaveled the meeting to order at 11:30 am. Secretary Jim Russell brought the invocation, and Associate Terry Krebs led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. After Governor Weyler's welcoming remarks and self-introductions all around, Governor Weyler inducted our newest Associate, Terry Krebs.



Governor Weyler presents new Associate Terry Krebs with his Virginia Membership Certificate and his National Membership Diploma

After a review of the minutes from the 27 March 2021 Membership Meeting, officer reports were given.

The Governor's Report focused on the two recent officer resignations, i.e., Ben Fegan's resignation as Chaplain and Josh Wilberger's resignation as Secretary and Newsletter editor. Each resigned for personal and family reasons. We do appreciate their past contributions to our Society and the Order over the last few years and wish them well.

Governor Weyler had appointed Jim Russell as Acting Secretary and Terry Krebs as Acting Chaplain, each to act until the Fall Membership Meeting and an election in which candidates are elected to fill out the remaining year of each resigning officer's two year term.

A final report was given on the installation and preparation for the dedication of the bronze plaque and granite monument to take place this afternoon at the Charles Church Cemetery in York County honoring twenty Virginia Founders buried in that cemetery.





Two upcoming events in which we have opportunities to participate involve the celebration of the patriot victory at the Battle of Great Bridge that took place in what is now Chesapeake, Virginia on 9 December 1775. On 4 December, the DAR and VASSAR will celebrate the victory in Chesapeake at the site of the Battle of Great Bridge. On 9 December, the actual date of the battle in 1775, the Culpeper Minutemen Chapter of VASSAR will be celebrating the patriot's victory because it was the participation of the Culpeper Minutemen who assured the victory at Great Bridge.

Councilor Doug Graves, representing the nominating committee, presented the slate of new officer and council candidates for the offices being vacated at the end of this year.

Deputy Governor-Dr Kenneth L. Hawkins (2022-2023) Secretary & Editor of *The Virginia Cavalier* newsletter: James F. Russell (2022-2023) Chaplin-Terry R. Krebs (2022-2023) Councilor-D. Jerry Hubbard (2022-2024) Councilor-Donald W. Moore (2022-2024) – continuing, but not present Councilor-James F. Russell (2022-2024)

The slate, as presented, was elected unanimously.



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Weyler installs new 2022 Officers: L/R, Jerry Hubbard, Councilor; Secretary; Ken Hawkins, Deputy Governor; Terry Krebs, Chaplain.

Jim Russell,

The final business before our luncheon was to set the second week in January of 2022 for the next Executive Council meeting.

Following lunch, Governor Weyler introduced our guest speaker, Carol Wiers, who spoke on *The Voyage* of the Susan Constant.





Carol Wiers is the Assistant Supervisor of the Ships Interpretive Program at the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation Museum, where she has been employed for the last seventeen years. Most days find her onboard the Susan Constant, or one of her smaller sister ships, the Godspeed or the Discovery, the three ships that brought those early settlers to Jamestown.



Carol started her presentation of the Jamestown chronology with the April 1606 charter granted by James I to the Virginia Company of London, which resulted in the departure of the three ships from London on December 20, 1606, the objective being the establishment of a settlement in Virginia.

On May 14, 1607, after a voyage of almost five months, the Susan Constant, the Godspeed and the Discovery, those first colonists came ashore at Jamestown. This is an important date for the OFPA because that is the date from which our Order counts those who arrived on that date and over the next fifty years as Founders.

Carol, in her well received presentation, went on to tell of the further voyages of the Susan Constant, some of the history of Jamestown and some of the adventures of Captain John Smith, one of those who had arrived in Jamestown on the Susan Constant.



Meeting attendees: L/R, Jim Russell, Mike Lyman, Terry Krebs, Mrs. Krebs, Dr. Kenneth Hawkins, Elaina Warren, Dr. Michael Weyler, Dr. Daniel Warren, Rich Rattan, Doug Graves and Jerry Hubbard. Attendee not shown: Jeff Thomas.





Charles Church Cemetery Plaque Dedication

On Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at the Charles Church Cemetery, 907 Yorktown Road, in York County, the Virginia Society of The Order of the Founders and Patriots of America held a ceremony to dedicate a plaque bearing the names of twenty Virginia Founders buried in that cemetery.

VA OFPA Governor Dr. Michael E. Weyler called the ceremony to order at 2:30 pm and reminded those in attendance why we hold such a ceremony.

It is the OFPA's mission to keep alive the memory of those who came here four centuries ago, who built families and communities, who left their children and grandchildren a legacy of liberty and freedom, a legacy that a century and a half later gave inspiration to their descendants, those whom we now call Patriots, to take up arms, turning a country of thirteen British colonies into an independent nation of thirteen states, the United State of America. These twenty men are a part our own legacy of liberty that stretches back four centuries.

Past Governor Jerry Hubbard gave an invocation, Color Guard Commander Jim Russell advanced the colors, and Councilor Doug Graves led in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.



Virginia Society OFPA Color Guard ready to advance the colors

After Governor Weyler recognized some distinguished guests, each attendee was invited to introduce himself or herself to those assembled. Greetings from their lineage organizations were then given by Dr. Daniel Warren, Past Governor General of The Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, Jeff Thomas, President of the Virginia Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and Faye Sobell, President of the Virginia Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the Founders and Patriots of America.







Past Governor Mike Lyman spoke about the history of the Charles Church Cemetery, and how he had initiated the project to place a plaque at this cemetery to honor those buried here who had arrived in the colonies within the fifty years following the founding of Jamestown on May 14, 1607, those whom we call Founders.



Our Registrar and Genealogist Rich Rattan then spoke on the extensive research that went into establishing as Founders the twenty men whose names and years of burial are memorialized on the bronze plaque set on the granite monument. The surviving **Charles Church burial records** showed 67 men buried in this cemetery, of which only twenty were proven to be immigrants in the fifty years following the establishment of Jamestown. Rich was able to document that twenty of them were immigrants, during the fifty-year period after the founding of Jamestown. The other forty -seven were either born here in that fifty-year period or arrived in the colonies after May 14, 1657.





Governor Weyler and Registrar Rich Rattan read the unveiling ritual, and Past Governor Mike Lyman and Secretary Jim Russell unveiled the plaque, after which eight wreaths were presented from the following organizations:

The General Society of the OFPA, presented by Past Governor General Dr. Dan Warren Virginia Chapter, DFPA, by President Faye Sobell & Recording Secretary Sheila Brady Virginia Society, OFPA, presented by Governor Dr. Michael E. Weyler Virginia Society, Sons of the American Revolution, presented by President Jeff Thomas Thomas Nelson Jr. Chapter, VASSAR, presented by President Gary Hodges Williamsburg Chapter, VASSAR, presented by President Roger Cross Colonel James Wood II Chapter, VASSAR, presented by Past President Dale Corey George Washington Chapter, VASSAR, presented by Past President Ernie Coggins



Wreath presenters, L/R: Ernie Coggins, Gary Hodges, Roger Cross, Michael Weyler, Jeff Thomas, Dr. Daniel Warren, Dale Corey, Faye Sobell, and Sheila Brady.

After the presentation of the wreaths, the ceremony was closed with a benediction from Councilor Dr. Ken Hawkins.

Other guests at the ceremony were; Vann Cunningham, member of the Major K.M. Van Zandt Chapter, Texas Society, SAR; Wanda Russo, Former President of the Virginia Chapter NSDFPA; Nancy Yarborough, Chaplain of the Virginia Chapter NSDFPA, Nick Luccketti of the James River Institute for Archeology, who conducted the archeological survey of the cemetery; Mrs. Elaina Warren, wife of Dr. Warren and Mrs. Lauren Krebs, wife of Terry Krebs.





250th Anniversary of the Opening of Washington's Gristmill

On 30 October 2021, Rich Rattan, Registrar for the VA Society, presented OFPA greetings at the 250th anniversary of the opening of George Washington's grist mill located near his home at Mount Vernon. This ceremony was organized by the Fairfax Resolves Chapter and the Virginia Society of the SAR. In his remarks, Rich paid homage to George Washington's great grandfather, John Washington, who was an immigrant to Virginia in 1656 and a FOUNDER.



VA OFPA Registrar and Genealogist Rich Ratan bringing greetings at Washington's Gristmill





2021 Commemoration of the Victory at the Battle of Great Bridge

On Saturday, December 4, 2021, at Great Bridge Battlefield Park in Chesapeake, Virginia, at the site of the Great Bridge over the Elizabeth River, the Virginia OFPA participated in the annual commemoration of the patriots' victory over the British forces of Royal Governor Lord Dunmore on December 9, 1775. The victory at Great Bridge led to the eventual expulsion of Lord Dunmore from Virginia and the end of British rule in Virginia.



The event, which was the 11th Annual National Society SAR Commemoration of the battle, was jointly sponsored by the SAR and DAR. In addition to the Sons of the American Revolution President General David Wright, other participant from the SAR, the DAR, the C.A.R, and several other lineage and historical societies, from both Virginia and North Carolina, presented at least 37 wreaths at the Great Bridge Monument, with the Virginia OFPA wreath being presented by Governor Michael Weyler.

The Master of Ceremonies for the commemoration was Dr. Kenneth Hawkins, Past President of the Norfolk Chapter, VASSAR and Deputy Governor of the Virginia Society OFPA.

During his greetings, the VASSAR President and Virginia OFPA Associate Jeff Thomas reminded those assembled of the outsized impact the battle had on the course of the Revolution. "The battle has been described as one of the earliest, smallest, shortest and least known, yet most important of actions of the Revolution precisely because it drove the British out of Norfolk and ultimately out of Virginia."



L/R: SAR PG David Wright, Ken Hawkins, Chesapeake Mayor West and Jeff Thomas





The Culpeper Minute Battalion at the Battle of Great Bridge

At 7:00 am on Thursday, December 9, 2021, at the Culpeper Minute Battalion Memorial in Yowell Meadow Park in Culpeper, Virginia, a small group of hardy souls gathered to remember the date and time in the early morning hours of December 9, 1775, when the Culpeper Minute Battalion led in the victory at the Battle of Great Bridge in Chesapeake, Virginia. The event was held in the cold, early hours to instill a sense of that which our patriot ancestors might have experienced on that cold December 9 morning 246 years ago.

The program of remembrance was concluded with the presentation of wreaths and a musket salute. Virginia OFPA Governor Michael Weyler carried the National Colors in the Color Guard and presented the Virginia OFPA wreath.

Culpeper Minutemen Chapter President Charles Jameson recounted the history of the Culpeper Minute Battalion, how they were formed in September of 1775 in response to the Virginia Convention's call for military forces to resist the King's abuses, and how they marched south to Norfolk, defeated the British at the Battle of Great Bridge in December and secured Virginia for the cause of independence.



Above, Governor Weyler with OFPA Wreath is second from the left



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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.

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 Weyler and Secretary Wilberger to be included in the annual Governor's report.

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Above—OFPA Flag

