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Fairfax Resolves Chapter

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BEST VERY LARGE CHAPTER IN VIRGINIA 2012, 2014; BEST LARGE CHAPTER 2007-2010



2017 Fairfax Resolves Officers Installed

The 2017 Fairfax Resolves officers were installed at the chapter's holiday luncheon on December 10, 2016 at Chantilly Country Club. There were 25 members in attendance including VASSAR 2nd Vice President Pat Kelly and his wife Jennifer.

In the top photo, Pat Kelly installed the chapter's officers (from left to right) Larry McKinley, Secretary; Carl Loveland, Treasurer; Woody Bentley, 1st Vice President; Jeff Thomas, President; Mark Anderson, 3rd Vice President; Dave Cook, Registrar; and Darrin Schmidt, Webmaster.

In the bottom photo, the remaining chapter officers were installed at the chapter meeting at Falcon's Landing on January 26, 2017 (from left to right) Ken Bonner, 2nd Vice President; Richard Abbott, 3-year Board of Managers term and Bill Denk, PR/Historian.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGAGEMENT

See the opportunities in this issue of *The Defender* to take up your arms and engage in the activities of the chapter. Read the President's Message on page 2 and accept the challenge. See the Calendar of Events on page 3 for opportunities to participate. Take a role in supporting the activities of our chapter's committees on page 8. Lastly, learn how your participation in the chapter's activities can earn recognition in our new Outstanding Compatriot program on page 8.

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CHAPTER NEWS

President's Message



Compatriots,

We can all be proud of the tremendous impact that the Fairfax Resolves chapter has in our community each year, from our support of youth programs like Rumbaugh Orations, Knight Essay, Eagle Scout and ROTC to our recognition of public service leaders in our community like Teacher of the Year, Law Enforcement, Fire Safety

and EMS to the furtherance of our patriotic heritage through educational activities and historical observances. In the coming year, we have a wonderful opportunity to build on that strong foundation through the dedicated efforts of our members.

My goals are simply to see our chapter expand the engagement and involvement of our members across all our programs, continue to grow by bringing new members into our ranks and to promote more social opportunities for us to deepen our bond of compatriotism. There are many ways for us to be involved and to support our great organization. I want to invite each of you to find the way or ways that are best for you. Whether you are the newest member or have been in the chapter for a while, find a way to be a part of our success. Ways to participate include serving as an officer, committee chair, committee member, as an assistant secretary, treasurer, registrar or webmaster, as a newsletter contributor, meeting photographer, as a member of the color guard, by submitting a patriot supplemental, or simply by attending our meetings and events. If you have an interest, we have a place for you. If you see a need, we welcome your ideas. Your contributions will make all the difference. I hope you will take advantage of all of the exciting opportunities before us in the coming year.

I look forward to serving with you in the year to come.

*Regards,
Jeff Thomas*

Fairfax Resolves Chapter Board of Managers

President	Jeff Thomas
1st VP	Woody Bentley
2nd VP	Ken Bonner
3rd VP	Mark Anderson
Secretary	Larry McKinley
Treasurer	Carl Loveland
Registrar	Dave Cook
PR/Historian	Bill Denk
Webmaster	Darrin Schmidt
Past President	Vern Eubanks
3-Year Term	Rick Abbott
2-Year Term	Bill Price
1-Year Term	Phil Ray

Emeritus Officers

Secretary	Richard Spurr
Chaplain	William Youngs

The Defender is the quarterly newsletter of the Fairfax Resolves. Submit articles for publication to the editor by the first day of February, May, August and November at editor@fairfaxresolvessar.org

Editor Jeff Thomas

In honor of Bill Youngs, Emeritus Chaplain and a member of the Fairfax Resolves chapter for 30 years, who created *The Defender* newsletter.



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2017 Spring Calendar of Chapter Events

Thursday, January 26, 7-9pm

Chapter Meeting and Orations
Falcon's Landing, Sterling, VA

February 10-11

VASSAR Annual Meeting
Omni Hotel, Richmond, VA

Saturday, March 11, 1-3pm

Chapter Meeting and Docent Tour
Pohick Church, Lorton, VA

Saturday, April 1, Day Trip

American Revolution Museum
Grand Opening Celebration
Yorktown, VA

Saturday, April 22, 2-4pm

Chapter Meeting and Wine Tasting
Chrysalis Winery, Middleburg, VA
Speaker and Book Signing: Richard Leahy
Topic: Beyond Jefferson's Vines

Saturday, May 20, 11am-2pm

Chapter Spring Luncheon
International Country Club, Fairfax, VA

SAR Historic Celebrations

- January 14** **Battle of Cowpens**
Gaffney, SC
- February 17-18** **Crossing of the Dan**
South Boston, VA
- March 18** **Battle of Guilford Courthouse**
Greensboro, NC
- May 12-13** **Raid at Martin's Station**
Ewing, VA

Other Events

- February 13** **Capt. John Dickie Burial**
Arlington National Cemetery
- March 4** **National History Day**
Mt. Vernon H.S.
- June 14** **Flag Day Disposal Ceremony**
Great Falls, VA
- June 17** **275th Anniversary**
Fairfax County



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MEMBER NEWS



President Vern Eubanks welcomed Oliver Schwab, with wife Ana, into Fairfax Resolves membership on December 10 at Chantilly Country Club

Capt. John Dickie Burial Service

The burial service for Capt. John Dickie, former Fairfax Resolves President and Virginia Society President, will be held at Arlington National Cemetery on February 13, 2017 starting at 1pm from the Old Chapel. Guests are requested to arrive by 12:15pm. A reception will follow interment.



Capt. Dickie was a decorated Naval Captain, serving from 1971-1998 as a Cryptologic Officer.

Oliver Schwab Discusses Ancestor Daniel Pinkham

New member R. Oliver Schwab, at his induction at our December holiday luncheon, discussed his lineage back to his fifth great grandfather, Daniel Pinkham who served as an Ensign in the Second Regiment, New Hampshire Continental Line.

Pinkham's family resided in Madbury, New Hampshire out of which he enlisted in the Continental Army on May 26, 1775 at the age of 21 years old. Pinkham is listed on the pay roll in Captain Winbon Adams' company, in Colonel Eloch Poor's regiment, a script paid June 2, 1775. Pinkham is also listed on the company roster dated October 4, 1775. On November 5, 1775, Pinkham is listed in the muster and pay roll of the officers and soldiers recorded by Stephen Evans.

The Second Regiment in the State of New Hampshire went on to join the Continental Army in New York per an order dated September 16, 1776. At this time Pinkham is listed as ensign. On April 8, 1779, Colonel Joshua Wentworth of Greenland, NH received a

letter from the Honorable Committee of Safety to muster a list of soldiers raised in the State of New Hampshire to fill the Continental Army. Pinkham was one of nine men who were selected on April 18, 1779. Pinkham served until the end of the war.

In May 1780, Pinkham married Patience Ham of Dover in a ceremony performed by the minister William Hooper in Madbury. This record is still on file with the State of New Hampshire's archives. About 1787 Pinkham is lost at sea.

The Pinkhams had only one child, a son named Daniel Pinkham, Jr. His grandchildren would form and manage the Lydia Pinkham Vegetable Compound, a company which produced medical remedies and pioneered a female, Lydia Pinkham, in advertising. The Pinkham family collections are housed in over 180 boxes and pieces of artwork at the Schlesinger Library at Harvard University's Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study in Cambridge, MA.



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MEMBER NEWS



President Vern Eubanks inducted Bill Wing, with wife Janet, into membership at the November 17, 2016 meeting at Falcon's Landing. Bill's Patriot ancestor is Thomas Hurlburt of Connecticut. Their son Ryan was also presented a membership certificate.



President Vern Eubanks presented Compatriot Jeff Thomas with a supplemental member certificate at the November 17, 2016 meeting at Falcon's Landing for his Patriot ancestor Charles Gosnell of North Carolina.

2016 New Members

<u>Member</u>	<u>Ancestor</u>	<u>State</u>
William Kent Williams	Joseph Coleman	VA
Liam Desmond Williams	Joseph Coleman	VA
Wesley Duane Harlow	John Wagner	VA
Scott Douglas Applegate	John Ashmead	PA
James Philip Briggs	William Briggs	MA
William John Denk, Jr.	John Headley	NJ
Daniel Edward Poore	Samuel Culbertson	NC
Edward Tracy Poore	Samuel Culbertson	NC
Richard Oliver Schwab, Jr.	Daniel Pinkham	NH
Kenneth Lee Bonner	William Bonner	NC
Kenneth Lee Bonner, Jr.	William Bonner	NC
James Robert Wells	Lewis Boyer	MD
James Robert Wells, Jr.	Lewis Boyer	MD
Robert Paul Pease	William Cutter	NJ
Brian Alexander Pease	William Cutter	NJ
William Robert Wing	Thomas Hurlburt	CT
Ryan Spencer Wing	Thomas Hurlburt	CT

2016 Supplemental Applications

<u>Member</u>	<u>Ancestor</u>	<u>State</u>
Jeffrey Dean Thomas	Samuel McJunkin	SC
Jeffrey Dean Thomas	Daniel McJunkin	SC
Jeffrey Dean Thomas	Joseph Pitman	NC
Jeffrey Dean Thomas	Charles Gosnell	NC
Delmont Gary Stephens	Richard Bailey	VA
Delmont Gary Stephens	James Bailey	NJ
William Gerald Cochran	Nathaniel Cochran	VA
Richard Line Abbott	William Bristow	VA
Erbank Jackson Brinson	William Speight	NC

Compatriots Who Passed in 2016

Lt. Col. Percy Floyd	January 24, 2016
Capt. John Dickie	July 23, 2016
Joseph Patton Marshall	August 16, 2016
Col. Landgrave Smith	August 25, 2016



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AWARDS



Vernon Eubanks Awarded Meritorious Service Medal

Outgoing President Vernon Eubanks was awarded the Fairfax Resolves Meritorious Service Medal at the chapter's December 2016 holiday luncheon at Chantilly Country Club. Incoming President Jeff Thomas presented the award.

Vern has served the chapter with distinction as President in 2015-16, 2nd Vice President in 2014-15, as Fire Safety & EMS Committee Chairman and as a member of the Color Guard.

OUTSTANDING CHAPTER CONTRIBUTIONS

Chapter President Jeff Thomas presented Jamestown Quadricentennial Medals to Compatriots Dave Cook (below left) and Carl Loveland (below right) for outstanding contributions to the Fairfax Resolves chapter during 2016. The commemorative medals, from the 2007 National SAR Congress, recognize the 400th Anniversary of Jamestown 1607-2007.

As registrar, Dave Cook supported applications that were approved for 17 new chapter members and 9 supplementals.

Carl supported the chapter in several officer roles, including 2nd Vice President, Awards Chair & Treasurer.



DR. JOSEPH WARREN MEDAL

Rumbaugh Orations Chair Larry McKinley presented Compatriot David Cook with the Dr. Joseph Warren Medal at the chapter's December 2016 holiday luncheon for his support of the Rumbaugh Orations program.

Contributions to the Rumbaugh Orations endowment fund support increased scholarship awards for high school participants.



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EVENTS



Gold Good Citizenship Award

The DC Society SAR presented its Gold Good Citizenship Award to Pulitzer Prize winning author David McCullough on January 2, 2017.

Color Guard members Vern Eubanks, Larry McKinley and Darrin Schmidt presented the colors with a JROTC Color Guard at the ceremony. Fairfax Resolves members Oliver Schwab and Don Cooper were also in attendance.

RUMBAUGH ORATIONS CONTEST

The chapter held its annual Rumbaugh Orations contest on Thursday, January 26, 2017 at Falcon's Landing. Participating in the contest were two students from Bishop O'Connell High School pictured below with (left to right) Orations Chair Larry McKinley, Chapter President Jeff Thomas and teacher Mary Lou Wentzel.



BATTLE OF COWPENS

Chapter President Jeff Thomas and son Justin attended the Battle of Cowpens celebration on January 14th, honoring their ancestor Daniel McJunkin who fought in the battle.



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PROGRAMS



**FAIRFAX RESOLVES
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SUPPORT THE REVOLUTION

Support the cause and your favorite program by joining a Fairfax Resolves committee this year. All chapter members are encouraged to participate in the activities of at least one committee. There is something for everyone. Find the place where you want to be involved.

It's easy. Just review the three committees below and choose the one that's right for you. Then email your preferences to the president@fairfaxresolvessar.org. If there is a specific program within the committee that interests you, include that information too.

Youth Committee - includes the programs and awards for Orations, Essay, Eagle Scout, Outstanding Student and History Day
Public Service Committee includes the programs and awards for Law Enforcement, Fire & EMS, Teacher of the Year, Citizen of the Year and Heroism

Patriotic Committee includes the programs and awards for Veterans, JROTC, Americanism Poster, Brochure and Flags

VIRGINIA'S COLONIAL MILITIA



Glenn F. Williams, Ph.D.

Dr. Glenn Williams, Sr. Historian at the U.S. Army Center for Military History, presented a program on "Virginia's Colonial Militia" as the guest speaker at our chapter meeting on November 17, 2016 at Falcon's Landing.

OUTSTANDING COMPATRIOT

The Fairfax Resolves chapter announces the Outstanding Compatriot program, to recognize Compatriots that demonstrate the participation and engagement of a true blue patriot in carrying out the chapter's programs and activities.

Compatriots will be recognized at three select levels of participation: Defender, Commander and Patriot. Recognition levels will be based on factors that are important to the chapter's overall success, including attendance at chapter meetings and events, serving the chapter as a committee member, committee chair, officer or assistant officer, and participation in historic celebrations, grave markings and SAR conferences. All activities that benefit the chapter will have value, such as serving as a contest judge, attending a Public Service award ceremony, presenting a JROTC medal, providing support for SAR, DAR or CAR initiatives or assisting with Veterans programs.

Look for more information soon but for now, accept the challenge and find ways to support the activities of the chapter.