

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grave Registration – State, Mike Lyman reported that grave registrations at the State level have increased by 325 from last year at this time and now have 3,217 graves located. He said that the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter will be recognized for the most graves registered (41) and will receive four cloth stars.

Orations – Gar Schulin said although the Joseph E. Rumbaugh Oration Contest was placed in two newspapers (The Culpeper Exponent and the Fauquier Democrat) he has received no responses as of this date. However, it is possible that we still could get some responses. Joe Dooley, President VASSAR was at the meeting and told Gar that if he got any responses it was not too late to send them to VASSAR. Gar suggested that Chapter might want to start the process sooner next year in hopes of better results.

OLD BUSINESS

President Dominic Lay reported on the Tri-Chapter (SAR/DAR) Christmas Banquet that was held on Saturday, December 8, 2007 at the Hazel River Inn. He said from all reports the Tri-Chapter Christmas Banquet was a success and everyone seemed to have had a good time. Also, he thanked everyone for their support and stated that the event had been going on for approximately 15 to 20 years now. The Revolutionary War Field Music Unit did an excellent job and everyone enjoyed the music that they played from the Revolutionary War period.

ESSAY PRESENTATION

Adrienne Georgia, a junior from Haymarket, VA gave a very interesting presentation on “The Limits of Government.” Her presentation was based on the Constitution and the “Jeffersonian Principles” regarding “the Limits of Government.” For example, at the beginning of her presentation she pointed out that at the beginning of our Country, the Federal Government was limited to providing three things: (1) Law and Order, (2) National Defense and (3) Delivering the Mail. The Chapter presented her with a SAR Medal and Certificate and a check for \$50.00. A copy of her Essay will be sent to VASSAR to be considered for the state level award in the George & Stella Knight Historical Essay Contest.



Essay Contest: Dominic Lay, Lance Lyngar, Adrienne Georgia, Mrs. Georgia, Paul Bess.



New CMM Officers: John Sinks, Jerry Hubbard, Lance Lyngar, Gar Schulin, Francis Lay, Paul Bess. Joe Dooley, VASSAR Pres. Administering Oath of Office

INSTALLATION OF 2008 CMM OFFICERS

Joseph W. Dooley, President, VASSAR issued the oath of office to the following Officers of the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter:

President – J. Paul Bess, Jr.; **1st Vice President** – Francis Lay; **2nd Vice President** – Gar C. Schulin;
Treasurer – Lance M. Lyngar; **Chaplain** – Jerry Hubbard; **Historian** – John D. Sinks, Ph.D.

President Dooley presented President Bess with the gavel and a President’s neck ribbon as a symbol of his position of authority.