



CULPEPER MINUTE MEN CHAPTER
VIRGINIA SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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Counties of Culpeper, Fauquier, Madison, Orange & Rappahannock.

NEXT CMM CHAPTER MEETING: January 16, 2010 - 11:00 - Chapter meeting with installation of officers at Best Western Culpeper Inn.



PRESIDENTS CORNER: - January 2010

Compatriots and Friends:

The month of December closed with quite a flourish here in the Virginia Piedmont!

We started the month with a very successful "**Wreaths Across America**" program for veterans at the Culpeper National Cemetery. The Culpeper Minute Men Chapter, SAR Color Guard Posted the Colors, and its firing team delivered a three-gun salute. Speeches were given, and wreaths were placed on several hundred veterans graves in the cemetery. Wreaths were also placed in honor of the six uniformed services and the POW/MIA. CMM member Len Cowherd placed the U.S. Marines Memorial Wreath. TAPS was played by the

Bugles Across America state director, Gerry Schuck.

On the same day, December 12th the Fauquier Courthouse NSDAR Chapter hosted the annual DAR/SAR Christmas party at the Inn at Vint Hill. It was a delightful luncheon and the DAR ladies are to be congratulated! They made the former Vint Hill Army Post Officer's Club quite festive.

Our chapter received a very nice Thank You letter from Mr. Joe E. Harris, Executive Director, NSSAR for our chapter's donation of \$670.00 to **The Center for Advancing America's Heritage**. ((See the Fall 2009 Issue of *The SAR Magazine*.) We were the first chapter in Virginia to make a chapter donation. Thank you, Bob Bowen, and thank you Chapter members & spouses.

A good part of the middle of December was spent gathering information to complete the Annual Chapter Report to VASSAR. Many thanks to all of you for the hard work each of you did in helping your president in compiling the report and for all the activities you participated in to make the report look great.

Almost everyone got their wish for a **White Christmas** this year! On the Saturday before Christmas (December 19th) your president and his wife, Carlyn got some 25 inches of snow in their community of Rochelle, VA. It lasted through Christmas Day.

Our best wishes for a healthy and happy 2010.

Charles Francis Lay, President
Culpeper Minute Men Chapter, Virginia Society
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