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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings and all good wishes to each of you near and far. The month of May saw our Chapter advancing its mission and that of the State and National Society in a variety of capacities and events. Thank you again to all of our compatriots, committee members and wives who participated throughout the month and continue to labor diligently on behalf of the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter. I salute all of you.

On 15 May, our membership played a prominent role in the planning and execution of a very moving observance- marked by much pageantry and conviviality- on a spectacular weather day at the Old Providence Presbyterian Church near Raphine, Virginia, to dedicate a memorial plaque honoring twenty-four Revolutionary War Patriots and nineteen War of 1812 Veterans interred in the walled cemetery there. The dedication was led by Myron Lyman, Past-President of the War of 1812 Society in the Commonwealth of Virginia; and Virginia Society S.A.R. President Robert Bowen. This special project represented the cooperation of many and was truly glory enough for one day with half of the Virginia Society S.A.R. Chapters present.

On 22 May, our members attending the Chapter Meeting at the Inn at Kelly's Ford in Remington, Virginia enjoyed the atmosphere of the Fine Dining Room and luncheon menu, and a memorable presentation by Mr. Michael G. Macdonald. An extraordinary American and dear friend who has studied history and lived it, Mr. Macdonald presented items of national significance, including the mourning silk sewn by the family of General Joseph Warren, killed in the June, 1775 Battle of Bunker Hill. Warrenton, Virginia, was named in General Warren's honor.

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Portrait by Ralph Garafola

*"I cannot help it. I must share the fate of my countrymen. I cannot hear the cannon and remain inactive." - Major General Joseph Warren*



### JUNE CULPEPER MINUTE MEN CHAPTER MEETING

On Saturday, June 12th at 10:30 AM, at the Culpeper Minute Men Obelisk on South Main Street in Culpeper, Virginia, we will be performing a service to honor ten of the original members of the Culpeper Minute Men Battalion. Our monthly membership meeting will immediately follow at 11:30 AM at the Best Western Inn, 791 Madison Road, Culpeper, Virginia 22701. Guest speaker Dr. Robert M. Peters will present, "Spanish Louisiana Contributions to the American Revolution."