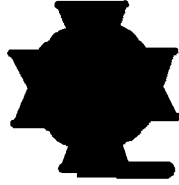


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VASSAR ANNUAL MEETING

The month of February proved to be a major success for the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter as VASSAR acknowledged the many achievements that its diligent compatriots had accomplished!

- * Best Large Chapter 2006 (50 to 74 members)
Chapter Excellence Award
- * History Day Support (March 10, 2006)
- * Best Yearbook 2006
- * "The World Turned Upside Down - Yorktown, 1781-2006 - for participation at Yorktown Celebration in 2006.
- * Revolutionary Grave Marking 2003-2006 - Ribbon and three stars.
- * Program Innovation - for Jim Bayne's publication of over 50 articles on the RW in the Culpeper Star Exponent in 2006.
- * Forgotten Patriots 2006-2007.
- * Flag Award Certificate

Silver Color Guard Medal and Certificate was received by Dominic Lay. John Sinks and Thad Hartman received the President's Certificate; Mike Lyman received the Meritorious Service Medal; Bob Bowen, Ramsey Richardson and Bill Simpson received the Oak Leaf to the

Virginia Society Medal; I recommended the Daughter of Liberty Medal for Beverly Alexander which was awarded to her and Jim Bayne received the Patriot Medal.

Each of the chapter representatives (who did show up) either gave a brief yearly chapter report or referred the members present to the CD they received in their packets. The budget was delivered and the presence of the United States Comptroller was acknowledged which brought a reaction of deference amongst the crowd.

Spirit, creativity and dedication was present as many ideas were brought to roost in the interest of new and exciting projects. Immediately following the business meeting, the essay contest winners presented their orations.

Once again our Chapter maintained its esteemed reputation within VASSAR as the majority of the attendees consisted of the Culpeper Minute Men, COL Fielding Lewis, George Mason, and the Richmond Chapters. Thank you to all that attended! *Reported by Compatriot Allen Brahin.*

CULPEPER MINUTE MEN CHAPTER COLOR GUARD PARTICIPATION AT THE VASSAR ANNUAL MEETING, 17 FEB 2007, Richmond, Virginia.

On Saturday, February 17, 2007, all convention Compatriots gathered at the historic St. Johns Church, built in 1741, and site of the Second Virginia Convention, 1775, whereat Patrick Henry uttered the famous patriotic challenge – "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death". The purpose of the gathering was to recognize VASSAR chapters for excellence and to dedicate a monument to the numerous Revolutionary War soldiers who are buried at the cemetery on the church grounds.

Culpeper Minutemen serving in the Color Guard at the St. Johns Church dedication were Francis Lay and Dominic Lay, Color Bearers, Lon Lacey, Jr., Rifleman, and Field Music by Alan Lacey, Fifer and Lon Lacey, III, Drummer. Andrew Johnson commanded the Color Guard.