



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

## “MUSTER CALL”

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

**NEXT CMM CHAPTER MEETING:** Saturday, May 16, 2009, 11:30 am, Best Western, Culpeper Inn, Culpeper, VA. The speaker will be CMM 1st Vice President Gar Schulin. Subject of his presentation is "Writings and Wisdom of Thomas Jefferson."

### **PRESIDENTS CORNER:**



April was a beautiful month for those of us living in the Central Piedmont area of Virginia. We had enough rain to produce a spectacular array of color in our flowering trees and shrubs and in our daffodils and tulips.

Our Chapter members were involved in activities that proudly reflected our Revolutionary heritage.

The **Six Chapter SAR Meeting** at Graves Mountain Lodge, April 18, 2009, was very successful with 46 members, wives and guests in attendance. We were very proud to have our Dual Member from Houston, Texan with us. Later in this issue of the *Muster Call* you will read of the presentation **The Revolution in Virginia** by VASSAR President William L. Simpson, Jr. Very interesting and very

informative! James Graves, Co-owner of the Graves Mountain Lodge, shared the history of his family's development of the farm and the Lodge from pre-Revolutionary War times to the present.

Your Color Guard Commander, Lon Lacey, Jr., Jim Bayne, Larry Alexander, myself, and newly uniformed Don Jennings posted the Colors for the opening event of the celebration of the **250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Town of Culpeper** on Friday night, April 25<sup>th</sup>. Members Lance Lyngar & Jake Lay joined us for the opening.

Lon Lacey, Jr., Larry Alexander, Lon Lacey, III, Gil Hocker (potential member & flautist), Paul & Monica Bess, and myself represented the chapter at **Remembrance Days Saturday & Sunday, April 25 & 26**, in presenting information about SAR, the Chapter, & Weapons use in the Rev. War. The Event was held at the Culpeper Museum of Living History.

Your president encourages each member to recruit at least one relative or friend to become a member of the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter during the year 2009. You'll be proud to know that our late member James Dominic Lay's sons James Dominic Lay, Jr. and Loren Edward Lay's applications are being submitted this month. They told Dominic that they were going to join just before he passed away.

Thanks to each one of you for being a regular member of our chapter, the best Chapter in VASSAR & NSSAR!