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**NEXT CMM CHAPTER MEETING:** Saturday, November 21, 2009, 11:30 a.m. - Best Western, Culpeper Inn. This is our Chapter award meeting. Immediate after the meeting we will proceed to Fairview Cemetery to mark the grave of Colonel Colvin a long time member of the chapter.



### **PRESIDENTS CORNER:** - November 2009

Our core membership is to be commended for their participation in SAR and Civic events in late September and October! The CMM Color Guard and Fife and Drum section led the Parade for the annual **Warrenton/Fauquier County Heritage Day** in Warrenton, VA. Members and wives also participated as did the DAR. We showed our colors and played our music at the restored late 1700's **Chapman's Mill** and at the **Buckland Farm of Buckland**, a “Jamestown” like town in Fauquier County. The owner of the farm, David Blake is a prospective member of the Chapter. Something he is going to pursue as soon as he and his group get Buckland well on its way to

restoration.

The regular CMM Chapter meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup> was our **civic awards meeting**. Police, Fire, and EMS members were honored: Master Deputy Kiline D. Madison of the Culpeper County Sheriff's department was present and honored. A member of the County Rescue Squad and the Fire Department were honored in absentia as they were on duty! Monica Bess, wife of Past President and Registrar Paul Bess was presented with the Teacher of the Year Award.

Following the meeting, a **Grave Marking Ceremony was held for Claude J. Guinn**, the last surviving founding Charter Member (The chapter was chartered in 1974.) was held at the Masonic Cemetery on the northern side of the Town of Culpeper.

Four members of our Color Guard, led by Lon Lacey, Color Guard Commander, had the honor of posting the Colors for the monthly meeting of the **Culpeper County Chamber of Commerce**. Leadership was the topic of the meeting and Chamber President Jim Chirapich, wearing deceased CMM member Dominic Lay's Rev. War Uniform, emphasized that it was the **Culpeper Minute Men Battalion** militia, formed in 1775 that provide some of the first leadership in the war for independence!