



The Magazine

Williamsburg Chapter

Virginia Society

Sons of the American Revolution



By signing the Declaration of Independence, the fifty-six Americans pledged their lives, fortunes, and sacred honor. Nine died of wounds during the Revolutionary War, five were captured or imprisoned. Wives and children were jailed, mistreated, or left penniless. Twelve signer's houses were burned to the ground. No signer defected. Their honor, like their nation remained intact.

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Plaque Dedication Edition

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Compatriots,

The May 4th dedication of the patriot plaque we had installed in Bruton Parish Church was a resounding success. We received many positive comments from SAR and other guest attendees from around the state. That said, we had a lot of photos so we thought a special edition of the "The Magazine" would be in order.

The plaque was dedicated to those patriots buried at Bruton Parish namely Captain David Mead Randolph, Edmund Pendleton and John Blair. Randolph was a captain in the 1st Virginia Regiment. Pendleton, among many other things, was a member of the Continental Congress and President of the 1788 Virginia Ratification Convention. Blair was a Virginia delegate to the Constitutional Convention and is one of three Virginia Signers of the U.S. Constitution.

There were four clergy participating in the service; Bruton Rector Chris Epperson, Williamsburg SAR Chaplain Rev. Jim Henry, Williamsburg Chaplain Emeritus Rev. Ed Morgan and VASSAR Chaplain Rev. Canon Howell Sasser. Shown below is Rev. Epperson welcoming all to Bruton Parish Church.



(L-R) Rev. Epperson, Rev. Henry and Rev. Morgan.

"The Plaque"



On behalf of the Williamsburg SAR Chapter, Ed Truslow offered a welcome to all in attendance.



Past VASSAR President and National Trustee Henry "Phil" Williams presided over the dedication ceremony.



NSSAR Secretary General Joseph Dooley brought greetings on behalf of the National Society.



The VASSAR Color Guard



NSSAR National Trustee Mark Brennan brought greetings from the National Society.



Williamsburg Mayor Clyde Haulman brought greetings from the City of Williamsburg



VASSAR President Kent Webber brought greetings on behalf of the Virginia Society.



V.S.C.A.R. Librarian Emily Elston brought greetings from the Virginia Society of the Children of the American Revolution.



(L-R) Joe Dooley, Emily Elston, Ken Wood, Reverdy Wright, Jane Stewart, Phil Williams, Jack Lee, Ed Truslow, Mark Brennan, Bill Broadus and Kent Webber



Williamsburg DAR Regent Jane Stewart brought greetings from our local DAR Chapter



(L-R) George Corbett, Bill Schwetke, Reverdy Wright, Bill Broadus, Kent Webber, Joe Dooley, Ken Wood, Phil Williams, Jane Stewart, Emily Elston, Ed Truslow, Tom Whetstone and Mike Elston



Rev. Henry and VASSAR President Webber dedicating the plaque.



(L-R) Fran Pons, Senior President of the George Wythe Chapter C.A.R. and Madison Pons President of the George Wythe Chapter C.A.R.



(L-R) Russ White, Ron Losee and Nan Losee



(L-R) Emily and Mike Elston



(L-R) Emily Elston and Larry McKinley



(L-R) Jane Stewart and Ed Truslow



(L-R) Madison, Fran and Meredith Pons



(L-R) Russell Johnson, Jerry Traver, Alice Traver and Alan Morledge



(L-R) Larry McKinley, Chris Melhulish, Pete Davenport and Jeff Brown

“The Whole Gang”



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