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Mar. 8 Meeting Call 5-6



Speaker at October, 2014
Meeting: Marc Wheat



New members inducted at October,
2014 Meeting: (L to R) Sandra Etsy,
Suzanne Townsend, Barbara Joyner

Membership

Please welcome our new members
(admitted since last newsletter):

Patricia Ann Poland Clark
Pamela J. Poland Draper
Constance Lee Harter
Ann Ella Pell Jordan

Evelyn Faye Pell
Newell Franklin Pell
Lucy Irene Pell Poland
Ruth Etta Pell Stinson
Marjorie Pell Marcus

Proposed Branch Officer Slate for 2015-17 Term from Nominating Committee

Governor– Virginia Rouse
1st Deputy Governor– Stuart Whitehead
2nd Deputy Governor-Charles “Chuck” Poland
Recording Secretary-Helen Warren
Corresponding Secretary-Jennifer Smith
Treasurer-Owen Jacobs
Registrar-Donna Hall
Historian-Paul Walden
Elder-Donna Hubner

From the Branch Governor , Paul Walden

As my term as Branch Governor comes to a close, I wanted to thank all of you for your support. In the past two years, our branch has regularly had a good turnout (over 20) at our semi-annual meetings. Our membership rolls have reached 100 for the first time. We now have a presence on the web. This was possible as a result of everyone's teamwork.

I was honored to represent our Branch at a Historic Gala hosted by the Prince William Resolves Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, this past fall.

Many of us belong to other lineage societies. Have you told your fellow members in these other societies about the NSSDP? That is a good opportunity to introduce people to our society. As Registrar for another lineage society, I have suggested NSSDP to members whom I knew were qualified and as a result, we have had at least two members join based on that connection. So, please spread the word!

Thanks again for the honor in serving as your Branch Governor, and I hope to be able to continue to serve the Society in the future.

In Pilgrim's Spirit,

Paul Walden

Virginia Branch Officers for 2013-15

Governor: Paul Walden
1st Deputy Governor: Virginia Rouse
2nd Deputy Governor: Penny Chaboudy
Recording Secretary: Donna Hall
Corresponding Secretary: Owen Jacobs
Historian: Constance Paradiso
Treasurer: Courtenay Stanley
Registrar: Anne H. Winn
Elder: Lila Housden
Parliamentarian: Helen Warren

Virginia Branch NSSDP Represented at DAR Historical Gala in October

Virginia Branch Governor Paul Walden was honored to be asked by the Prince William Resolves Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, to represent NSSDP at their Historic Gala on 25 Oct 2014 at the Westminster at Lake Ridge. The proceeds benefited the DAR Schools. Approximately fifteen lineage societies were present and each gave a briefing on the history and goals of their respective organizations. It also gave us the opportunity to distribute literature about our society. Finally, it was a lot of fun as well. Your branch governor even won a raffle! Fellow Pilgrim Virginia Rouse was there to represent the National Huguenot Society of Virginia.



In Memoriam: Henry Carroll Pusey

Mr. Henry Carroll Pusey, born October 13, 1927 in Seaford, Delaware, son of Samuel E. Pusey and Agnes May Giles Pusey, passed away on December 11, 2014 in Winchester, Virginia. He is predeceased by his wife, Sallie Cummings Pusey. He has four daughters: Cheryle Pusey Grier of Four Oakes, NC, Pamela L. Pusey and Diane Pusey Ball of Manassas, VA, and Sandra Pusey Encinias of Ashburn, VA; three grandsons, Raymond and Mark Bryant of Zephyr Hills, FL, and Michael Encinias of Ashburn, VA; four granddaughters, Connie Bryant McGann of Benson, NC, Elizabeth and Samantha Ball of Manassas, VA and Melissa Encinias of Ashburn, VA; three stepsons, Robert Houston White of Medford, Ma, Bruce Edward White of NJ, and Jay Michael White of Linden, VA; four greatgrandchildren, Amanda McGann, David McGann, Jr. and Brian McGann of Benson, NC, and Austin Bryant of Zephyr Hills, FL; two stepgrandsons and three step great grandsons.

Mr. Pusey graduated with honors in 1946 from Milford High School in Milford, Delaware. He was a [WWI](#) veteran with service at the Nuremberg War Crimes Trials. He graduated from Randolph Macon College in 1952 with a BS in Physics; he was elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa. He was a Federal Employee in the Department of Defense for nearly 32 years, retiring in 1983 as Director of the Shock and Vibration Information Center at the U. S. Naval Research Laboratory. From 1983 until near the time of his death, he worked as an independent consultant in varied, but related, technical fields. In 1990 he became the Executive Director of the Society of Machinery Failure Prevention Technology (MFPT) with his wife, Sallie, as Office Manager until their retirement in 2006. In 1983 Henry was a principal organizer of the fiveday technical course on "Practical Shock Analysis and Design"; the course was very popular and was still being given in 2014. During his professional career he received numerous honors and awards. Most notably, the "Henry Pusey Award" was established in his honor to be presented for the "Best Paper" at the annual Shock and Vibration Symposia. Upon their retirement from the MFPT Society in 2006, Henry and his wife, Sallie received several Honors and Awards; the most notable were the establishment of the Henry and Sallie Pusey Best Paper Award to be presented at each Annual Meeting of the Society and the Proclamation by the Mayor of Virginia Beach designating April 4, 2006 as Henry and Sallie Pusey Day in that city. Henry and his wife, Sallie enjoyed working on family history. He was able to trace several of his ancestral lines to the 17th century and beyond. He was a member of the Virginia Society's Colonel James Wood, Jr. Chapter of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution and the National Society, Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims. He is interred at Shenandoah Memorial Park, Frederick County, VA.



Spring Meeting Call: 8 March 2015

Menu

First Course: Butternut squash bisque sprinkled with toasted pumpkin seeds

Entrée: Lemon-thyme roasted chicken breast atop mesclun greens tossed in champagne vinaigrette, with grilled vegetables and roasted tomatoes

Dessert: Warm apple pie a la mode

Coffee, tea, lemonade

