

II. General Meeting of the Society

The meeting was called to order by President-General DeForest on Saturday, February 15, 1975 at the Governor Morris Inn in Morristown.

First Vice President-General Pyne gave the prayer of the Society and then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary-General Wood read the minutes from the previous meeting which were approved with two corrections.

Treasurer-General Hopkinson reported that interest on the Scholarship Fund was approximately \$1,000.00 and that revenues for the period of May 1, 1974 thru February 10, 1975 exceeded expenditures by \$4,800.00, that the Scholarship Fund balance was \$17,000.00 and the total balance was \$32,300.00 of which \$4,300.00 represents the Plaque fund. He further reported that there are only \$500.00 worth of unfulfilled pledges toward the Bicentennial Plaque fund. Mr. Hopkinson also noted that the Board's 1973 tax return was audited without apparent problems.

Registrar-General Kalbfleisch reported 7 new Seniors, 12 new Juniors, 1 reinstatement and 3 deaths resulting in a total of 618 Seniors and 264 Junior members.

President-General DeForest reported that she has been invited to attend the DAR Continental Congress held in Washington and will be an honored guest in the procession.

Bi-Centennial Committee Chairman Goodsell reported that the Patriots Ball was cancelled but that another ball may be scheduled in conjunction with New York's 350th anniversary celebration.

Mr. Goodsell also reported that funds were received toward the Bicentennial Plaque as a result of the sale of a painting by Thomas Poole. In addition further contributions were received from four societies for whom Mr. Goodsell gave his slide presentation.

Mr. Goodsell further reported that the use of Anderson House for a Society dinner is complicated by certain regulations, which, however may be waived during the 1976 Bicentennial Celebration.

It was announced that the Annual Congress will be the 17th of May, 1975.

Gabrille Bielenstein, Governor for New York reported that the New York Society is making a slide program in conjunction with the Colonial Dames on the life of William Floyd. She further reported on other activities of the New York Society including teas, slide presentations and parties in costume both in New York and Washington, happily resulting in increased membership. The New York Society received a Certificate from the New York Bicentennial Corporation for outstanding contribution to their work.

Historian-General Coley suggested that an album be maintained of pictures of meetings and requested that any one having pictures of past meetings, please submit them to her with their name and date and place of the picture.

Governor for Pennsylvania, William Ward reported briefly that arrangements were progressing for the Pennsylvania Bi-Centennial celebration.

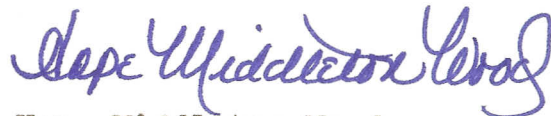
It was reported that the Virginia Society celebrated Benjamin Harrison's birthday with a lovely party held at Harrison's home, Berkley Plantation.

Mr. Axford told of a request by retired Marine Colonel Hammond, a resident of the Hart homestead, for publisher for a biography which he has written of John Hart.

Second Vice President- General Brinker announced that the Fall meeting will be held October 11th and 12th in Lexington-Concord and extended an invitation for all present to attend.

The meeting was adjourned by President-General DeForest.

Respectfully Submitted



Hope Middleton Wood

DESCENDANTS OF THE SIGNERS OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, INC.

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period 5/1/74 to 2/10/75

REVENUES:

Dues and Fees			\$4,449.00
Interest	- General Fund	\$160.16	
	Yearbook Fund	88.17	
	Scholarship Fund	990.22	
	Bi-Centennial Fund	<u>200.98</u>	1,439.53
Contributions	- Scholarship Fund	\$ 180.00	
	Bi-Centennial Fund	<u>2,143.00</u>	2,323.00
Miscellaneous			<u>2.00</u>
Total Revenues			<u>\$8,213.53</u>

EXPENDITURES:

Meetings - Philadelphia 1974	- Expense	\$1,057.30		
	Income	996.00	\$ 61.30	
Meetings - Winston-Salem 1974	- Expense	<u>\$842.25</u>		
	Income	<u>913.50</u>	(71.25)	\$ (9.95)
Printing				1,345.06
Postage				245.49
Certificates				220.05
Scholarship				900.00
Contributions				75.00
Bulletin				289.34
Yearbook				<u>400.48</u>
Total Expenditures				<u>\$3,465.47</u>

EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES

\$4,748.06

Fund Balances as of February 10, 1975

	<u>General</u>	<u>Yearbook</u>	<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Bi-Cen.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance as of 4/30/74	\$8,642.74	\$ 190.54	\$16,703.80	\$2,028.00	\$27,565.08
Increase or (decrease)	<u>622.65</u>	<u>1,511.21</u>	<u>270.22</u>	<u>2,343.98</u>	<u>4,748.06</u>
Balance as of 2/10/75	<u>\$9,265.39</u>	<u>\$1,701.75</u>	<u>\$16,974.02</u>	<u>\$4,371.98</u>	<u>\$32,313.14</u>

FUND ASSETS:

Checking Account	\$6,174.78	-	-	\$ 257.50	\$ 6,432.28
Savings Accounts	3,090.61	\$1,701.75	\$ 6,974.02	115.15	11,881.53
Bank Certificate	-	-	-	3,999.33	3,999.33
Utility Bond	-	-	10,000.00	-	10,000.00
Total Assets	<u>\$9,265.39</u>	<u>\$1,701.75</u>	<u>\$16,974.02</u>	<u>\$4,371.98</u>	<u>\$32,313.14</u>

On December 13, 1974, an audit of our Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, for 1973 (our fiscal year ended April 30, 1974) was conducted at my apartment by Revenue Agent William J. McIntyre III. The agent spent almost three hours on the audit, which included a detailed examination of all the books and records including the minutes of meetings. The agent requested that I supply him copies of our Certificate of Incorporation, our Constitution and By-Laws, and the amendments from the minutes of the May 1973 meeting. I sent all of these to him by mail. The audit was amicable and the agent advised me that I would get a written report by mail in due course. To date I have not received this.

James Paul Hopkinson

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Treasurer-General

February 11, 1975

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S REPORT

February 15, 1975

Senior Members

1616	Susan Powers Urstadt (Mrs. James Jeffrey Urstadt) 125 East 84th Street, New York, N.Y., 10028	Francis Hopkinson
1617	Corbin Braxton 1610 Harbert Ave., Memphis, Tennessee 38104	Carter Braxton
1618	Elisabeth Wainwright Bull Wolf (Mrs. Theodore Rudolph Wolf) 401 Goodspeed Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23451	Benjamin Franklin
1619	Richard Rodney Cooch 12 East Third Street, New Castle, Delaware 19720	George Read
1620	Daniel Baugh Brewster Glyndon, Maryland 21071	Benjamin Franklin
1621	Elizabeth Wight Edmunds Grinnan (Mrs. St. George Tucker Grinnan III) 36 Allen Avenue (P.O. box 192) Ross, California 94957	Benjamin Harrison, V.
1622	Ned Watkins Heyward 3205 Wynn Drive, Avondale Estates, Georgia 30002	Thomas Heyward, Jr.

7 New SeniorsJunior Members

726	Kimberly Catherine Wallace 1200 Marshall Lane, Waldorf, Maryland, 20601 Sr. #1128	John Morton b. 6-29-63
727	Theodore Robert Wallace, Jr. 1200 Marshall Lane, Waldorf, Maryland, 20601 Sr. #1128	John Morton b. 12-29-64
728	Cynthia Sarah Wallace 1200 Marshall Lane, Waldorf, Maryland, 20601 Sr. #1128	John Morton b. 5-2-66
729	Erick Calvin Wallace 1200 Marshall Lane Waldorf, Maryland, 20601 Sr. #1128	John Morton b. 2-12-68

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Junior Members (continued)

730	Stephanie Morton Wallace 1200 Marshall Lane Waldorf, Maryland, 20601 Sr. #1128	John Morton b. 10-5-70
731	Graham Manvel Brush III 232 russell Road, Princeton, New Jersey 08540 Sr. #1150	Philip Livingston b. 10-2-59
732	Jonathan Hartwell Brush 232 russell Road, Princeton, New Jersey 08540 Sr. #1150	Philip Livingston b. 5-5-62
733	Stephen Morrison Ulman Box 279, Cove Neck road, Oyster Bay, Long Island, 11771 b. 5-24-66	Philip Livingston
734	Louise Dabney Grinnan 36 Allen Ave., or P.O. 192, Ross, California 94957 Sr. #1508	Benjamin Harrison V b. 5-7-61
735	St. George Tucker Grinnan 36 Allen Ave., or P.O. 192, Ross, California 94957 Sr. #1508	Benjamin Harrison V b. 2-24-66
736	Thomas Randolph Grinnan 36 Allen Ave., or P.O. 192, Ross, California 94957 Sr. #1508	Benjamin Harrison V b. 2-1-68
737	Sarah Berkeley Grinnan 36 Allen Ave., or P.O. 192, Ross, California 94957 Sr. #1508	Benjamin Harrison V b. 6-2-70

12 New Juniors

Reinstatement Members

#1435	William Lowndes Wilson 4715 Pocahontas Avenue, Richmond, va., 23226	John Hart
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