



# Maryland Society, Sons of the American Revolution

Organized 20 April 1889

## Westminster Chapter

Chartered 9 March 1985

Serving Carroll County Maryland



### ***Report for 2021 State Annual Meeting Period from 10 January 2021 through 23 April 2021***

The Chapter continued to remain active even in the face of the continuing Covid-19 shutdown.

#### **Publicity**

There were no articles published in the local newspapers over this period.

The chapter published the Winter 2020/2021 issue of our newsletter, *The Westminster Associator*, on 19 March 2021. In addition we have been sending out an adjunct to the newsletter called *The Broadsheet*, sent as a monthly e-mail around the first of each month, showing one line summaries of what happened the previous month, as well as what is happening that month and in the two months that follow the current month. The idea is to give plenty of heads up to members about what is coming up so that they can plan accordingly (deadlines are also listed). One line entries in *The Broadsheet* are then expanded into articles for the next issue of the chapter newsletter. The chapter website was transitioned by the state assistant webmaster is up and running again.

#### **Educational and Youth Outreach Programs**

The Chapter decided that arranging for a location or doing the orations competition virtually was too much of a challenge this year, besides there being no competitor for the chapter in the Rumbaugh Orations Contest.

The chapter has started organizing for the Outstanding Citizenship Awards made each year to a graduating senior at each public and private school in Carroll County. So far, we have heard from nine of the 10 schools, and five have identified their recipient. Awards will start toward the end of May, and currently all the schools are planning a version of in person presentations.

The ROTC recipient has been identified, and we are working on making an in-person presentation. For the first time in a decade, we have a JROTC candidate; he has also written an essay for the Enhanced program and we are awaiting word on how he fared in state judging.

#### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee continues to meet in a monthly teleconference. Discussions have included status review and planning for upcoming meetings and events.

#### **Spring Meeting**

The chapter attempted a hybrid in-person/ZOOM meeting on 14 March 2021 at *O'Lordan's Irish Pub* in Westminster and via ZOOM. The new officer slate was announced and voted upon. State President Gene Moyer installed the new officers who were in attendance. He also inducted a new member for the chapter. The chapter officers following the meeting are:

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- PRESIDENT: James F. Engler, Sr.
- VICE PRESIDENT: Charles D. Zimmerman
- SECRETARY: Timothy D. Dioquino
- TREASURER: Philip J. Engler
- REGISTRAR: James F. Engler, Sr.
- CHAPLIN: Alexander C. Bracy
- IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT: Steven E. Gemeny
- BOARD OF MANAGERS, CLASS OF 2019-2022: Philip J. Engler
- BOARD OF MANAGERS, CLASS OF 2019-2022: John Laycock
- BOARD OF MANAGERS, CLASS OF 2020-2023: Richard A. Engler
- BOARD OF MANAGERS, CLASS OF 2020-2023: Christopher M. Engler
- BOARD OF MANAGERS, CLASS OF 2021-2024: David J. Callaway
- BOARD OF MANAGERS, CLASS OF 2021-2024: VACANT



*The officers of the Westminster Chapter for 2021-2022 were elected and sworn in at our Spring 2021 meeting (shown above, left to right, Steve Gemeny, Tim Dioquino, Jim Engler, Charlie Zimmerman, and Dave Callaway):*

### State and National Activities

The Chapter submitted its 2020 Americanism Score Sheet on time in March. The chapter's Immediate Past President Jim Engler attend virtually the MDSSAR State Board Meeting on 09 January 2021. He also attended virtually a number of national committee meetings and the Spring Leadership Meeting via ZOOM on 06 March 2021. Engler also attended in person the NSSAR Special Congress in Chantilly, VA on 13 March 2021.

### Membership

During the period, one new member was inducted at the Spring Chapter Meeting, Dave Callaway of Sykesville. On 29 March 2021, President Engler inducted a second new member, Bruce Fusselbaugh was inducted at the new compatriot's home; a third new member, Bruce's son Matthew, currently on duty with the Navy in Washington State, will be inducted at a later date.

Respectfully Submitted,  
James F. Engler, Sr.  
President, Westminster Chapter