



# JAMESTOWNE SOCIETY FIRST MARYLAND COMPANY

Newsletter Spring 2022

**Join US!**

FIRST MARYLAND COMPANY  
SPRING LUNCHEON MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022 11:30AM**

Guest speaker, Bonnie Hofmeyer, Executive Director, Jamestowne Society will report on our Society's Spring Meeting and the current needs of the Society, including the Wingo Fund.

MAGGIANO'S IITTLE ITALY RESTAURANT, ANNAPOLIS MALL, ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND  
REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, MAY, 6, 2022

## MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

First Maryland Company members live in areas as diverse as the Eastern Shore of Maryland and South Central Pennsylvania. In an effort to increase opportunities to get to know each other, we are including introductions of our newest members. Check out the member directory to see if you live near other members! We have a lot in common, in addition to ancestors who bravely settled the Jamestown area.



*In 2019, during Carnivale, the city of Rio de Janeiro was vibrant with festive energy, and in the backdrop one could marvel at the iconic mountains known as "the two brothers."*

Photo by Erika L. Forsythe, member, JS and First Maryland Company  
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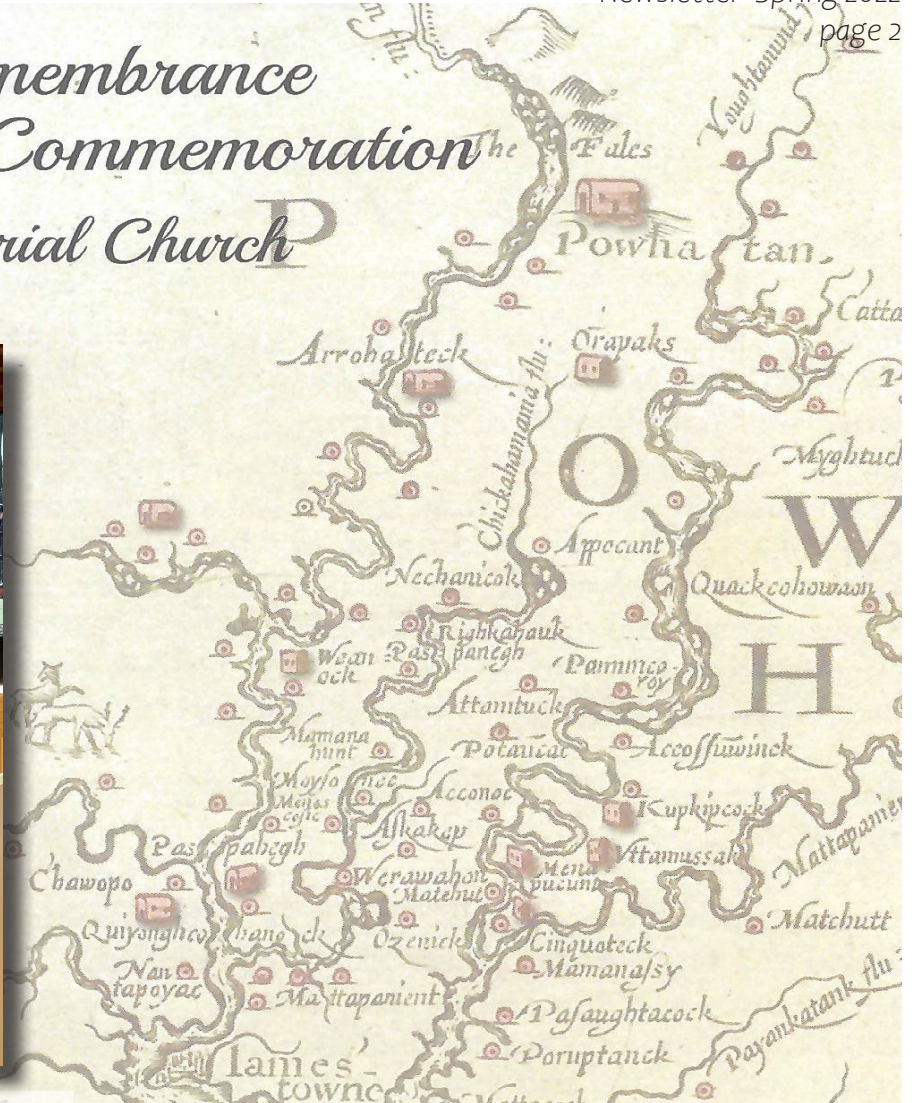
# A Time for Remembrance 1622 Solemn Commemoration

## Jamestown Memorial Church

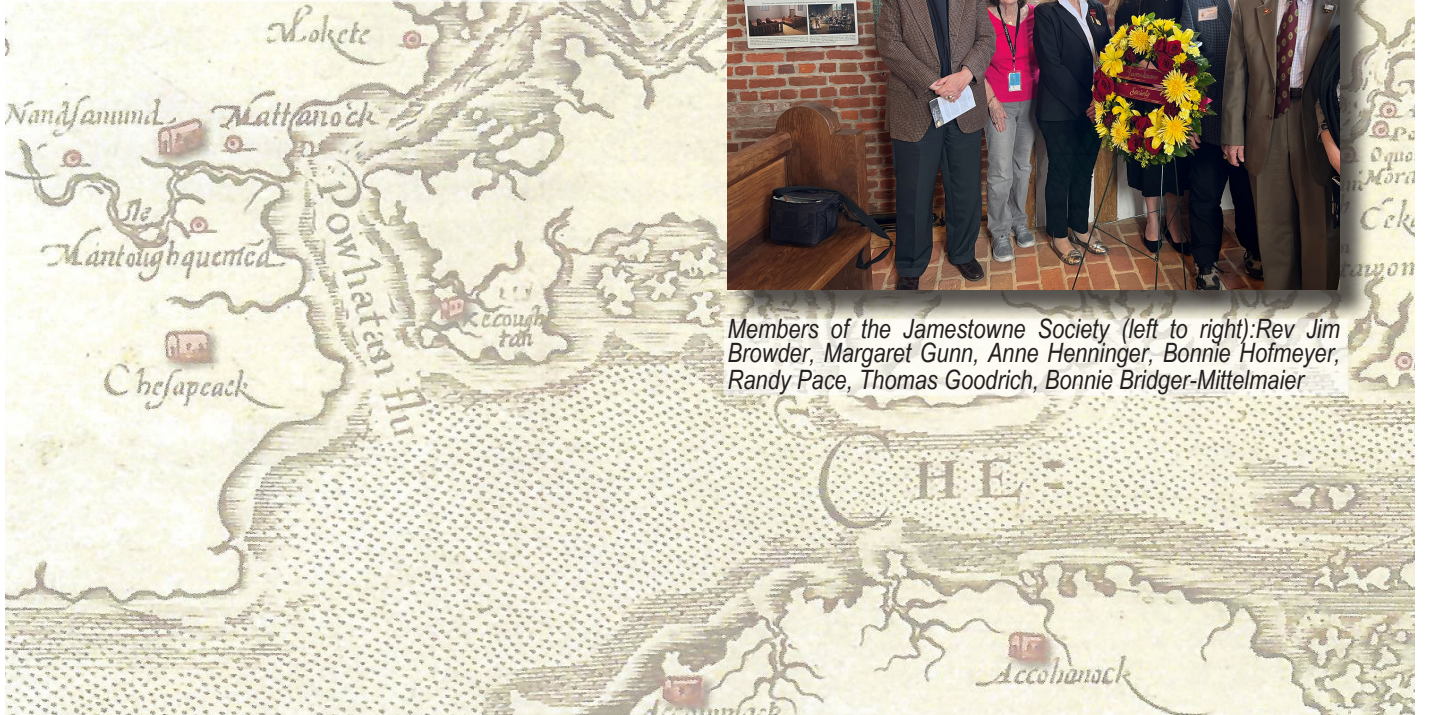
March 22, 2022



Chief Brown of Cheroenhaka Nottoway Indian Tribe, Chiefs of the Nansemond, Patowomeck, and Nottoway Tribes during the Eagle Feather Ceremony, March 22, 2022.



Members of the Jamestown Society (left to right): Rev Jim Browder, Margaret Gunn, Anne Henninger, Bonnie Hofmeyer, Randy Pace, Thomas Goodrich, Bonnie Bridger-Mittelmaier



## Remembering 1622

*submitted by Anne Henninger*

Some years ago, on a bitter December day, my family and I made a trip to Carter's Grove. At that time, the site was owned by Colonial Williamsburg and included an archeology museum and access to the site of Wolstenholme Towne. That trip was the first I'd heard of what was then termed the "Massacre" of 1622. I've since learned a great deal more about both Jamestowne and the 1622 uprising and, when I learned about the commemorative programme "A Time for Remembrance" at Historic Jamestowne on the 22nd March, I signed up.

The Commemoration was held in the Jamestown Memorial Church, filled to standing room only, and began at noon with the ringing of the Jamestown Bell. James Horn, President of Jamestown Rediscovery, opened the program and welcomed guests representing the First Peoples, the Pace Society of America, Jamestowne Society, as well as members of the general public. Following his brief remarks, Dr. Horn introduced Mark Summers, Director of Public and Youth Programs, who discussed why the conflict happened and the results of it. (See his extensive article on this topic in the Spring 2022 edition of the Jamestowne Society Magazine.) He was followed by David Givens, Director of Archeology, who highlighted some of the significant archeological findings at Jamestown as well as various initiatives Jamestown Rediscovery is exploring.

Following these presentations, Bonnie Hofmeyer laid a wreath on behalf of the Jamestowne Society. At the conclusion of the programme, Chiefs of the Nansemond, Patawomeck, and Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Tribes participated in the Eagle Feather Ceremony, and Chief Brown of the Nottoway explained its significance. Attendees then had an opportunity to mingle and pose questions to the presenters.

I was very fortunate in that Bonnie Hofmeyer offered me an opportunity to visit the new Jamestowne Society Headquarters the following morning. It was an interesting finale to a memorable two days.

### Put a Name with a Face!

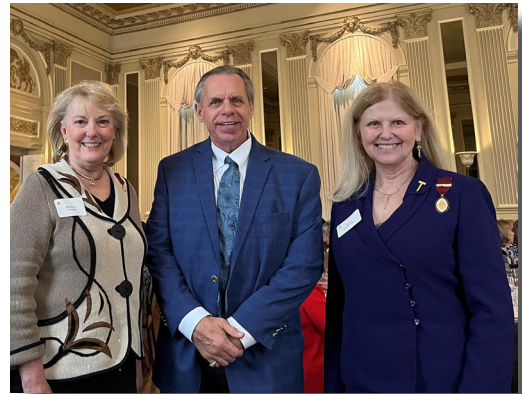
Our new name tags will be distributed at the May 18 luncheon in Annapolis! We sold 17 name tags and hope to have a second order in the near future. Name tags without the JS Insignia may be ordered for spouses and non members as well. Price is \$15.00. The name tags have a magnetic back and are 1 x 3 inches. Tags can be mailed to members for an added charge of \$3.00 to cover postage.

## First Maryland Company Gathering prior to the Williamsburg JS Meeting Saturday, May 14, 2022

Grab your favorite beverage and meet us for a brief social prior to the luncheon on Saturday! Look for a small (very small) Maryland State Flag being waved by someone in our group! Hopefully, the weather will be nice and we can meet on the outside deck. Contact any of the First Maryland officers and let us know if you are planning to attend!



*Fall meeting 2021 Annapolis, MD*



*First Maryland Members who attended the Fall 2021 Jamestowne Society Meeting, Richmond, VA*

## GOVERNOR'S CORNER

Despite the pandemic, we continue to grow! Are you as excited as I am to see in this newsletter the bio-sketches of our four newest members? I hope you take time to meet them and make each feel welcome. Perhaps you'll find that you share some common interest or background with one or more of them. I did with Bob Lumsden, who federal career was as a research scientist at the Beltsville, MD research center of USDA's Agricultural Research Service (ARS). I too worked for ARS in Beltsville—but only for a few years—and am looking forward to talking with him. Ours is a small world!

Are you attending our Society's National May meeting in Williamsburg? I hope to see you there! If you are attending, would you let Anne Henninger, Becky Myers, or me know by e-mail? On the morning of Saturday, May 14, before the Society's program begins, we will have a First Maryland fellowship time on the porch or lawn outside the Kingsmill Conference building. Knowing how many of us are there will help determine where we meet. Look for

a small Maryland flag and some familiar faces that morning! Grab your favorite beverage and meet us at the flag.

The May Jamestowne Society meeting should be fun and instructive. It will be nice to walk again around Jamestowne island with people who share a historic family bond with that place. It will be nice to learn what's being done to increase knowledge of the settlement and improve how it is presented to visitors. And it should be gratifying to learn how Jamestowne Society is helping with that work. We should all be proud of our Society's work and the role First Maryland Company is playing.

As you know, our Company's Spring meeting will be in Annapolis on May 18, shortly after the National May meeting. Jamestowne Society's executive director, Bonnie Hofmeyer, is our speaker. If you haven't already signed up, please do soon. Reservations must be received by Friday, May 6.

Before closing, I have a couple of administrative

matters. First, while it's still early in the year, we need to think about company elections, which will be held in November. We need a Nominating Committee to offer a slate. We follow a modified version of our Society's approach to establish this committee. Following Society procedure, our committee is comprised of the current governor, lieutenant governor, and past governors. Our company modification is to add two company members chosen by the governor.

If you would like to serve on this committee, which will provide a slate of officers for election in November, please e-mail me. My goal is to name the additional members by May 31.

Second, we need an auditing committee to audit the Treasurer's books. I would like three people to serve and would like the audit performed in October and results reported at our Annual Business Meeting in November. Please e-mail me if you would help with this.

As we continue to return to "normal," I look forward to more opportunities to see all of you. Even though our company's service area is quite wide, perhaps we can manage additional gathering opportunities during the year. I'd love to hear suggestions from you.

*Harry*

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Our Company Website  
<http://firstmarylandcompany-jamestownesociety.org>

## **Jamestowne Society Book Club**

For more information and to register, contact

[jamestownsocietybookclub@gmail.com](mailto:jamestownsocietybookclub@gmail.com)

If many members are interested, additional book club groups will be formed to keep meeting size small and allow for participation from all.

## **Other Activities Conducted By Our National Society**

Over 100 new lines have been added to the Lineage Paper Project. This is where applicants and members can purchase someone's approved application and rely on it for generations in common. Click on the link below to visit this page-

<http://www.jamestowne.org/lineage-paper-project.html>

## **~ SAVE THE DATES~**

### **Spring Membership Meeting**

**May 12-14, 2022**

**Kingsmill Resort, Williamsburg, VA**

**First Maryland get-together prior to the meeting on Saturday. Look for the Maryland Flag!**

### **Fall Meeting in Richmond**

**Registration forms are added to the website on January 2 for Spring Events and July 1 for Fall Events.**

**Do not wait for your magazine to arrive to register.**

