

## JAMESTOWNE SOCIETY FIRST MARYLAND COMPANY

FALL 2020 NEWSLETTER

## ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING TO BE HELD VIA ZOOM

Mark your calendars now for the 2020 First Maryland Company Annual Business Meeting which will be held virtually, due to the Coronovirus Pandemic. The meeting will be on Friday, November 13, 2020 at 3:30PM. Members will be receiving an email reminder closer to the meeting date. The information to log on to the meeting is as follows:

Friday, Nov 13, 2020 3:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

https://uso4web.zoom.us/j/76405034047?pwd =RVdlcjNudU1sQTNVaU56Y3drVEtFUT09

Meeting ID: 764 0503 4047

Passcode: n7gFPo

### FIRST MARYLAND COMPANY

Dues of \$20.00 for 2020-21 were due by November 9, 2020.

The dues pay for postage, web presence, checking account service fees and help the Company function. Thank you to all that sent in your dues and for several additional donations to the Company and to the Jamestowne Society.

#### GOVERNOR'S CORNER

It's been an odd year, hasn't it? We should be happy that 2020 is close to ending, but it's hard to shake a nagging feeling that there is no guarantee that 2021 will be better. Like our Jamestowne ancestors before us, we need to maintain faith and a positive attitude. And it wouldn't hurt to follow public safety guidelines too!

Even as COVID-19 continues to overshadow our lives and our behavior, our members have taken steps to make First Maryland Company stronger and better. Since our Summer 2020 newsletter was distributed, we have accomplished the following:

- Gained four new members (and one former member we'd somehow managed to lose), although we've not yet been properly able to welcome them as we'd all wish to do
- Revised our Company Bylaws to conform to Jamestowne Society's new bylaws, and to eliminate unnecessarily restrictive qualifications requirements to serve as a Company Officer
- Received from our nominating committee a slate of officers for 2020-2022
- Scheduled our annual business meeting, where we'll elect new officers and conduct other end-of-year company business
- Shown that we can hold virtual meetings for as long as public health considerations require such measures.

Apropos that last point, though, let's be very clear. While we can hold virtual meetings, we don't want to for any longer than is necessary. We'll be fully compliant with health and safety measures, we'll err on the side of caution so that we never put the health of a member or guest at risk; and, by golly, we'll resume real face-to-face meetings as soon as it can be done safely. At least that's my goal. I hope you all agree. And I hope to see all of you again soon.

Harry

#### COMPANY OFFICER ELECTIONS

Your Company's current officers' term of office comes to an end in November. A slate of officers for the term November 2020 to November 2022 has been proposed by the nominating committee and the election will take place during the annual business meeting. The committee is comprised of the following members: Clarence Lee, Sonja Holleman and William (Bill) Spencer.

The slate of officers for the coming election are

Governor Harry Redd

Lt. Governor Anne Henninger

Treasurer Jerry Zillion

Secretary Rebecca Myers

Chaplain Barbara Greeley

Councilor William Spencer

Councilor George Calvert

Councilor Lucien E. Votta

Historian Not Filled

Registrar Not Filled

Company member Cynthia Johnson will be nominated from the floor for the positions of Historian and Registrar.

Treasurer's Report
Checking Account Balance
\$1,082.26 as of 11/08/2020

The First Maryland Company
Membership Dues are \$20.00
(October-October)

# FIRST MARYLAND COMPANY DONATES BOOKS TO MARYLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND THE MARYLAND STATE LIBRARY



Company member George and Joanne Calvert at the Marlyand Historical Society

Jamestowne Society sent each company three copies of the book Church & State: The Archaeology of the Foundations of Democracy. One copy was for the company to keep. Each company was to present the other two copies to an organization the company considered an appropriate recipient.

This presentation was to be made in the name of Jamestowne Society. Your council identified two worthy organizations: Maryland Historical Society and Maryland State Library. Your council also decided to buy two additional copies of the book to give to one of these organizations while presenting the two copies sent to us by Jamestowne Society to the other.

George Davis Calvert, Jr. and his wife Joanne Calvert presented two copies of Church & State: The Archaeology of the Foundations of Democracy to Maryland Historical Society librarian Francis O'Neill on August 19th. Despite the MHS library being closed to the public because of both the pandemic and construction, George and Joanne were permitted to go there to conduct research. They combined that visit with the presentation. We owe both George and Joanne Calvert a big THANK YOU for this service to Jamestowne Society, First Maryland Company, and Maryland Historical Society.

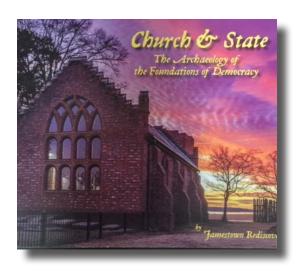
Two copies of Church & State: The Archaeology of the Foundations of Democracy were donated to the Maryland State Library. Our thanks to member Cynthia Johnson, who reached out to the library and arranged for the mailing. In person contact was not an option due precautions concerning the Pandemic.

#### WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Mr. C. Anthony DiJulio Severna Park, MD
Mrs. Jane F. DiJulio Severna Park, MD
Mr. Christopher DiJulio Serverna Park, MD
Mrs. Denise Wierzbicki Baltimore, MD
Nancy B. Popielarski Gettysburg, PA

## THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WHO MADE DONATIONS TO THE COMPANY

Renee Closs Gloria Day Lahoma Dickey Cynthia Johnson Adele Marchant John Neild, Jr. Jerry Zillion



Company Copy of Church & State is available for members to borrow