



DUTCH DISPATCH

Annual Newsletter of THE DUTCH COLONIAL SOCIETY OF DELAWARE
FOUNDED 1962

Officers 2016 - 2018



Front row: Camille Redfern Lowery - Secretary; LTC Lawrence King Casey, Jr. - Vice President; Mary Robin Redfearn Towns - President; and Janet Lewis Downing - Treasurer.
Back row: Susan Godman Rager, Esq. - Dominie; David John Stringfellow - Historian.
John Marshall Pogue, MD - Flag Protector; and Leslie Vander Meulen Richards - new Patroon.

The Annual Meeting of Dutch Colonial Society of Delaware was held on Wednesday, April 12, 2017, at 11:30 am in the John Paul Jones Room of The Army and Navy Club in Washington, DC. President Robin Towns called the Annual Meeting to order and conducted the business of the society. A new slate of Patroons was elected.

Following a hearty luncheon, a scholarly and engaging speaker, Dainis A. Butners, presented a most interesting program on the *Business Aspect of Dutch Settlement of North America*. An honorarium and gift were presented to Mr. Butners.

As always, members and guests enjoyed the meeting, luncheon, program, and warm fellowship of the Dutch Colonial Society's annual gathering.

DUTCH COLONIAL SOCIETY OFFICERS 2016 – 2018

President	Robin R. Towns
Vice-President	LTC Lawrence K. Casey, Jr.
Secretary	Camille R. Lowery
Treasurer	Janet L. Downing
Genealogist	Carole D. Belcher
Historian	David J. Stringfellow
Dominie	Susan G. Rager, Esq.
Flag Protector	John Marshall Pogue, MD

APPOINTMENTS

Parliamentarian	John M. Bourne
Bylaws Committee	Camille R. Lowery, Chairman Melissa H. Fischer, John M. Bourne
Directory	Denise F. Hall, Chairman
Insignia	LTC Lawrence K. Casey, Chairman

PATROONS

Term Expires April 2018:	Eric John Nielsen, MD Henry Coggeshall Howells, IV David Lawrence Grinnell
Term Expires April 2019:	David W. Morton, Ed.D Brett M. Decker Larry A. Peck
Term Expires April 2020:	Leslie Vander Meulen Richards Ellan Stockwell Thorsen Mary Carolyn Trent



Program for 2018 Annual Meeting
**“Early Dutch Settlers on
the Eastern Shore of Virginia”**

Presented by
Susan Godman Rager, JD
Our Dominie, native of Virginia, and Attorney

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Your President, Executive Officers, and Patroons are have enjoyed serving the membership during the past two years. Thank you for your cooperation and trust.

Many thanks are in order for our excellent Executive Board for their outstanding work and attention to detail. They have kept the Dutch Colonial Society running very smoothly. In addition, many thanks our Patroons for their support and advice.

Your President and Council have been busy during this year with the work of the society. We hope that you are enjoying your new magazine **“Dutch Dispatch.”** We would like to again thank Dr. John Pogue for naming the society’s newsletter.

Please review the Nominating Committee Report on page 4. The Slate of new Officers for 2018-2020 and Patroons for 2018-2021 will be elected at the 2018 Annual Meeting.

Directory Chairman Denise Hall produced a lovely publication for the 2016–2018 term - *Dutch Colonial Society Directory & Bylaws*. A few copies will be available at the April meeting.

In 2017, Bylaws Committee, Camille Lowery, Chairman, proposed excellent changes for our Bylaws, which were adopted at the 2017 Annual Meeting. These changes will help to facilitate the smooth functioning of our society. Complete text of newly adopted Bylaws is published on page 10.

One of our own number will present a Dutch program for our enlightenment and enjoyment for our Annual Meeting and luncheon. Susan G. Rader, JD, DCS Dominie, will be speaking on the topic of **“Early Dutch Settlers on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.”** (see page 2) Please plan on attending and enjoying an interesting speaker, a delicious luncheon, and great fellowship.



I hope that you will enjoy reading the 2018 Issue of the new *Dutch Dispatch*. Your meeting notice and reservation form for the 2018 Annual Meeting and Luncheon are located on page 5. We will look forward to being together!

Sincerely,
Robin Towns

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

since February 1, 2017

In the year since January 31, 2017 (*Dutch Dispatch* cut-off date), *Dutch Colonial Society* has enjoyed healthy membership growth, with the addition of eleven (11) new members. If your relatives or friends have Dutch ancestry, please invite them to join *Dutch Colonial Society*. Kudos to members who have proposed a new member, and to **Genealogist Carole Belcher** for her capable service and attention to every detail.

New Member ~ Dutch Ancestor

Nancy Engel Barlow ~ Experience Mitchell
Patricia O'Brien Everts ~ Jacob Janse Shermerhorn Van Amsterdam
Patricia Ann Scott Garner ~ Francis Hendrickson
Gregg Scott Garrison ~ Gerrit Gerritse
Sumner Gary Hunnewell ~ Jonathan Brewster
Konrad Anders Juengling ~ Pieter Ostrander
Carol Aileen Campbell Jutte ~ Jan Cornelissen Buys
Scott Robert Kerns ~ Coenradt Ten Eyck
Tamera Jo Buhrlé Moulère ~ Cornelius Melyn
Christina Marie Weissgerber Twardowski ~ Moses Simonson
Thomas Edward Jacks ~ Claes Claeszen

2018 Nominating Committee Report

Committee members: Denise Hall, Camille Lowery, Melissa Fischer

SLATE ~ OFFICERS 2018—2020

President	LTC Lawrence K. Casey, Jr.
Vice-President	Camille R. Lowery
Secretary	David J. Stringfellow
Treasurer	Sandra Esty
Genealogist	Carole D. Belcher
Historian	Pat Hugar
Dominie	Sumner Hunnewell
Flag Protector	John Marshall Pogue, MD

PATROONS - Term ending 2021

Nancy E. Barlow
Douglas Mather "Tim" Mabee
Melissa Fischer

Slate to be elected at 2018 Annual Meeting



*President Robin R. Towns
the Executive Council and Patroons of the
Dutch Colonial Society
cordially invite you to attend the
2018 Annual Meeting & Luncheon
Wednesday, April 11, 2018
11:30 am*

*Executive Council 10:30 am
The Army and Navy Club, John Paul Jones Room
901 Seventeenth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20006*

RESERVATION FORM

Return this form with your reservation

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Check one: member guest

Please submit this form with your check for \$ 45.00 per person
made payable to: ***Dutch Colonial Society***

***Mail to: Janet L. Downing, Treasurer
3835 9th Street, # PHIE
Arlington, VA 22203-1993***

phone: 703.527.5833

Email: jldowning@comcast.net

Reservation deadline—reservation postmarked by Friday, March 30, 2018



MINUTES

2018 Annual Assembly & Luncheon - Washington, DC

The Annual Assembly of the Dutch Colonial Society was held Wednesday, April 12, 2017, at 11:30 am in the John Paul Jones Room of The Army and Navy Club. President Robin Towns called the meeting to order at 11:31 am. The Invocation was given by Dominie Susan Godman Rager in which she read the Lord's Prayer in Dutch and distributed copies of same to attendees. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Dr. John Pogue, Flag Protector. The American's Creed was led by Janet Lewis Downing, Treasurer. The DCS Purpose & Objectives (Article II of Bylaws) were read by Anne Causin Henninger, Patroon.

Mrs. Towns introduced the Executive Council Officers for 2016-2018: President, Robin Redfearn Towns; Vice President, LTC Lawrence King Casey, Jr.; Secretary, Camille Redfern Lowery; Treasurer, Janet Lewis Downing; Genealogist, Carole Drake Belcher; Dominie, Susan Godman Rager, Esq.; and John Marshall Pogue, MD, Flag Protector. Mrs. Towns introduced Parliamentarian, John Mackintosh Bourne.

Mrs. Towns introduced Patroons (Term Expires April 2017): Anne Causin Henninger, Judith Haddock Swan, and Katherine Eaton Michalowicz. Mrs. Towns introduced Patroons (Term Expires April 2018): Eric John Nielsen, MD, Henry Coggeshall Howells, IV, and David Lawrence Grinnell. Mrs. Towns introduced Patroons (Term Expires April 2019): David Wade Morton, Ed D, Brett Michael Decker, and Larry Allen Peck.

Mrs. Towns introduced Committee Chairmen: Auditor, Melissa Harrison Fischer; Bylaws Committee, Camille Redfern Lowery, Chairman, Melissa Harrison Fischer, and John Mackintosh Bourne; Directory, Denise Patton Hall, Chairman; and Insignia, Lawrence King Casey, Chairman.

Mrs. Towns introduced Distinguished Leaders of other Heredity Societies: Carole Drake Belcher, National Society Daughters of Founders & Patriots of America; John Mackintosh Bourne, Governor General, Sons of the American Colonists and Governor General, Society of the Descendants of the Colonial Clergy; LTC Lawrence King Casey, Jr., Governor General, The Order of Descendants of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company; Janet Lewis Downing, President General, Order of the First Families of Maine 1604-1652; Katherine Eaton Michalowicz, President, National Society Saints & Sinners; Leslie Vander Meulen Richards, President General, National Society Colonial Daughters of the Seventeenth Century; David John Stringfellow, Commanding General, National Order of Blue & Gray; Robin Redfearn Towns, President General, Presidential Families of America and Postmaster General, Descendants of Early Postmasters 1607-1900.

Mrs. Towns asked new members to stand and introduce themselves: Anne Farley, Sandi Esty, and Nancy E. Barlow and husband John Barlow, guest. Mrs. Towns recognized first time attendees: members Sandi Esty and Sunny Hayes, Susan Erlick, guest, and COL Clifford C. Lowery, guest.

Treasurer Mrs. Downing gave the registration report as follows: nineteen(19) members, three (3) guests, and one (1) speaker. A quorum of 10 was established and business could be conducted.

Minutes of the 2016 Annual Assembly were recorded by Mrs. Lowery, approved by Committee appointees Mrs. Fischer and Mr. Bourne and distributed in the 2017 issue

of *Dutch Dispatch*. Mrs. Towns appointed Mrs. Michalowicz and LTC Casey to review and approve Minutes of 2017 Annual Assembly.

Reports of Executive Council Officers commenced. President Mrs. Towns gave her report and thanked Dr. Pogue for suggesting the name of the DCS newsletter, *Dutch Dispatch*.

Vice President LTC Casey gave his report: \$979.00 in Insignia sales, \$50.00 in tie sales. Additionally, he reported that DCS is in compliance with the Internal Revenue Service.

Recording Secretary Mrs. Lowery reported that 2016 minutes were available in 2017 *Dutch Dispatch*, and 2017 minutes would be available in 2018 *Dutch Dispatch*.

Treasurer Mrs. Downing reported total balance of \$30,512.12 consisting of \$9,494.15 in checking and \$21,017.97 in savings. Membership stands as 171 life members and 2 annual members. Mrs. Downing presented the 2017-2018 Budget. Mr. Bourne moved to approve the Budget as presented. Motion seconded and approved. Mrs. Fischer presented Auditor's Report. LTC Casey moved to accept Auditor's Report. Motion seconded and approved.

Mrs. Lowery gave the report of Genealogist Mrs. Belcher: seventeen (17) new member applications and six (6) supplemental applications for a total of 175 members.

Dominie Mrs. Rager reported no deaths and reminded members to inform her of members' illnesses and deaths.

Flag Protector Dr. Pogue reminded attendees of the Dutch and American flags displayed at each table.

Mrs. Towns reported that there was no Unfinished Business.

Under New Business, three (3) recommendations from the Bylaws Committee were presented, having been published in the 2017 issue of *Dutch Dispatch*. There being no objection, recommendations were not read. Bylaws Committee Chairman Mrs. Lowery moved to approve the recommendations as published in the 2017 issue of *Dutch Dispatch*. Recommendations were voted upon and approved.

Nominating Committee Chairman Mrs. Fischer gave the report and thanked committee members Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Lowery. The Slate for Patroons (term Expires 2020): Leslie Vander Meulen Richards (formerly Canavan), Ellan Stockwell Thorsen, and Mary Carolyn Trent. There being no nominations from the floor, LTC Casey moved to approve the slate. Motion voted upon and approved.

Dominie Mrs. Rager gave the Blessing for luncheon.

President Towns introduced speaker, Dainis A. Butners, who spoke on "*The Business Aspect of Dutch Settlement in North America.*" Mrs. Towns presented Mr. Butners with an honorarium and speaker's gift.

Dominie Mrs. Rager installed newly elected Patroons: Mrs. Michalowicz, Mrs. Thorsen, and Miss Trent, and presented those present with sashes.

Mrs. Towns requested any announcements. She announced that the 2018 Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at the Army and Navy Club, sponsored by Mrs. Towns.

Dominie Mrs. Rager gave the Benediction.

Mrs. Towns adjourned the 2017 Annual Assembly at 12:50 pm.



DUTCH COLONIAL SOCIETY Necktie and Rosette ORDER FORM



Not pictured to scale -
Orange Rosette is
approximately
1/2 " diameter

Date: _____

Silk tie is blue +
orange stripes

Name: _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I wish to order _____ (#) tie(s) @ \$50 each = \$_____

I wish to order _____ (#) rosette(s) @ \$15 each = \$_____

Shipping & handling is included.

TOTAL \$_____

Make check payable in proper amount to ***Dutch Colonial Society***.

Enclose your check and order form. Mail to:

Dutch Colonial Society
LTC Lawrence K. Casey, Jr., Vice President
6915 Limerick Drive
Beaumont, TX 77706-4147

Questions? *lcasey1@gt.rr.com*

Reproduce Form as needed.

DUTCH COLONIAL SOCIETY INSIGNIA ORDER FORM

CityPride, Ltd., Official Jeweler of Dutch Colonial Society

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Large Insignia (gold-plated) _____ @ \$75 (incl S&H) = _____

Miniature Insignia (gold-plated) _____ @ \$55 (incl S&H) = _____

Neck Ribbon (Neckband, worn by Officers) _____ @ \$30 (incl S&H) = _____

Engraving Instructions: _____

Please print legibly

Only Initials for Miniatures _____ @ \$.35 (per letter) = _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Make check payable in proper amount to: ***Dutch Colonial Society***
Enclose your check and order form, plus a stamped envelope addressed
to:

CityPride, Ltd.
411 Cottman Street
Jenkintown, PA 19046

Mail everything to:
Dutch Colonial Society
LTC Lawrence K. Casey, Jr., Vice President
6915 Limerick Drive
Beaumont, TX 77706-4147

Questions? lcasy1@gt.rr.com

Authorized Signature

For VP use only:
Date received:

Check #

Large _____

Mini _____

Ribbon _____

Reproduce Form as needed



Bylaws Changes

Approved and adopted by the Membership 12 April 2017

Article IV: Section 2.C.

ADD: The Council may conduct such business of the society between Annual Meetings by the use of electronic mail (*Email*).

Article VI. Section 4. President's Insignia

The President will be entrusted with the protection and care of the society's official President's insignia and shall wear it at all functions and occasions when deemed appropriate. The insignia of the President shall be worn suspended from a neckband of official society ribbon, or suspended from a bow of official society ribbon, and shall be the only hereditary insignia worn, with the exception of Gavel Society pin, if applicable. The President may wear a four inch wide white sash embellished with official society ribbon. Insignia, neck band, and sash shall be passed to the incoming President at the installation of Officers and remains the property of the Society. The President upon leaving office may continue to wear the Presidential insignia in an honorary capacity suspended from a neckband of official society ribbon, or suspended from a bow and worn with the past President's sash of four inch wide white ribbon embellished with two narrow strips of official society ribbon on outer edges. The Presidential Insignia in the small scale shall be awarded to the outgoing President by the society.

Article VI. Section 5. Officers' Insignia

All Officers of the society shall be entitled to wear their insignia suspended from a neckband of official society ribbon, **or pinned on the left shoulder and worn with a sash: Officers - a three inch wide white sash embellished with official society ribbon in the center; Patroons - a two inch wide sash of official society ribbon.** When worn in such a manner, it shall be the only hereditary society insignia worn, with the exception of Gavel Society pin, if applicable. This applies to Officers only while they are in office. Upon leaving office, all officer sashes shall be immediately returned to the society in good order.

The Hereditary Society Community of the United States of America



Dutch Colonial Society is proud to support the *Hereditary Society Community* with an annual contribution of \$100. HSC is a non-profit organization which ably chronicles and reports the information and activities of hereditary societies throughout the nation. HSC's excellent web site provides a wealth of knowledge and information for the public.

The organization holds an elegant Awards Dinner in Washington, DC annually to recognize individuals who have provided outstanding service for the nationwide hereditary society community.

Dutch Colonial Society Supports Worthy Projects

For several years, Dutch Colonial Society has donated the annual sum of \$250 to the *New Netherland Project* of the New Netherland Research Center. New Netherland Project has for more than thirty years has succeeded in translating more than 7,000 pages of New Netherland's administrative records. In "Dutch Renaissance," Peter Douglas presents an account of the New Netherland Project and challenges, setbacks, disappointments, and discoveries of scholars working to uncover this early history. This story provides new insights into the dynamic Dutch colonial culture that shaped America. Dutch Colonial Society should be very proud of our support for the New Netherland Research Center. You may view the publication at:

NEWNETHERLANDINSTITUTE.org.



Contributed by Janet Downing, Treasurer



Wreaths Across America

Dutch Colonial Society graciously sponsored ten Christmas wreaths (\$150) to be placed on graves of US Veterans, some graves dating back to veterans of the American Revolution. Hereditary societies, businesses, and individuals contributed to the 2017 Oconee & Clarke Counties (GA) Cemetery Project, part of a nationwide project known as "Wreaths Across America." In seven cemeteries, wreaths were placed on the graves of Veterans, strongly supporting the nationwide mission. The goal of "Wreaths Across America" is to place a wreath on the grave of every Veteran in America, one grave at the time. The nationwide day for the wreath ceremony was Saturday, December 16, 2017. Following a brief dedication ceremony, a moment of silence was observed at exactly 12:00 noon EST across the nation. *Dutch Colonial Society* was recognized in the program. Following adjournment of the ceremony, volunteers dispersed into cemeteries, placing a wreath on each Veteran's grave, and reverently stating the name of the Veteran aloud, as an annual remembrance to that person and his or her service to the nation. Many thanks to *Dutch Colonial Society* for participating in this most deserving and worthy project to honor the Veterans of our great nation.

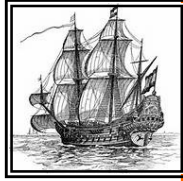




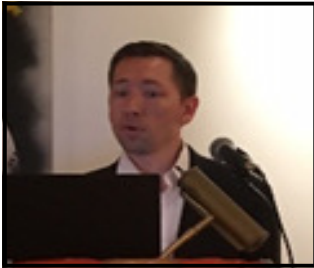
DUTCH COLONIAL SOCIETY

ANNUAL MEETING

April 12, 2017
The Army and Navy Club



(L to R) LTC Lawrence K. Casey, Jr, Vice President; Dainis Butners, Keynote speaker, Robin R. Towns, President 2016-2018, with beautiful DCS Flag



Mr. Butners, MBA candidate
McDonough School of Business
Georgetown University



Newly-elected Patroon
Leslie Vander Meulen Richards
and President Towns



Melissa Fischer , Jan Downing, Treasurer