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YORKTOWN DAY CELEBRATION

A beautiful, sunny and relatively warm October nineteenth was the setting for the Yorktown Day festivities this year. The parade consisted of bands from the local high schools, units from the various military organizations, the Yorktown Fifes and Drums, and contingents from various civic organizations. For the patriotic exercises following the parade, our honorary flag bearer was Lois Winter and our platform representative was Nancy Shrout. A number of Society members attended the ceremonies. The speaker, Andrew Jackson O'Shaughnessy, discussed the reaction of Great Britain to the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown. The exercises were followed by the traditional Brunswick Stew luncheon catered by the Yorktown Women's Club.

YORKTOWN PRESERVATION SOCIETY MEETING

The Yorktown Preservation Society met on Sunday, October 25, 2015 at 2:00 PM at the Parish Hall of Grace Church in Yorktown. The speaker for the meeting was Mr. Hal Herdey who gave a presentation on the Sesquicentennial Celebration held in 1931 in Yorktown, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the British surrender at Yorktown. The celebration brought thousands of visitors to the area.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY FUNDRAISER

By now you should all have received the announcement of our Christmas Party Fundraiser to be held Sunday, December 13, 2015, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Hornsby House Inn on Main Street, Yorktown. Of the \$20.00 per person cost, \$15.00 is tax deductible. Please respond by December 9, 2015 to Rosalie Mitchell, Treasurer, 128 Spoon Court, Yorktown, VA 23693. Dress is Christmas Casual, and your table-ready sweet or savory is most welcome. Thanks to Joy Phillips, Nancy Shrout, and Rosalie Mitchell. And thanks to Dave and Phil Bowditch of the Hornsby House Inn.

DONATION OF BOOKS TO COUNTY LIBRARIES

When James (Mac) McReynolds, York County Administrator, died last year, the Celebrate Yorktown Committee made a donation to the Yorktown Preservation Society in his memory. The YPS Board has decided to use that donation and additional funds to purchase books for the York County libraries. We thought that books about Lafayette and books about the Revolutionary War would be appropriate in view of Mac's visit to Lafayette's castle in France. The books are: "Lafayette in America", "Aftermath of Battle", "Fighting the American Revolution", "Road to Yorktown" and "Reporting on the Revolutionary War". These books will have a suitable bookplate dedication to the memory of Mac.

The YPS Board also decided to give other books to the libraries. These books are "New Civil War Handbook", "Military Memoirs of a Confederate", "Lincoln, the War President", "Decision in the West, the Atlanta Campaign of 1864" and "50 Core American Documents". These books will have a bookplate inscription indicating that they were donated by YPS.

Some of the books were purchased from the Gallery at York Hall, which benefits the Celebrate Yorktown Committee. Some of the other books are still on order, but we hope to present all of the books to the libraries in December. We purchased two copies of each book, one for the Yorktown Library and one for the Tabb Library.

Thanks to Sharon Owen and Bonnie Karwac for their assistance in acquiring the books.

THE FINAL 27 YEARS AND BEYOND
THE YORKTOWN BRANCH/ APVA

The YPS Board is continuing to work on the follow-up booklet to *The First Sixty-Five Years 1921 -- 1986 Yorktown Branch APVA*. This booklet will provide an insight to the history and activities of the Branch for the last 27 years of its existence. Collectively, the two booklets will provide the reader with the complete history of the organization. Look for this booklet in early 2016.

YPS WEBSITE

Please remember the YPS Website is available for information about activities sponsored by YPS both future and past. The address is www.ypsva.org. When you are seeking information about the organization regarding meetings, membership dues, tour, photos of activities, organization contacts, etc. remember to log on to the YPS website. You will find a wealth of information there about YPS and Yorktown.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

As a monetary concern, we wish to communicate with members by email as much as possible. If you are not receiving emails or snail mail, please let us know at either yps2013@aol.com or Joy Phillips at (757) 898-1243. Thanks for your help on this issue.

Yorktown Preservation Society Balance Sheet As of September 30, 2015

	<u>Sep 30, 15</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Towne Bank	<u>8,010.33</u>
Total Checking/Savings	<u>8,010.33</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>8,010.33</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>8,010.33</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Fund Balance	7,051.37
Net Income	<u>958.96</u>
Total Equity	<u>8,010.33</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>8,010.33</u></u>