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CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING

The chapter held its Annual Meeting/Washington's Birthday Dinner at the Century House in Latham on February 18. This was an election year and the following compatriots were sworn into office by ESSAR President and past Chapter President Duane Booth.

President – Douglas M. Gallant
1st Vice President – Patrick Reilly
2nd Vice President – Michael S. Companion
Secretary – Mark Meyers
Treasurer – David Flint
Registrar – Thomas L. Dunne
Genealogist – Dennis F. Marr
Historian – Karl L. Danneil
Chaplain – Charles W. Wheeler, Jr.

Dennis F. Marr was reappointed as chapter newsletter editor.

Compatriot Mark Meyers received his new member certificate and was sworn in as a chapter officer as well.

We thank these compatriots for stepping up to lead our chapter for the next two years.

Treasurer Flint submitted the Treasurer's report; we are pleased that the chapter remains on solid financial footing.

Registrar Dunne's report indicated that membership was holding at 195, making us still the largest chapter in the ESSAR. In these challenging times for membership organizations, we owe a debt of gratitude for the hard work done to maintain our membership and limit drops. Registrar Dunne commented that he has several applications pending and is confident that we will be back over 200 members later this year.



(L-R) Former VPG Peter Goebel, President Douglas Gallant, 1st Vice President Patrick Reilly, Treasurer David Flint, 2nd Vice President Michael Companion, Historian Karl Danneil, Secretary Mark Meyers, Registrar Thomas Dunne, Genealogist Dennis Marr, Empire State Society President Duane Booth

Our speaker for the dinner was local author and historian James Richmond. Mr. Richmond provided highlights from his book *War On the Middleline* (available at Amazon.com). The topic begins with the initial settlement of the Kayaderosseras Patent and into the Revolutionary War period where individual characters and stories intertwine and ultimately come together with the British Raid on Ballston in 1780. Several individuals were taken prisoner into Canada as part of the raid. The book and presentation concludes with the return of those individuals in late 1782 - some escaped while others were released by treaty.



James Richmond's Presentation