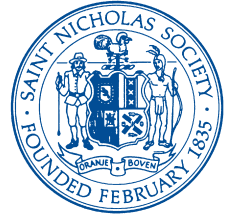


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



President Charles R. Mackenzie, Esq.

Needless to say, it has been a rocky year for many members and their families. However, our endowment has remained stable, members have continued to stay on and to join, and we even managed to return to a responsible balanced budget policy. Although the COVID-19 Pandemic placed many restrictions on our ability to get together, we were able to arrange for virtual events via the internet that were well-attended. In May 2020, the virtual Spring Stated Meeting had 100 attendees, about double that of most of our inperson gatherings! Finance Chairman Schuyler Winter, Membership Chairman Brian Owens, our Genealogist Sandy Sanford, and Admissions Chairman Gary Dycus have earned overdue recognition

for their excellent service and for keeping our finances sound and pipeline of new members flowing steadily.

Joining publications chairman Randy Hammond in committee leadership are chairmen Brian A. Blake (Audit), W. Seton Ijams (Budget), David B. Rich III (Law) - a hearty Dutch "Welkom" to them! I look forward to working with them, as we continue to enhance the quality of our corporate governance. A special round of snaps goes to Vice Presidents Tom Pike and Tom Johnson for their assistance with coordinating events.

Followed by our first-ever online Cocktail Hour on September 6th - Ian Fraser bedankt! - the Welcome Back Party with the Society of Colonial Wars took place at Westchester Country Club in Rye, New York. About 35 members and guests attended the indoor/outdoor occasion, with others attending virtually.

Given our relative success with attendance north of the City, we held the Fall Stated Meeting at Sleepy Hollow Country Club, which was built for William Vanderbilt and his daughter during the Gilded Age. Members enjoyed spectacular views of the estate's lawn, now golf course, overlooking the Hudson River on the front terrace, before we welcomed new members Tom Rice and Matthew Dupee, and Former Chief Steward John P.T. Blake and Past

President John Milnes Baker announced the new Knickerbocker Toast competition and Wampum Bead Award.

Although two Paas Balls and our traditional Feast of Saint Nicholas 2020 had to be postponed, we managed to hold a virtual Feast in December and a Winter Stated Meeting in cyberspace. I would also like to applaud our Chief Steward Will Campbell for organizing and chairing a virtual Tasting Dinner, despite the challenge of being a father expecting his first child in quarantine! Our annual appeal and sales of regalia allowed us to close last year on a high note. Many thanks to our members who are generous patrons and dapper dressers. Goed heilig, Man!

As 2021 draws to close, we look forward to additional regalia, the officer's neck medals and sashes. This new, cool "schwag" - Dutch word? Maybe. Not. I am sure you will enjoy our reports on the next few pages about our return to in-person gatherings, including our Spring Stated Meeting in May 2021, our boat tour in June, and our summer party in Newport, as well as our fall events. We especially hope you will join us in celebrating a reopened New York society by attending our Feast in December and Paas Ball in May.

Oranje Boven!

Charles R. Mackenzie, Esq.

BAAN HOLLANDA

Francis Persse-Harcourt Powers, M.D.

In 2017 Society member Francis Powers visited Ayutthaya, a former capital of Thailand, where he learned of a Dutch trading connection with Siam, as Thailand was then known. The result was a scholarly article about the history of Dutch trading in Siam. A summary of the article is presented here, and the full article and references are available at <https://bit.ly/3f9kwil>.

In 1604 the Dutch VOC (Vereenigde Oostindische Compagnie) established formal trade relations with Siam. In 1608, during the reign of King Sanpet II (aka Ekathotsarot), ambassadors were exchanged, and the VOC was allowed to build a trading post. The location was small and in the southern part of the walled island city. During their 160 years in Siam, the

VOC participated in society, politics and diplomacy, as well as trade.

Ayutthaya was founded in 1351 by King U Thong, who proclaimed it as Siam's second capital. The riverine city was named after the Indian city of Ayodhya, the birthplace of Rama. The initial goal of the Dutch traders was to open relations with the Siamese court as they were well aware

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2019 events

FLAG DAY 2019 JUNE 14, 2019



Steward Christian Burke

FEAST OF SAINT NICHOLAS, DECEMBER 6, 2019, UNION CLUB OF NEW YORK



Randall A. Hammond, Kimberlea Jefferies, Andrew J. Thomas, Ellen Frantz-Wolfe, The Right Reverend Dean E. Wolfe, Rector of St. Bartholomew, and Stephen B. Jeffries



President Naud, Mr. Nicholas Papanicolaou

The Society's 2019
Americans of Distinction Medal
for Philanthropy awarded to
Mr. Nicholas Papanicolaou.

The 2019 Medal of Merit
presented to Mr. Ian Wardropper,
Director of The Frick Collection



Mr. Ian Wardropper, President Robert A. Naud



Charles Mackenzie, Andrew McAteer, Donald Allison, and Max Cadmus



Peter Kimber, President Robert A. Naud, M.P. Naud

2020 events

WINTER STATED MEETING 2020
FEB 27, 2020, CONSULATE
GENERAL OF FRANCE IN NEW YORK



*Anne Svennson, President Naud,
MP Naud, Lee Potter*

WELCOME BACK RECEPTION
WITH THE SOCIETY OF COLONIAL WARS IN NEW YORK,
SEPTEMBER 24, 2020, WESTCHESTER COUNTRY CLUB



First in-person 2020 event



*Eric Hoyle, Patrick Smith, Owen Kloter,
President Mackenzie, Brandon Sokol,
Dennis Campbell McCrary, Greg Byrnes,
Tom Johnson, Past-President John Baker*

FALL STATED MEETING, OCT 15, 2020,
SLEEPY HOLLOW COUNTRY CLUB



*New Members Owen Kloter, Jonathan Hall,
Matthew Dupee and Thomas Rice,
with President Mackenzie*

FEAST OF SAINT NICHOLAS,
DEC 4, 2020, VIRTUAL



SPRING STATED MEETING 2020
MAY 21, 2020

*First virtual Stated Meeting.
Approximately 100 members from
across the country attended*

VIRTUAL COCKTAIL HOUR
HOSTED BY IAN FRASER,
SEPTEMBER 6, 2020



*Will Campbell, Tom Pike, Tom Johnson,
Charles Mackenzie, Seton Ijams,
Gary Dycus, Christian Burke, Ian Fraser,
Peter Schermerhorn*



*Past Presidents Baker and Billick investing
incoming President Mackenzie*



*Past President John Baker,
incoming President Mackenzie,
Past President Stephen Billick*

2021 events

SPRING STATED MEETING 2021, MAY 20, 2021, RACQUET & TENNIS CLUB IN NEW YORK MEDAL OF MERIT PRESENTED TO DR. EDMUND GORDON

*John M. Musser Professor of Psychology, Emeritus at Yale University
Richard March Hoe Professor, Emeritus of Psychology and Education and Director of
the Institute of Urban and Minority Education (IUME) at Teachers College, Columbia University*



*Steward Andrew McAteer parading
the Weathercock*



John Blake offering the Knickerbocker Toast



*New Members Inducted with President Mackenzie
President Mackenzie, Jim Tolles,
Peter Sherwin, Ted Andrews*

HUDSON RIVER BOAT TOUR, JUNE 10, 2021



*Members enjoyed an architectural tour
from both the Hudson and East rivers
aboard the yacht 'Manhattan.'*



*Peter Nemiroff, Diane Nemiroff, Ted Andrews,
Gary Dycus, Tom Pike Jr., Tom Rice,
Past-President Charles Neuhauser, Peyton
Carter, Tom Johnson, Pam Bartlett,
Ian Fraser, Leighton Coleman*



Tom Rice, Ted Andrews



*Gary Dycus,
Past-President Charles Neuhauser*



Pam Bartlett & Ian Fraser



Liz Johnson & Seton Ijams

2021 events

SUMMER SOIREE 2021, JULY 10, 2021, NEW YORK YACHT CLUB'S HARBOR COURT, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND



Washington (Rip) Irving, Russell Burke, Richard Viotor, Peyton Carter, Dudley Johnson, Thomas Love, Robb Allen, Lauren Robey, President Mackenzie, Shervin Hawley, Drew Bard Varges, Carrie Hawley, Kelsey Reelick, Mike Robey, Max Cadmus, Gary Dycus, Ian Fraser, Tom Johnson, Will Tiff



Peyton Carter, Mike Robey, Gary Dycus, Kelsey Reelick, President Mackenzie, Max Cadmus, Drew Bard Varges, Liz Johnson, Tom Johnson, Ian Fraser

WELCOME BACK RECEPTION 2021, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021, 3 WEST CLUB



*Past Governor Society of Colonial Wars NY,
Sumner Anderson & Brian Egan*



Seton Ijams & David Disi



Gary Dycus & Brooks Clark

FALL STATED MEETING 2021, OCT 14, 2021, KNICKERBOCKER CLUB



*Jim Tolles, Christian Burke, Luz Hotaling,
Robert Hotaling, Brooks Clark*



Susan Williams inspecting President Mackenzie's regalia

of Siam's trading relations with China through a tributary system. The VOC hoped to accompany Siamese tribute junks to Ming China, the largest market in Asia, to which the Chinese Imperial Court would only grant access to a tributary state. If successful, the direct access to China's fabled riches would have placed the VOC in the forefront of all traders sailing the maritime Silk Route to Asia.

The importance of Siam was far more than a mere gateway to China or a conduit to access Chinese goods. On arrival in Siam, the Dutch found a kingdom of wealth and abundance in addition to an open, cosmopolitan outlook. These characteristics prompted them to set up a trading post in Ayutthaya. The Siamese goods of particular interest to the VOC were sapanwood, deerskins, rayskins for the Japanese market, rice for Batavia (modern day Java), and tin, whose value and importance increased with European tea consumption. Tin was used as a lining for shipping tea chests and domestic tea caddies.

While this goal was never achieved, the VOC remained in Siam longer than most European traders. Incidentally, the early Dutch traders take credit for helping revive Theravada Buddhism in present-day Sri Lanka, as the VOC offered space on their ships to Siamese monks traveling to Ceylon to practice Theravada Buddhism in its land of origin.

In 1634, as a reward for Dutch naval aid in Ayutthaya's war against the Pattani, King Prasatthong granted the VOC a larger piece of land outside the walled city, adjacent to the Chao Phraya River. This new location allowed a larger VOC trading office and factory where goods were easily loaded/unloaded with direct river access. Here, the Dutch had a full-fledged settlement with 1,500 inhabitants. Their section contained one of the city's more stately stone structures, often viewed with a measure of awe. The Thais referred to it as Tuek Daeng or the Red Building, the most elaborate of several major Dutch structures in Ayutthaya.

The subsequent 130-odd years saw the VOC attain significant influence with a predictable subsequent decline as Siamese royal monopolisation of trade increased. Then, in late 1765, the Dutch left Ayutthaya immediately prior to the city's fall to Burmese invaders.

New Members Elected

<u>Name</u>	<u>Ancestor</u>	<u>Date of Election</u>
Richard Renato Paul di Stefano	John Carman	April 30, 2018
Timothy B. Hennessey	Isaac DeTurk	April 30, 2018
Adam Paige Hess	Jan Joosten Van Meteren	April 30, 2018
Todd J. Holder	Hope Carpenter	October 1, 2018
Joel Edward Strauch	Johan Nicholas Schaeffer	October 1, 2018
Ryan John Woods	Abraham Van Deusen	October 1, 2018
John Ettwein Arbo	John Ettwein	January 14, 2019
Samuel Plant Chapin Dangremond	Abial Alby Smith	January 14, 2019
Chandler Dean Elwyn	Andre L'Amoreaux	January 14, 2019
Richard Dana Lester	Daniel Conklin	January 14, 2019
William Wickenden Rich	Rev. William Wickenden	January 14, 2019
Walter Longstreet Deane	Captain Nathan Fish	April 29, 2019
Colin Henderson Hinrichs	Francis Baldwin	April 29, 2019
John Lawrence McWilliams	Captain George Darrow	April 29, 2019
Patrick Dylan Smith	Dirck Jamsen Van Der Vliet	April 29, 2019
Joseph Hugh Smith	William Norwood Parsons	April 29, 2019
Ellis Smedley Ward	John Burling Lawrence	April 29, 2019
Joseph Jessop Warren	Ebenezer Fisk	April 29, 2019
William Pfungst Carrell	Captain Michael Dunning	September 23, 2019
William North Dye	James Dye	September 23, 2019
Brian Thomas Egan	Thurston Raynor	September 23, 2019
Ronald W. Fenstermacher	Rachel Willits	September 23, 2019
Justin D. Greer-MacGregor	Richard Stout	September 23, 2019
Randall Alan Hammond	Paul Yeaton	September 23, 2019
David Allen Heiden	Lion Gardiner	September 23, 2019
Paul R. Nelson	John Bowne	September 23, 2019
Willis Spurgin Taylor	Captain Reuben Taylor	September 23, 2019
Francis Aloysius O'Donnell	Pieter Claesen Wyckoff	January 13, 2020
Robert Henry Scarborough	Simeon Brant	January 13, 2020
Henry Taliaferro Rich	Rev. William Wickenden	January 14, 2020
Evans Deane Turner	Evans Deane	January 14, 2020
Clifford I. Van Voorhees	Steven Coerte Van Voorhees	January 14, 2020
Shervin Bahl Hawley	Jacob Walings van Winkle	May 4, 2020
Owen Andrew Kloter	Dirck Storm	May 4, 2020
Austin William Lamac	William Conklin	May 4, 2020
Thomas Briggs Rice	John Nutting	May 4, 2020
Edward Peter Stringham	Cornelius Barantse Van Wyck	May 4, 2020
Edward Deming Andrews	Domine Everardus Bogardus	September 20, 2020
Matthew Mitchell Breen	Anthony de Hooges	September 21, 2020
Matthew David Dupee	Henry Farnham	September 21, 2020
Jonathan Bradford Hall	John Searing	September 21, 2020
William Frank Pollard, Jr.	Major Aquila Giles	September 21, 2020
John Cox Booker	Pieter Claesen Wyckoff	January 25, 2021

New Members Elected *(continued)*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Ancestor</i>	<i>Date of Election</i>
William Frederick Forbes	Tench Coxe	Jan. 25, 2021
Andrew Seton Post Lindh	John Pell	Jan. 25, 2021
John Gilbert Brim	Ensign Henry Loop	May 3, 2021
Grady Cornelius Edwards II	George Remer	May 3, 2021
George William Haas	Simeon Pool	May 3, 2021
Nicholas Niles	John Pell	May 3, 2021
John Stephen Rando Jr.	John Halliard/Hillyer	May 3, 2021
Michael Charles Robey	Pieter Claesen Wyckoff	May 3, 2021
Peter Joseph Whitney Sherwin	Dirck Jansen Van der Vliet	May 3, 2021
Francis Michael Spano III	Dirck Jansen Van der Vliet	May 3, 2021
Thomas Warren Thaler	Benjamin Warren	May 3, 2021
James Faulkner Tolles	Henry Dayton	Jan. 25, 2021
Edward Nicholas Brown	Wilhelm Strader	Sept. 27, 2021
Charles Palmer Carroll	William Palmer	Sept. 27, 2021
Brooks Sandeman Clark	John Scott	Sept. 27, 2021
Charles E. Dorkey III	Morris Earle	Jan. 25, 2022

SALMAGUNDI

Weathercock Cufflinks



In December 2019, a friend of member David Rich spotted a pair of cufflinks with our weathercock on them. In due course, David became the owner of the cufflinks. Member Gary Dycus admired them and asked about possibly copying them. David generously lent one to Gary who had a copy made.

We have been unable to determine when and for what occasion the cufflinks were made. We could not find any marks on the originals, which have swivel backs and are gold plate on base metal. The original casting is very fine with excellent detail, as are the reproductions.

Members with any information on the history of this fine St. Nicholas Society artifact are asked to contact the office.

Members interested in their own set should contact Gary at garydycus@aol.com, and he will put you in touch with the goldsmith who made copies. They are available in a variety of metals and finishes.

As of December 31, 2018, the Saint Nicholas Society of New York City had 364 members and at February 28, 2022 the Society had 375 members. Many thanks to those who proposed and seconded candidates. New members are the life-blood of our Society and continued referral of qualified prospects will be appreciated.

2018 Events

Winter Stated Meeting in Palm Beach, February 3rd, Cafe Boulud at The Brazilian Court Hotel

2018 Paas Festival Ball, April 6th, Racquet & Tennis Club

- Presenting Miss Caroline Bancrop Burnham, Miss Catherine Gregory Burnham, Miss Shelby Carr, and Miss Julia Preston Faulkner Jeffries

Spring Stated Meeting, May 17th, Racquet & Tennis Club

- The Washington Irving Medal for Literary Excellence was awarded to Nathaniel Philbrick for his books *In the Heart of the Sea* and *Valiant Ambition*

Welcome Back Party, September 19th, Saint Nicholas Society's offices

- With the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of New York

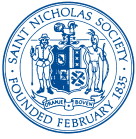
Tour of Sunnyside and lunch at New Leaf Cafe, October 13th

Fall Stated Meeting, October 18th, The Knickerbocker Club

- Peter Pennoyer presentation on the architecture of The Knickerbocker Club

184th Feast of Saint Nicholas, December 7th, The Union Club

- Medal of Merit awarded to Adele Chatfield-Taylor



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— **NECROLOGY** —

A listing of those we have lost since the last publication of the Weathercock (Spring 2018):

<i>Name</i>	<i>Ancestor</i>	<i>Date of Election</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
Clarence Fahnestock Michalis	Johann Diedrich Fahrenstuck	4/28/58	3/30/18
Michael S. DeL. Neill	Nicholas Bayard	10/2/67	5/21/18
Arthur Phillips Sultan	Naphtali Phillips	2/17/87	10/3/18
Dean Gillette Van Nest	Pieter Pieterse Van Nest	10/2/61	3/26/19
William R. Miller	Major Jacobus Swartout	9/29/69	4/21/19
Robert Parker Morse	Richard Denton	4/30/79	4/25/19
Perry Edwards Hall Smith	Matthys Jansen	1/17/72	5/14/19
George H. C. Lawrence	William Lawrence	4/30/84	6/18/19
Brian Poor Townsend Blake	John Townsend	1/20/69	10/3/19
Robert Guestier Goelet	Francis Goelet	3/2/42	10/8/19
William Rutherford Firth Jr., DDS	Christopher Leaming	9/28/70	3/3/20
William Rutherford Firth Jr., DDS	Christopher Leaming	9/28/70	3/6/20
Philip Kerry Curtis	Edward Howell	1/13/20	7/9/20
Randall Hayden Hathaway Madry	Louis Bevier	4/29/19	7/29/20
D. Weston Darby Jr.	Samuel Shed	10/14/76	9/25/20
Kent Leon Straat	Dirk Straatenmaker	10/2/67	2/18/21
William Potter Johns	Domine Everardus Bogardus	10/4/76	10/29/21
David Butler Vietor	Sander Leendentse Glan	5/2/94	2/8/22
Richard Dickinson J. Constable	William Lawrence	10/6/65	2/13/22

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