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Due to ever increasing costs of postage and printing, the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Virginia increasingly will use electronic communication in lieu of mailed communication.

Our new membership management system, Wild Apricot, enables us to integrate our website and database management into one platform. Dues notifications and payments, registration for special events, an event calendar, newsletters, etc., are all part of this secure, member access only, site. Additionally, you will have the ability to update your personal information, again in a secure application.

In addition to streamlining our administrative tasks, this will create a significant cost savings. An average mailing to our membership now averages \$750 in postage and printing; mailings represent almost 20% of our annual budget. Wild Apricot allows us unlimited email communications and even tracks payments and automatically generates and sends receipts to members for those payments. We believe this is a significant step forward.

In the future, mailed communication will be very limited. If you have not activated your account on the vascw.org website, please do so. Go to:

https://vascw.org and click on "Login"

Login with your email and password. If you have forgotten your password or not activated your account, click on the forgot password link and you will be prompted to create a new password. The email address is the one at which you received this communication.

You may also check our website, <a href="www.vascw.org">www.vascw.org</a>, to stay informed of events and news about the society. We will rely upon the website for event registration and payment. We hope you will take advantage of our new site. We are still in our infancy, so bear with us as we continue to improve the site and take advantage of all its benefits.

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En Dat Virginia Quintum (Behold, Virginia gives the fifth) was the motto on the Colonial Seals of Virginia until 1707. The motto signified Virginia was the fifth royal realm after England, France, Ireland and Scotland. With the Acts of Union in 1707, unifying the English and Scottish crowns, the motto was changed to En Dat Virginia Quartum.