

10/18/23 Survey minutes:

The SCCC met at 10:00 AM in the parking lot of the Stafford County Administration Building, by the War Memorial, on 18 Oct 2023.

Members in attendance

Anita Dodd
Linda Belles

The volunteers visited 2 church graveyards. The purpose was to photograph and record all new burials that could be identified and update the maps in the surveys on file.

- The first graveyard was Aquia Episcopal Church. Anita met with church staff to share any updates. Staff said that over 200 burials have taken place since the last SCCC survey done. Staff said that some were buried in the new section, but most were interred in family plots throughout the graveyard. They also gave Anita a new copy of the graveyard layout.
- The second graveyard visited was the Shiloh (New Site) Church, located at 2982 Richmond Highway. New burials were documented.

The survey trip finished around 12:00 PM.

Via phone to volunteer Debbi Shelton-Scites after the survey, Anita decided that more volunteers were needed to physically update the Aquia survey. The next survey trip will be November 8, 2023 and the next Regular Public Meeting will be Wednesday, November 15, 2023. Debbi will send out an email to invite membership to participate at both.

OLD BUSINESS: Memorial Day Event- Debbi contacted Mr. Perkins. His son has graduated VMI and has begun his active Military career. As such, he will not have the free time to clean the Gray Cemetery for it to be included in the 2024 Memorial Day event. Debbi is compiling an updated list of Veterans buried in Stafford as new candidates for the event and will bring the list to the next public meeting.