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AHS PLANS ARLINGTON'S CELEBRATION OF USA's 250^{TH}

Virginia 250 – First Semiquincentennial Planning Meeting Ellen M. Bozman Government Center November 6, 2023, 7:00 pm (EDT)

Last Monday, the Arlington Historical Society (AHS) facilitated the first community meeting to plan Arlington's celebration of the United States's Semiquincentennial (or 250th Anniversary) in 2026. AHS has been designated as the official coordinator of the Arlington's celebrations taking place from now until 2027.

In a standing room only conference room at the Bozman Government Center were representatives of Arlington's civic life including community, arts, performance, service, and veterans' groups as well as officials from the National Park Service, and Joint Base Fort Myer-Henderson Hall. All present asked questions, offered ideas, and committed to continued involvement.

Events will reflect ALL of Arlington, our people, our diversity, and our outsized role in the history of the United States, celebrating a revolution of ideas and who we are as a county, state, and country.

The next meeting is planned for early 2024 where it's expected that more groups will join the effort and we'll divide into workgroups and committees.

If you or your organization have not received an invitation, please email the Arlington Historical Society: <u>info@arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org</u>

For more information on Virginia 250:

https://arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org/2023/10/arlington-250-commemorations-and-celebrations/