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COVER STORY

George Washington: The Man Behind the Image, the current DAR Museum Exhibit, opened to rave reviews on February 1, 1994. Sponsored jointly by the National Society and the Mount Vernon Ladies Association, the exhibit brings together objects from both collections that offer an unique look at the personal and private life of a very public figure.

The centerpiece of the Exhibit is a life-size portrait of George Washington by Gilbert Stuart surrounded by symbols of his role as national leader and private citizen. Featured on the cover for March, this stately figure of Washington is through the courtesy of the Dimmock Gallery, George Washington University (Washington, DC) Permanent Collection.

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Dear Daughters,

I know you share with me great pride in being part of an organization which, throughout its history, has promoted those ideals which remain so important to the well being of American society today. Throughout our history, we have stood firmly for a strong national defense, campaigned for greater emphasis on quality education, have promoted individual initiative and rewarded excellence. We have spoken out against overwhelming and repressive government interference in the affairs of our citizens. We have given fully of our time and treasure to help keep America on the path so well blazed by our Revolutionary ancestors.

We have much of which to be proud and should step forward forcefully whenever the occasion arises to promote our causes and the goals we share with our founding fathers.

Recent events in Russia should remind us all of the fragile nature of freedom and democracy. We still live in a very uncertain world and the need to maintain a strong national defense should be obvious to all.

The need for constant vigilance toward and marked improvement in the quality of education being given to our children and grandchildren should replenish our resolve to become more active in educational programs throughout this great country of ours. Those of you who have read recent articles on this subject in this magazine can attest to the seriousness of this vital issue.

We must continue to insist that the leaders of our nation, whether Senators, Congressmen, Governors, Mayors, educators, businessmen or editorial columnists support legislation which encourage individual initiatives and rewards excellence. We must encourage everyone to reach their highest level of achievement and we must minimize restraints on the productive forces in our economy.

We can rightfully take great pride in being members of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution which has so steadfastly promoted those lasting ideals and concepts.

The Renovation of Constitution Hall is underway. The needs for the project are real and they are pressing. I encourage all of you to support this undertaking to the best of your ability. We have taken steps to ensure that every dollar contributed toward the renovation of Constitution Hall will be spent wholly and only for that purpose.

Plans for the 103rd Continental Congress are just about complete. We encourage all of you to attend this four-day Congress which we know you will find action packed and enjoyable. I look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

Wayne B. Blair
GEORGE WASHINGTON COMES TO

Charles Willson Peale's handsome portrait of the mature Washington conveys some sense of the charismatic leader whom women found so attractive. Photo courtesy Virginia Historical Society.

By
Catherine Tuggle,
Director of Museum Services
Martha Parke Custis received this miniature of her stepgrandfather as a gift from him on the occasion of her marriage to Thomas Peter in 1794. From the George and Martha Washington Collection of Tudor Place Foundation, Inc.; photo by Mark Gulezian.

THE DAR MUSEUM

On February 1, 1994 the DAR Museum and the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union opened a jointly-sponsored exhibition entitled, George Washington: The Man Behind the Image. This exhibition was the result of a dream both institutions shared—an exhibition to honor the nation's first president and to make him as interesting to the public as he is to us. The plans for the show were hatched almost two years before when it became apparent that both institutions would benefit from such a co-operative effort. We could both learn from each other and gain from the specialized expertise each had. No organization has more experience with and knowledge of George Washington, his family and his home than Mount Vernon. The DAR Museum has skill in devising and developing exhibitions which inform and entertain. Mount Vernon and the DAR
Above, this serving board is attributed to London cabinet maker Phillip Bell, from whom Washington bought many items during the 1760s. According to family history, mush cakes were baked daily on this griddle for George Washington's breakfast. Both objects from the George and Martha Washington Collection of Tudor Place Foundation, Inc.

Photo by Mark Gulezian.

Museum were united in their devotion to preserving past and educating the public about the revolutionary ideals embodied in Washington. It was a marriage destined to succeed.

We faced several problems at the start. The first was the expense of mounting an exhibition which would display priceless, irreplaceable objects, some of which had never before been shown to the public. The membership and Boards of both institutions pledged their support wholeheartedly. Without the inspiration and leadership of Mrs. H. Taylor Morrissette, Regent of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, and Mrs. Donald Shattuck Blair, President General of the NSDAR, no exhibition of this size and scope would have been possible. Throughout the entire process, Mrs. Roger Wrenn Carroll, Curator General, gave freely of her knowledge of the period.

Another problem was that neither of our institutions alone or together had enough that belonged to or was associated with the first president to make the points we had in mind. With such solid backing from our respective Board members, the staffs of both Mount Vernon and the DAR Museum were able to approach the major institutions in this country holding Washingtoniana in their collections. Tudor Place, the repository of the Peter family collection, was the third most important participant in this enterprise. They lent such personal objects as Washington's griddle, a piece of soap he used, and his camp stool. The National Portrait Gallery and the

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George Washington owned this gorget as a colonel in the Virginia militia, and wore it when Charles Willson Peale painted his portrait in 1772. A gorget is a symbolic remnant of a medieval suit of armor. From the Massachusetts Historical Society.

Virginia Historical Society lent their priceless portraits of Washington as an old man and as a young soldier. And the George Washington University sent their full-length Gilbert Stuart portrait to be our exhibition's centerpiece.

The first two obstacles were overcome with perseverance, but the greatest one was George Washington himself. During his lifetime, he became a symbol for all that was hoped for by the new nation and in the process his humanity was obscured. His death in 1799 ensnared him in legend and cast him forever in the role of savior of the country and father of its democracy. The result was that although Americans revere Washington, they do not feel affection for him, and his status in their minds as a kind of secular saint removed him from the course of rigorous study that would throw light on his private life and character. We wanted to find the man behind the image responsible for making him so inaccessible in the first place.

We all agreed that the most widely recognized image of Washington was Gilbert Stuart's "Athenaeum" head, the likeness which adorns the dollar bill. Although a fine portrait, the Stuart painting depicts a stiff, formal, and aloof Washington and places a visual barrier between us and the man. For this reason, we chose to make the nine-foot, full-length version owned by George Washington University the first thing visitors to the exhibition see. Dressed in black civilian clothes, Washington stands beside a table topped with books and documents. All around him are symbols of his authority, symbols that we of the twentieth century find difficult to decipher. Confronted by this stern and forbidding figure, the visitor is immediately brought face to face with the image that one has in mind. But the visitor is asked to step behind the portrait figuratively and literally, to reach through to the real man who took an active part in constructing the legend and the image.

Walking around behind the portrait, the visitor sees Washington as Charles Willson Peale painted him—a young man and colonel in the Virginia regiment between 1754-1758. Washington commissioned the portrait in 1772 to accompany one done by John Wollaston of his wife, Martha, as a young woman. The gilded brass gorget Washington wears in the portrait is juxtaposed to the Peale painting. The gorget was a sign of Washington's rank in the regiment. Many viewers may be surprised when introduced to Washington as a young man, a man not yet enmeshed in fame. They will be reminded that Washington produced himself, as we all do, through upbringing and education. They will see the books he used to educate himself, books that range in subject matter from geography to poetry, from literature to gardening. Objects related to his occupations such as a pencil, ruler and compass used in drafting, and his surveyor's chain tell of a time when Washington was neither a great military nor presidential figure.

Nothing is more personal or

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Above, George Washington's comb and comb case are shown with a finger bowl which he owned and a portrait miniature of him by Walter Robertson. The George and Martha Washington Collection of Tudor Place Foundation, Inc., photo by Mark Gulezian.

The nineteenth-century photograph (below) shows George Washington's sixteen-sided barn which built in the 1790s. Destroyed in the 1870s, the barn will soon be reconstructed at Mount Vernon. Photo, Mount Vernon Ladies' Association.

telling than a person's clothing and grooming aids. Washington was proud of his appearance and loved to wear good clothes as his letter to his tailor attests. He described himself as "full six feet high . . . with pretty long Arms and thighs." Here is evidence of a man who took care to look his best: his powder bag and puff, his comb and case, a soap fragment, and his stockings and shoe buckles. The glimpse these personal possessions provide of a man who was somewhat vain and always conscious of the appearance he presented foreshadows the care he would take in manipulating his public image later in his career.

Washington extended his concern for image to his home and surroundings. The style in which he lived and presented
himself to visitors was indicative of his social and political importance. Mount Vernon was the focus of his attention for much of his adult life. The care he lavished on his residence is evident in the measured drawings he made of a large dining room he planned to add to the house and of the greenhouse that would serve as a nursery for plants and slave quarters. Washington maintained another household during his years as president. At that time, his private and public life came together; this is most obvious in the household possessions he acquired while president and took with him to Mount Vernon after his term. He received $25,000.00 per year while president and this money went entirely for expenses. The exhibition has a ledger kept by Archibald Robertson kept the miniatures he painted of George and Martha Washington in 1791 and 1792. They descended in his family until acquired by Colonial Williamsburg. Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, photo by Hans Lorenz.
Washington from April through June 1794 for just such expenses. A panel from a presidential coach and an invitation to attend a tea tell us about the ceremonial aspects of office. The things Washington purchased for the presidential household were destroyed when the White House burned in 1814, but many of those he paid for himself are still extant because he took them to Mount Vernon when he retired. Plates and serving pieces, some furniture such as a French armchair and piano stool, Argand lamp and salt, are all relics of life at Mount Vernon.

Mount Vernon was more than a beautiful home on the Potomac River. It was also a farm and the site of Washington's attempts to improve agricultural techniques through experimentation and hard work. A map shows the five farms that composed Mount Vernon and immediately the visitor is confronted with the evil that accompanied agricultural production in Virginia, slavery. Although some slaves lived in the heated greenhouse mentioned earlier, most lived in buildings on the periphery of the Mount Vernon lanes. At the time of his death, the Washingtons owned 316 slaves, making Mount Vernon the largest slave community in Fairfax County. The exhibition tries to recapture their lives with woodworking tools, a bee skip, and the implements of their household duties such as the butter churn and candle mold. We have an inventory of his slaves in Washington's own hand and a bill submitted by Dr. Craik for medical services rendered to all

This wax portrait of Washington is attributed to London artist Joseph Wright. The George and Martha Washington Collection of Tudor Place Foundation, Inc.; photo by Mark Gulezian.
the inhabitants of Mount Vernon. What emerges from all this evidence is a picture of an entrepreneur who felt torn between his desire to run an economically sound business and his moral qualms about the institution of slavery. Washington's will promised freedom to his slaves upon his wife's death although Martha chose to emancipate them during her lifetime.

Martha Washington, though not a focus of this exhibit, played a major role in her husband's life and career. Her marriage to him brought him social prestige and wealth, and more than that, affection and caring. Martha was a congenial spouse and their marriage was a comfortable and supportive one. Washington's affection for his wife is expressed in a letter he wrote to her during the Revolutionary War in which he asks her to visit him. She responded by spending eight winters in harsh conditions at his headquarters, risking bad weather and worse roads, possible capture and probable illness. This letter is remarkable not only for the insight it provides into their relationship but also because it is one of only two letters which survive from their nearly forty years of correspondence. Martha, fearing an invasion of their privacy, destroyed all the others upon her husband's death.

The exhibition contains a number of objects that refer to Martha including her spectacles, a cushion she worked for a Windsor chair, and a necklace made from the seed pearls which encrusted her wedding dress. Martha was the center of the family and it was around

George Washington by Jean-Baptiste Le Paon was first exhibited in France in 1782. It served as the basis for an engraved portrait of Washington by Le Mire which had wide circulation in Europe. Photo, Mount Vernon Ladies' Association.
Most Americans are familiar with the so-called “Athenaeum” portrait of George Washington. This diverse group of objects gives a sense of why this is so. Photo by Mark Gulezian.

her that all the relationships circled. We have used homey and family-oriented objects to portray this aspect of her life. Less formal pieces such as a china platter, pewter charger, and the griddle upon which Washington’s mush cakes were cooked daily for his breakfast reflect the domestic side. Two images evoke the familial side of Washington. Benjamin Henry Latrobe’s watercolor, Tea at Mount Vernon, and Edward Savage’s engraving of The Washington Family place Washington in the context of his wife and step grandchildren, George Washington Parke Custis (“Washy”), and Eleanor Parke Custis (“Nelly”). Washington, by most accounts, was a caring but stern stepfather who could not accept weakness in others any more than he could in himself.

Washington’s strength of character and his overwhelming sense of duty is no where more apparent than in his lifelong military career. He was engaged in the military throughout his adulthood. As late as 1798, one year before his death, Washington was recalled to lead the army when war with France seemed eminent. It is fitting that the exhibition include many images of Washington as military leader. Two stunning portraits make the point. The Virginia Historical Society graciously lent the Museum its Charles Willson Peale portrait and Mount Vernon included its newly acquired and seldom seen French painting by Jean-Baptiste Le Paon. A silver cockade worn by Washington on his tricorn hat, pistols he presented to his aide, Tench Tilghman, his camp stool and towel with its cross-stitched laundry mark worked by Martha, and his field trunk construct a picture of the man as soldier.

Washington was a husband, farmer, stepfather, soldier, politician and president. His life became part of the legend of this country’s founding. His death transformed him from hero to mythic legend. The exhibition deals with this transformation with a small section on Washington’s last days. Rembrandt Peale’s realistic portrait
of the aged Washington hints at his mortality. Another depiction by his physician, Dr. Dick, shows that his life was winding to a close. Washington reveals his own premonition of his approaching death in a note written to the Masons of Alexandria, Virginia. He declined their invitation to a ball saying, “Alas, our dancing days are no more.” His death a month later was the occasion for public mourning and the beginning of two centuries of reverential homage paid to his memory.

The final section of the exhibition showcases the “relics” people treasured that had some attachment to Washington. A spoon owned by an aide-de-camp and used when Washington visited his home, a fragment of a dress worn by a woman when she danced with him at a ball, and a wood fragment from his original casket were all cherished by their owners and passed down in their families. This section testifies to the status afforded Washington by the American public, the status of a secular saint.

No relic was more commonly kept than hair. The DAR Museum has some in its collection as do many other institutions. The question arose concerning the authenticity of so many pieces of hair. We have been fortunate to have secured the help of the FBI in settling the matter. The FBI has agreed to do mitochondrial DNA testing on the samples we supplied from both of our institutions as well as several others on the East Coast. The results are due in early summer. We are pleased that the FBI has chosen to use our project to test its protocols for this scientific process which they hope will be useful in criminal investigations.

This well-received exhibition has benefited the National Society as well as the DAR Museum through the extensive and positive national coverage it has garnered. It will bring in thousands of local school children and serve as an introduction to the good work the Daughters perform in the service of history. The DAR Museum has absorbed its share of the cost and is struggling to replenish its coffers so that more exhibitions of the same high quality can be mounted. The membership is the museum’s benefactor and we are grateful to all the individuals, chapters, and state societies who have already given generously. Donations are still needed and will be accepted throughout the run of the exhibition which ends on September 1, 1994. For more information about George Washington: The Man Behind the Image or to make a donation in support of the museum please write to us at the DAR Museum, 1776 D. St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006, or call us at 202-879-3241.

Your gift of $500.00, which can come from a state, chapter or individual, will entitle you to choose from either a small branched red maple or tulip poplar tree or 12 boxwood plants. The trees and boxwoods are taken from those planted by George Washington himself at Mount Vernon and are the closest physical link you can have with the Father of Our Country. Your choice will be shipped to you for planting at your home, chapter house, or historic site. Should you feel able to donate $1000.00 you may select two plants. A gift of $2500.00 entitles you to two plants, your name in the donors’ place of honor in the Museum, and in the catalogue, and invitations to receptions, lectures and evening entertainments held during the exhibition. If you are unable to attend, you may designate someone to go in your place.

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When President Clinton held up his now-famous health card on television, it wasn't a credit card or a bank card. It was a RATION card, and rationing is the bottom line of his federal health care "reform."

The Administration's proposal is not about universal health CARE; it is about COVERAGE. We already have universal CARE today because nobody is denied essential care. Universal COVERAGE means universal CONTROL by Big Government.

The Health Ration Card will entitle you to medical care only when a duly authorized Gatekeeper gives advance approval of specific services to be provided by designated doctors or other providers who are members of your plan in your Regional Collective Alliance. If you attempt to use your Ration Card outside of the one-tiered, government-authorized system, you will be criminally prosecuted. If use is attempted outside your own geographic area without prior approval from your Collective's Gatekeeper, care will be denied.

The Administration's proposal will take away your right to choose your own doctor. You may, perhaps, be able to choose your "plan," but there is no assurance you will get into the plan you choose if it is oversubscribed.

The Administration's proposal will force every American to buy basic health coverage from a Regional Health Alliance—a newly coined phrase that means a government monopoly, sort of like collective farms in the old Soviet Union. It will be the "obligation" of every individual to enroll, and if you don't enroll promptly, you will be charged double for your insurance.

The Administration's proposal will take away your right to spend your own money for better medical care. No matter how hard you work to provide for your family, to buy a better house, a better car, or send your children to better schools, it will be illegal to buy your family better medical care or see a physician specialist on your own, outside of what your Alliance authorizes. If you try to do this, you will be subject to criminal prosecution.

The Health Ration Card is NOT GOOD with physician specialists unless authorized and available (and they will become scarcer every year under the Administration's plan to restrict who may train to become a specialist). Uwe Reinhardt, professor of political economy at Princeton University, said: "I think there should be no doubt that the Clinton plan is basically tailored to destroy the solo, self-employed private-practice physician." The National Health Board may even require cardholders to accept care by non-physician providers (such as midwives instead of obstetricians).

A NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD. The Ration Card will give government personnel access to all your personal medical records. The National Health Board will establish national, unique identifier numbers for every single American. Every time you visit a doctor or get a prescription or go to the hospital, the information will be recorded by use of the number on your Health Ration Card.

A national computer data bank will hold all your most personal medical records. Your records are not supposed to be seen by "unauthorized" personnel, but you will not be able to determine who is authorized.

This amounts to a national identification card, the sure indicia of a state in which Big Brother monitors your movements. It also amounts to an internal passport system. That's the way life was under Soviet Communism—everyone was required to check in with the commissar when traveling as far as 30 miles from home.

"Global budgeting" is the code word for the Administration's proposal to put Big Government in charge of how ALL public and private health-care money is spent. Rationing and price controls will be the principal techniques of meeting the budget goals. "Global budgeting" will also enable the government to redistribute public and private spending away from purposes the bureaucrats think are less necessary, and toward
DANGERS IN GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED HEALTH CARE

purposes that suit their ideology or give them a political advantage.

Tens of millions of Americans will have to pay more for health insurance than they are now paying. The Administration's health proposal will then redistribute the money into (a) a new $2 billion federal bureaucracy, (b) a promise of universal coverage for the currently uninsured (no matter how expensive their lifestyles), (c) a bailout of the three auto companies and other Fortune 500 corporations that made bad business decisions by promising gold-plated health insurance for early retirees, and (d) making sure that special-interest kinds of health care are covered, such as all abortions, all mental disorders, and condom clinics in all schools.

Rationing will be imposed by an interlocking network of bureaucrats wielding unprecedented power. Under the National Health Board (which will include politicians and lawyers but not physicians) will be a new oligarchy of Gatekeepers with the power to limit costs by (a) capping health insurance premiums so no money is available for first-class health care, (b) putting a prohibitive surcharge on those who stubbornly insist on first-class health care, and (c) denying treatment to those whom the Gatekeepers determine have a poor "quality of life."

The very idea that the Federal Government is demanding to run all of health care—one-seventh of our nation's economy—is mind boggling. Just imagine the management decisions involved in redistributing the funds and services for 15 percent of our Gross Domestic Product!

Bureaucrats will have to decide the premiums and payment formula for each individual plan in each Regional Collective Alliance, when enrollment is to be frozen in high-cost plans and how much surcharges will be, who will get subsidies and how much, the standards and guidelines for the care provided by different kinds of doctors, and the price controls to be imposed on doctors and drug companies.

Under the Administration's proposal, this new army of federal bureaucrats will take over the national regulation of insurance and the absorption of automobile medical insurance into the system. They will make decisions as to how many doctors will be permitted to train as specialists, in which specialties and at what hospitals. They will establish an intricate scheme to force payments from self-employed and part-time workers.

The Gatekeepers will decide how often you can get a physical exam at every different age of your life, how many physical exams and doctor visits each citizen will be permitted, what immunizations each one will get and at what age, who gets eye exams and who doesn't, when to cut off services for terminally ill people, and how that cut-off is defined.

The Administration's health care proposal is genuine socialism—an attempt to control every aspect of U.S. health care under a National Health Board functioning like a Communist Central Committee. Nothing so totalitarian has ever before been proposed in the history of our democratic republic.

BAILOUT OF BIG BUSINESS. The Administration's health "reform" depends for its financing on forcing every employer in the country to provide health insurance for all employees through mandating a payroll tax. The tax on most employers will be 7.9 percent of payroll; businesses with fewer than 75 employees will pay less on a sliding scale down to 3.5 percent of payroll. That clearly will result in a loss of jobs.

The Administration's proposal provides a financial windfall to big business while pushing small business to the edge of bankruptcy. It is a plan to dump onto the taxpayers the financial burden of big corporations' mistakes in making unrealistic commitments for generous health benefits to their retirees. At the same time, the Administration's proposal will drive their small competitors out of business or force them to lay off workers by requiring them to provide health insurance they can't afford.

This proposal is all laid out in exquisite detail in the current annual report of General Motors. GM demands "programs designed to ease the retiree health burden of firms in mature industries" (e.g., the big three auto companies),
which would be financed "through broad-based taxes and general revenues" specified as "a properly structured value-added tax, an income tax or a payroll tax." GM demands that the government force the little guys to buy health insurance even though the economic consequences will be devastating.

The Administration's proposal is also a gigantic double advantage for the five biggest insurance companies. They will profit tremendously because they have invested heavily in managed care organizations (such as HMOs and PPOs), which are eligible to join the Collective Alliances. At the same time, the Administration's proposal will run their competitors out of business. About 500 of the smaller insurance companies are expected to go out of business if the Administration's proposal is adopted because real risk insurance in the health care field will be prohibited.

Americans will not adapt easily to being subjected to "managed care" in "health alliances." The Journal of the American Medical Association reported on August 18, 1993 about a Johns Hopkins study which found that, while some employers have already transferred their employees into big managed care organizations, most patients don't like it. Patients are particularly dissatisfied with how long they have to wait to get appointments and how long it takes to get through to doctor's offices by telephone. Long waits and rationing are just two of the ways that the large prepaid managed care organizations restrict access to services in order to contain costs.

In contrast to the Administration's health care "reform," alternative proposals in Congress would permit Americans to set up tax-free individual medical savings accounts, combined with catastrophic coverage. These proposals are worker-friendly, taxpayer-friendly, and offer the only real chance of lowering medical costs. They would put decision-making in the hands of the individual rather than the bureaucrats.

MENTAL HEALTH COVERAGE WILL BE EXPENSIVE. Mental health care coverage will be part of the "standard benefits package" that all health plans will be required to offer under the Administration's "reform." We are told that this decision was made after eight weeks of "nightmares" trying to calculate the costs. The nightmares will really begin if the plan ever goes into effect.

Mental health services are one of the most expensive of all health services, according to a 1992 study by Blue Cross Blue Shield of the services mandated by individual states. The study reported that state mandates on employers to include mental health care resulted in increased utilization with higher costs. In Maryland, for example, the outpatient mental health care visits had an average growth rate of 21 percent per year, without any offsetting decline elsewhere.

Here is one anecdotal piece of evidence about how universal mental health coverage would work. A physician told me this true story, and I'm going to let him tell it in his own words:

"A male mechanic, who allegedly injured his wrist and developed pain, came to me as a patient. Even though treatment and, finally, surgery went well, he still complained of pain and said he could not work. I sent him to another surgeon for a second opinion, who reported back to me that he could find nothing wrong with the man.

"The next time I saw this patient, he told me that things were not going well. He said he had lost his job and his family. I asked why he lost his family, fearing some kind of tragedy. He told me he was 'beating' his family and they left him. I asked why he was beating his family.

"He told me that, following one of his outbursts, he was taken to a hospital emergency room where 'they' diagnosed him as having 'explosive disorder syndrome.' 'They' advised hospitalization for treatment of this problem, but told him it would be at his own expense since he no longer had health insurance. He declined hospitalization.'

Under mandated mental health coverage, this man would be able to check into the psychiatric wing of a hospital for a month of "treatment" and not have to worry about the cost. The bill will just be sent to the taxpayers. To create a new welfare entitlement to care for those with "explosive disorder syndrome" and similar "illnesses" would reward misbehavior and punish those who work and pay taxes by forcing them to bear the costs.

My doctor friend is not alone in calling attention to the abuse that will surely be rampant in any national mental health coverage. Those who work with bona fide mental illness believe that broad definitions of mental illness are unjust to those who are truly mentally ill.

The definition of what is mental illness is basic to the whole idea of mental health coverage. In May 1993, the Federal Government published a new definition in the Federal Register that is so broad that it will allow many who are simply misbehaving to compete for treatment funds with those who are seriously ill.

The new government regulation includes in the definition of mentally ill all those who have, or have had in the preceding year, a diagnosable mental, behavioral or emotional disorder that interferes with one of more major activities in life, like dressing, eating or working. The definition for children says the disorder must interfere with activities like family relationships or school functions.

Laurie Flynn of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, which represents the families of those with serious mental illnesses, criticizes the new government regulations: "We are outraged. This appears to make almost any condition a serious mental illness. Common sense tells you this isn't true. Serious mental illnesses are schizophrenia, manic depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder, depression and other severe conditions; and the definitions should not include people who are merely adjusting to life stresses."

Miss Flynn has pointed out a real problem. My doctor friend's experience shows that some professionals are ready to diagnose wife and child beating as a mental illness called "explosive disorder syndrome," and then prescribe hospitalization. Maligners, wife beaters and child abusers are people who do bad things for which they should be punished. They should not be rewarded for their misbehavior by tender, loving care in the hospital at the taxpayers' expense.
QUESTIONS ABOUT HEALTH CARE. Here are 20 questions to ask your representatives about the Administration's Health Care proposal.

1. If I am dissatisfied with the care or diagnosis given by my health care plan, will I be able to go to a doctor outside of my plan and pay for his services out of my own pocket? Or is this what the plan calls "bribery in connection with health care" that will be subject to criminal penalties, such as up to 10 years imprisonment?

2. If the Gatekeeper of my plan puts me on a waiting list for surgery I need, and I feel that the wait is life-threatening (a situation that happens repeatedly in Canada), will it still be criminal for me to hire my own doctor and pay him myself?

3. If I want extra tests (X-rays, mammograms, pap smears, CT or MRI scans, etc.) that the Gatekeeper of my plan determines are unnecessary, will I be able to buy them with my own money? Or will this be criminal "bribery," too?

4. If my doctor in my plan prescribes treatment that does not meet federally approved practice guidelines, can I tell my doctor to go ahead and do it anyway and let me make the decision to accept the risks? Or will that make us both criminals subject to conviction and imprisonment if the treatment fails?

5. If I have an injury or condition that none of the doctors in my plan is able to cure, and the Gatekeeper refuses to authorize seeing a more experienced specialist of my choice outside of the plan, can I pay for his services myself, or will doing that make us criminals?

6. The National Health Board is supposed to set a "global" budget for all health care expenditures, public and private. Does this mean that health care services must be retained in order to meet budget targets? If not, what's the point of a budget?

7. Professional sports teams maintain their own physicians, usually orthopedic specialists, to provide immediate, first-rate medical care for their injured athletes. Will these athletes have to wait in line for Gatekeeper-approval of expensive surgery like everybody else (from ordinary workers to drug addicts), or will they be allowed to buy their own deluxe services that the rest of us are denied? And if so, why can't any group of citizens form a "sporting club" and hire their own physicians to bypass the government-controlled health plan?

8. If I am dissatisfied with my health care plan and need another specialist in an emergency, can I change to another plan immediately, or must I wait until next year's open-enrollment period?

9. Under England's health care system, thousands of people die from kidney failure every year because it is policy not to pay for dialysis on patients over 65 years old. If the National Health Board establishes a policy like this, will I have to go to a clinic in Mexico to get this treatment on my own?

10. Does "one-tiered system" mean that, no matter how hard I work to provide for my family, I will not be permitted to use my own money to buy the services of a better physician specialist if I am dissatisfied with the one assigned to me?

11. Does "universal" coverage mean that everyone will be forced to buy health insurance whether you want to or not? Many young healthy Americans with enough income to buy health insurance have made the personal decision that health insurance is a bad deal, and that it is more cost effective to pay for their health care costs out of pocket.

12. How are you going to force the self-employed to buy the health insurance they don't want? Are you going to send the federal police to arrest them or confiscate their bank accounts?

13. Why do you call it "universal coverage" if you don't cover illegal aliens? If health care is a fundamental "right," why don't poor aliens have that "right" as well as rich Americans? Will hospitals be permitted to turn away illegal aliens requiring emergency surgery?

14. The Administration's proposal says that "all employers . . . contribute a pro rata portion" of employees' health care insurance. Will I have to pay for my babysitter's health insurance?

15. I'm a non-smoker and my present health insurance gives me a discount for not smoking. Why does the Administration's proposal force me to pay for health insurance for the smokers?

16. My religion leads me to treat some of my medical problems without doctors or hospitals. Can I opt out of the Administration's proposal and avoid the costly health taxes?

17. I deal with stress through my religion rather than by seeing psychiatrists or psychologists. Can I save money on health insurance by not buying expensive mental health coverage for inpatient psychiatric hospitalization?

18. Will it be legal to have truly private hospitals, as we now have truly private and parochial schools? Or will hospitals be outlawed unless they conform to all federal regulations?

19. How much of the cost of the Administration's health proposal will go to bail out the big corporations that promised gold-plated health insurance to their early retirees and now want to dump this financial liability onto the American taxpayers?

20. Will burning your Health Card be protected by the First Amendment?

WHAT'S NOT IN THE PROPOSAL. When Congress passed the law that created Medicare, it promised not to interfere in the practice of medicine. Section 1801 of the 1965 Medicare Act stated: "Nothing in this title shall be construed to authorize any federal officer or employee to exercise any supervision or control over the practice of medicine, or the manner in which medical services are provided, or over the selection, tenure, or compensation of any officer, or employee, or any institution, agency or person providing health care services."

No such language appears in the Administration's health care proposal. In fact, there is NO language that protects your right to make your own health care decisions. (continued on page 260)
By Dorthy Marcussen Ross
Sgt. Caleb Hopkins Chapter
Springfield, Illinois
The Log Cabin
At Rebild
As upwards of twelve thousand gather for the official proceedings, they glance over the printed program each has received, where they find the words to “The Star Spangled Banner,” “America the Beautiful,” “Alexander's Ragtime Band,” “Side by Side,” “Auld Lang Syne,” and even “Uncle from Minnesota.” The United States Air Force Band, or one of similar standing, tunes up, and the day begins with music, visiting dancers, and the hoisting of the flags.

In years past, the principal speakers have included such distinguished Americans as Earl Warren, Ezra Taft Benson, Walt Disney, Richard M. Nixon, Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, Walter Cronkite, Hubert H. Humphrey, George Romney, Raymond Burr, Danny Kaye, Victor Borge, Edsel B. Ford II, Art Buchwald, Pat Boone, Beverly Sills, Maureen Reagan, Dionne Warwick, Wally Shirra, Richard Chamberlain and Garrison Keiler.

The holiday includes placing of a wreath at the Memorial Grove for patriots who lost their lives during World War II, and church services, as well as a garden party, concert in the village hall, a hangar party at the nearby air base, the Mayor's lunch, a Get Acquainted party at a hotel and a huge picnic.

Visitors come from all over the world to this unique celebration, and it is not at all uncommon to be able to visit with the Queen and other members of the royal family, at least one of whom is always in attendance.

The Queen? Royal Family? Celebrating the Fourth of July? Surely we jest. But perhaps knowing that this unique celebration is in the country of Denmark will help. And perhaps knowing that Denmark is the only nation in the world that celebrates OUR Independence Day as a national holiday, and in a national park constructed primarily for that purpose, will help you understand why Danish-Americans and American-Danes are so proud of the event.

Every July 4th since 1912, with the exception of the two world wars, large crowds have gathered in the heather-covered hills of Rebild in Jutland, Denmark, to celebrate the United States Independence Day, and the fraternal friend to Old Glory is, of course the beautiful red and white flag of Denmark, the oldest national flag in the world. At that first celebration, King Christian X addressed a gathering of 10,000.

The site of the celebration is the beautiful Rebild National Park, located 20 kilometers south of Aalborg in upper Jutland, presented to the Danish nation by Danish-Americans in 1912, as a token of the friendship between the two countries. The prime movers were Dr. Max Henius of Chicago and Ivar Kirkegaard of Racine, Wisconsin. It was Henius who presented, on behalf of his fellow Americans, the deeds to the two hundred acres of heather-covered land to H. H. King Christian X as a permanent memorial to Danish-Americans.

At the entrance to the National Park is a monument hewn by sculptor Anders Bundgaard, commemorating the Cimbers, very early emigrants; the stone was a gift from Soren J. Heiberg of Chicago to Dr. Henius, who in turn, presented it to the park. Its simple message reads, “The Cimbrians emigrated from these parts in the year 120 B.C.”

The two national flags also fly side-by-side in a natural amphitheater in the hills of Rebild, where music, entertainment and speeches by prominent Americans and Danes, and community singing are expressions of the bonds that unite the USA with Denmark.

Not far away, in the festive city of Aalborg, there is an extensive program of events, lasting several days, including concerts, exhibitions, conducted tours and other events of special interest to American visitors. Another site, though not given a place of honor, is a large granite stone that was found only accidentally in 1991 at the foot of Sonderkold, marking where a firing and observation post once stood. On it is carved the outline of a German helmet and German words referring to Rebild, and the date, 1940, a gloomy memory of the German occupation of Denmark during World War II.

From 1840 to 1914, more than 300,000 Danes emigrated to America, or about one of every ten, some because of overpopulation in their native land, and some to escape from being forced to serve in the armies of various German rulers (as was the case for my paternal grandfather Jens Marcussen of Skodstrup in 1881), for Germany and Denmark have long fought each other, with tiny Denmark usually unable to hold back the much stronger tides of German warfare. Other Danes came to America because they had heard of the freedoms enjoyed in this land across the
sea, and because they were not afraid to seek out the ultimate adventure. In those early days, the voyage under sail took between one and two months, in conditions that are scarcely imaginable today, although it did not deter the half a million Danes who came to America. With the advent of steamships about 1870, the voyage was reduced to ten to fifteen days.

On arrival in the new country after 1891, the immigrants had to pass through the "eye of the needle," on Ellis Island in New York, and many were forced to return to their homeland, for various reasons. Earlier emigrants came to our shores and were virtually on their own to find a place for themselves. Most continued on their way to the Midwest, by river boat, covered wagon and later, by train. Long caravans of covered wagons could be seen on their way across the prairies, and Danes accepted the hard life enroute, as well as the hard life they found on the prairies and in the forests of their new land, often developing a neighborly spirit that carried them through the troubled times.

The hard life gave unity, and many Danish religious, social, cultural and political organizations flourished. In the tiny town of Sheffield, Illinois, not far from the Tri-Cities area of Rock Island and Moline (IL) and Davenport (IA) they formed the St. Peter's Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in 1869, probably the oldest Danish church in America, where Mrs. Glendon D. Gustafson, then State Regent, and the Illinois Organization National Society Daughters of the American Revolution placed a marker in October of 1992, designating the church of historical significance. The church had been reconsecrated by Her Majesty, Queen Margrethe II of Denmark, on May 15, 1976, and was honored by the Danish Government Minister of Ecclesiastical Affairs who attended the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the church in 1980. (A famous poem by John Greenleaf Whittier was inspired while the poet was visiting friends in Sheffield; Hans Bertelsen left Lolland, Denmark in 1868 and came to Illinois, where he worked for a Yankee farmer named Curtis. Whittier saw the lad, barefoot and in rolled-up overalls as he walked the country roads and immortalized him in his poem, "Barefoot Boy." Bertelsen left Sheffield and studied for the ministry and also published the Danske Almanac and other Danish Lutheran publishings, at Dana College, Blair, Nebraska.)

The tradition of Rebild began in 1912, when Danish-Americans brought a piece of common ground with a view to preserving that stretch of heathland as a symbol of the poor soil that had been unable to feed those thousands who emigrated. The festival is planned each year by the Rebild National Park Society, Inc. a non-political association with the sole aim of promoting friendship between the people of Denmark and the United States. Membership is open to Danish and American citizens, and its offices are located at Hyldgardsminde, 9520 Skorping, Denmark, or closer to home, at 1778 North Fern Street, Orange, CA 92667.

Membership is also open to the Danish-American Club, which sponsors one of the most popular events during Rebild Days—the Danish-American Club luncheon on July 3rd. At this function a Danish-American citizen is named and honored with the title "Mayor for a Day" and is handed the keys of the city by the Mayor of Aalborg. The address for this group is 23 Siriusvej, 9200 Aalborg SV, Denmark.

The last event of Rebild Days is the Danish-American Junior Club's Midnight Party at Papegjehaven on July 4th, with music and dancing. The Club is open to citizens of both nations between the ages of fifteen and thirty-five, and the Club address is Postbox 1614, KD-9100 Aalborg, Denmark.

In 1981 the Danish American National Contest was established in the United States, to help bring the youth of Denmark and America together in a common bond, and in 1991 the Municipality of Skorping founded a Youth Price, which each year on July 4th will be given to two young people, elected by Youth for Understanding (YFU) and the International Student Exchange Program (ASSE). The Board of Directors has been able, from the William S. Knudsen and Clara Elisabeth Knudsen's Rebild Fund, to give three scholarships, altogether 30,000 Danish kroner to young Danes studying in America.


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The NSDAR Library will be extremely crowded during Continental Congress as is always the case. We will be open to members only between April 10 and April 23, 1994 and closed the Sunday after Congress.

1. The Library is closed to all non-members from April 10 through April 24, 1994. Husbands and other non-member relatives of DAR members will be admitted only if space is available, and they will be charged the daily user's fee of $5.00 each. SAR, SR and CAR members are exempt from the fee only upon presentation of a VALID (1994) membership card.

2. Library Hours in mid-April:
   - Sunday, April 10: 1:00-5:00, Members only begins
   - Monday, April 11 to Saturday, April 16: 8:45-4:00
   - Sunday, April 17: 1:00-5:00
   - Monday, April 18 to Friday, April 22, 8:00-5:00
   - Saturday, April 23: 8:45-4:00
   - Sunday, April 24: ***CLOSED***

3. Book donations received during April will be acknowledged and processed after Congress.

4. Photocopying during Congress (regular procedures apply otherwise). ORDERS TAKEN AT LIBRARY REFERENCE DESK.
   a. Limit: 25 pages per day in one or several books per person.
   b. All orders should be presented with the book or file to be copied, and with order form and payment. PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME AND FULL ADDRESS ON EACH ORDER YOU SUBMIT.
   c. All orders must be pre-paid; 20¢ per page. Double paging only if size of book permits.
   d. Orders may be picked up at the Library reference desk. Arrangements can be made to mail copies to your home if we have your full address.
   e. Rare books and books in poor condition may not be photocopied.

5. The stacks may be closed for a short period each day to enable the shelvers to replace books. This will be based on existing conditions. Please only take three (3) books from the shelf at a time.

6. Members returning Bookworm Project materials should give these only to Mr. Barker to insure proper processing.

7. By order of the D.C. Fire Marshal there will be no sitting in the aisles between the bookstacks.

8. Volunteers are needed to help with various tasks, particularly book shelving and photocopying during the week of Congress. Please let the Library Director know if you will be able to help. Volunteers can earn Bookworm Credit for assisting during Congress.

9. USE CAUTION WHEN WALKING IN THE BOOKSTACK AREAS AND NEAR TABLES. WATCH FOR CHAIRS AND STEP STOOLS.

If you have any questions regarding these procedures, please write to us, and we will be happy to help you in any way we can. Our capable and courteous staff as well as volunteer library assistants look forward to your visit and will assist you in locating books and materials to facilitate your research.

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QUERIES

Cost per line—Cost of each 6½-inch typewritten line is $1. Make check payable to Treasurer General NSDAR and mail with query to Genealogical Records Committee Office, 1776 D St. NW, Washington, DC 20006. All copy must be received at least two months prior to publication date desired. Please keep in mind that all words count, including name and address. Anyone doing genealogical research may submit a query for publication. If you wish an acknowledgement that we have received your query please enclose a self-addressed stamped postcard along with your copy and payment.

PELSER/PELSER/BELSER/PELTSER: Need info on Peter Pelser, son of Christofel (Christopher), b. 1750 aboard ship, took Oath of Fidelity & Support in 1778 at Frederick Co., MD. Family tradition is that Peter served during Revolutionary War & about 1785 moved his family to Westmoreland Co., PA. His children were Valentin, Peter Jr., John Tracy, & Philip. Need name of wife.—Wardene Roush Weisser, P O Box 26, Bonita CA 91908.

ROUSH/ROUSE/RAUSCH: Need info & names of parents of John Roush, b. 13 May 1775, where? He m. Elizabeth ___ ?_. Settled in OH prior to Dec 1801. Children: Martin J.; Polly; Betsy; Catherine; Grace; Molly; Margaret; Sarah; Susan; and Hannah.—Wardene Roush Weisser, P O Box 26, Bonita CA 91908.

SHREVE-PAUL: Need to contact descendants of Caleb Shreve, b. 30 June 1800, and his wife Rebecca Paul, b. ca 1805. On death of Caleb, Rebecca relocated with children from Richmond, IN to Cincinnati, OH.—Jeanne M. Shreve, 2222 Southwest 50th, Topeka KS 66611-1804, (913) 267-4700.

ALDRICH-SEAVEY: Seek parents of Levina A. Aldrich, b. in Merrimack or Bedford, NH, 16 Feb 1835, d. Lowell, MA on 21 Sept 1923, buried Bedford, NH, m. Samuel Seavey on 7 May 1854, Manchester, NH. Her parents aren’t named in her marriage or death records.—Irene Thibault, 17 Evans Road, Peterborough NH 03458.

BLANCHARD: Regarding the family of John Blanchard, Genealogy of Woodstock, CT, Bowen, 1926, refers to “Blanchard-Paine Papers” owned by J. J. Andrews of Willimantic, CT. Are these papers extant? If so, where are they, and are they available for research?—Adrienne K. Wiese, 10 Kilmer Ave, Poughkeepsie NY 12601-1022.

STURGEON: Parents of David, John, and Nathan Sturgeon were Elizabeth and John Sturgeon, d. 1830 in Crawford Co., IN. Seeking proof that the father of said John is also John, said to have d. ca 1830 also, age 100 plus, Hart Co., KY, served in Rev. War from PA. Any data on John’s welcome.—Mary Seip, 1340 Ingleseide Ave, McLean VA 22101.

ROWAN-KENNADY/KENNEDY: James Kennedy, b. 15 Apr 1749, was in Bedford Co., VA long before the Revolution. He m. Ann ___ ?_. b. 1756. What is her maiden name? Who are her parents? He is the son of John and Margaret Rowan Kennady. James and Ann sold land on Wolf Creek in 1785 and settled in Union Co., SC. Issue: John, Jr.; Henry; Thomas; Abraham; James Fletcher; Elizabeth; Margaret; Jane; Sarah; and Nancy. Need parents of Margaret Rowan and Ann ___ ?_.—Eunice D. Watson, 4301 Far West Blvd, Austin TX 78731. 1-512-345-3062.

GREGG/KENADY: Sarah (Sally) Graham, b. ca 1797 in NC, probably Lincoln Co. near Broad River, m. James Fletcher Kennedy (b. 1795) ca 1820 of Union Co., SC, west side of Broad River. Issue in order of birth: Jane Elmina, b. 1821; Ann Caroline, b. 1822; Pinckney, b. 1823; Eliza, b. 1824; Sarah Ervine, b. 1830, Hall Co., GA; Masuria Tabitha, b. 1835, AL; Martha E., b. 1837, AR; James, b. 1839; and John, b. 1840, AR. Who are her parents? Perhaps Archibald Graham, Jr. and Jane Beatty Graham?—Eunice D. Watson, 4301 Far West Blvd, Austin TX 78731. 1-512-345-3062.

GREELY/REELY: Have genealogical data of interest to descendants of early Greeley/Greely settlers.—Jane F. Burgess, 11700 Dinwiddie Dr, Rockville MD 20852.

BUGBEE/BUGBY: Have genealogical data of interest to descendants of early Bugbee/Bugby settlers.—Jane F. Burgess, 11700 Dinwiddie Dr, Rockville MD 20852.

YATER: Seeking any and all info on Henry Yater, Sr. Had son Henry Yater, Jr, b. 1765 on ship in Atlantic, d. 1818 in Garrard Co., KY, who m. Nancy McMannus in Madison Co., KY 23 June 1790. Their son Peter m. Nancy Huffman in Garrard Co., KY 27 Jan 1824 and had son William Yater who m. 1855 Frances Buckner Mills, dau. of Charles Henry Mills.—Pauline Cusack, Willow Creek Longhorns, General Delivery, Willow City TX 78675.

REICHENBACH-SCHAEFFER: Seeking proof of birth of Clarissa/Catherine Reichenbach, probably 1780s, Upper Milford, Northampton/Lehigh Co., PA, to Adam and Cadarina Reichenbach, m. Valentin Schaeffer.—Mary Seip, 1340 Ingleseide Ave, McLean VA 22101.

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Ideas for Chapter Regents . . .

Want to know how to get your chapter interested and working towards the objectives of the NSDAR?

One Chapter Regent, upon assuming office, sent a letter to each member of her chapter and enclosed a questionnaire allowing the members numerous choices depending upon their time, health and interest.

A “Chapter Regent Hotline” was another method used: “Starting off the new DAR year as a re-cycled chapter regent, I am filled with excitement, enthusiasm, optimism and a great desire to get to work. Work is a blessing! Was thrilled to receive the big present from our National Society—the SUMMER PACKET. Racing through all the letters, discovering the goals for the coming year, made me anxious to find ways to accomplish these goals. People tell us that DAR members talk a lot but don’t read. Well, I read every packet letter, made a copy for each chairman and plan to pay attention to all the suggestions by the National Officers and National Chairmen.

After reading all the Honor Roll requirements—guess what? No problems—only great opportunities. Nothing is impossible! Gold Honor Roll—here we come!

Our big goal is membership. We all know many prospective members—so we’ll be busy helping by chasing proofs, doing research, following through and even typing application papers if necessary.

Understand the need for the President General’s Project—complete renovation of Constitution Hall. Plan to have our chapter 100% right away. Must dash. Tons to do and we want to be part of it. Have fun!—Ann D. Fleck, Regent, Boston Tea Party Chapter”

From the Office of the Organizing Secretary General . . .

Do not submit reinstatements with chapter printouts. The reinstatement card, with required fee and control sheet, must be sent to the Organizing Secretary General.

Dues . . .

Chapter treasurer should contact the person responsible for a member’s dues should the member herself not be paying.

If, for some reason, a chapter member is unable to pay dues for the year, why not waive the chapter dues and create a “Friendship Fund” to cover their state and national dues. It is a shame to lose a member to resignation when circumstances are such that it would be a hardship for the member.

From the Office of the Chaplain General . . .

New sympathy and donor
cards with envelopes for use by state and chapter chaplains are available for sale in the Office of the Corresponding Secretary General. Sympathy cards are 50¢ each and donor cards, 10 for $1.00.

National Family Week . . .
President Clinton has proclaimed the week of November 20, 1994 as "National Family Week" and invites the states, communities and people of the United States to observe this week with appropriate ceremonies and programs in appreciation of our Nation's families.

From Lineage Research Committee . . .
Because the booklet, Is That Service Right?, is temporarily out of print, a four page bibliography of major references for service from each state is being substituted. Those who received Lineage Research Kits without the booklet may send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the Lineage Research Office for a copy of this bibliography. A new item in the kit describes the use of newspapers for genealogical research and the types of articles which are valuable and how to identify and locate newspapers. Newspapers are a useful source of documentation before the availability of vital records.

National Defender Mailing . . .
Every chapter National Defense Chairman should send immediately her name and correct mailing address (including the 9-digit zip code) to the National Defense Office 1776 D St NW, Washington, DC 20006-5392 in order to receive the National Defender at her home address.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS
103rd Continental congress . . .
THE CHAPLAIN GENERAL AND PRESIDENT GENERAL, with the Executive Committee, will participate in a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery on Sunday, April 17 at 10:35 a.m.

Immediately following, wreaths will be placed at the tomb of George and Martha Washington at Mount Vernon. All are invited to attend these ceremonies, however, transportation will not be provided.

COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS:

DAR SPEAKERS STAFF:
Meeting, Tuesday, April 19, 1-2:00 pm, Connecticut Board Room, Second Floor, Memorial Continental Hall. THIS IS A CHANGE.

DEDICATION: Texas Society Gift to the DAR Museum, April 19, 1994, 11:45 am, immediately following Memorial Service. Yochim Gallery, Memorial Continental Hall, Lower Level.

HONOR ROLL COMMITTEE:
Meeting, Tuesday, April 19, 10-11 am, Banquet Hall, 3rd Floor, Memorial Continental Hall.

NATIONAL CHAIRMEN'S ASSOCIATION:
Breakfast, Thursday, April 21, 7:00 am, Capital Hilton Hotel, $24.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Spencer Closson, 3970 Knob Lick Pike, Stanford, KY 40484. Please enclose SASE. THIS IS A CHANGE. During Congress: Mrs. Alex Boone, Capitol Hilton.

SOUTH CAROLINA BREAKFAST: 7:30 a.m., Friday, April 22, South American Room, Capital Hilton Hotel, $22.00. Reservations before Congress, Mrs. Joseph A. Esposito, 104 Sandy Creek Court, Greer, SC 29650. During Congress, Mrs. Joseph A. Esposito, Capital Hilton.

VIRGINIA:
Luncheon, Wednesday, April 20, 1-3 pm, National Press Club, 14th & F Streets, NW, $27.00. Reservations: Mrs. Frank W. DeLano, 1459 Dewberry Court, McLean, VA 22101, Telephone (703) 356-4685. Make check payable to State Treasurer, VADAR. Reservations close April 13; no refunds after April 13. Send SASE or pick up tickets at door. For tickets ordered, please include each person’s name and the office she holds. State Chairman: Mrs. Calhoun J. Killeen, (703) 442-8557.
In October 1993, Mrs. Donald Blair, President General, members of the Executive Committee, the National Board of Management, National Chairmen and DAR members from throughout the country, journeyed to Valley Forge, Pennsylvania for a special service at the Washington Memorial Chapel and to rededicate a marker at the grave of General Francis Nash.

The day of the rededication it rained and rained. I called the church and was given permission by the pastor, Rev. Russell M. Detweiler to have the program inside the church. It turned out to be a blessing in disguise. All the participants did a wonderful job within the comfort of the Towamencin Mennonite Church in Kulpsville, PA.

The universal attendance can only be matched when the DAR meets in Washington for Continental Congress. We had State Regents there from 43 states plus the National Board of Management. There were also two Honorary Presidents General, Mrs. Raymond Franklin Fleck and Mrs. Eldred Martin Yochim. There were eleven Vice Presidents General. Also in attendance were five Honorary State Regents, Mrs. Coray Henry Miller, Mrs. James M. Anderson, Jr., Mrs. Edgar V. Wier, Miss Marguerite L. Flounders, and Mrs. Thomas Gee Burkey.

Mrs. Raymond F. Fleck, Honorary President General, played the drum and led the procession. She also explained the part the drummer played in giving directions to the troops. On one occasion she was accompanied by Jeb Hague of the First Continental Troop who played the fife. The colors were carried by the First City Troop. The Invocation was delivered by the Chaplain General, Mrs. John Thomas Berry. Mrs. Roderick Wood, Regent, Lt. Matthew Smith Chapter, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. James F. Warren, Valley Forge Chapter, led the singing of God Bless America. General Washington, who officiated at the burial of General Nash, was portrayed by Howard W. Gross, Executive Director, Department of History and Cultural Arts, Montgomery County, PA. He had two Aides-de-Camp from the 1st Continental Regiment, Kurt Hague and Jack Armstrong. He told us what probably took place on this very spot 216 years ago. All these men were in the uniform of the day.

We were welcomed to the burial service by Mrs. Dale Kelly Love, Historian General. We had greetings from the Regents of the two participating states: Mrs. Leonard V. Foerscher, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. George Earl Thompson of North
Prayers were offered by the Chaplains, Mrs. Dudley R. Weiss, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. L. George Corby of North Carolina. The Honorable Edwin G. Holl, State Senator of Pennsylvania, played Taps and the Star Spangled Banner on the trumpet.

Some history about the monument was given by the Historian of North Carolina, Mrs. John F. Peavey. She also shared with us the General's dying words: "From the first dawn of the Revolution I have ever been on the side of liberty and my country." Mrs. Richard E. Schilling, Vice Regent of Pennsylvania, and Mrs. Richard K. Teague, Vice Regent of North Carolina, unveiled the monument when there was a break in the weather. Mrs. Donald Shattuck Blair, President General, dedicated the memorial which was a special treat for all who heard her.

We were later able to visit both the burial spot of General Nash and the Memorial. At the grave, Ann Gordon Wesson, Mrs. Peavey's granddaughter, laid a wreath. Her mother is a member of the Gwynedd Chapter of Pennsylvania. This was followed by the unveiling of the new plaque on the memorial. The wreath was placed here by Miss Elizabeth Fritsch and Mr. Robert Fritsch of John Morton Society, N.S.C.A.R. They were dressed in colonial costumes.

Pages were in attendance to help with every phase of the ceremony. Mrs. Cornelia B. Olde, National Chairman from New Jersey, helped with all the arrangements. Without those girls things would not have moved along as smoothly as they did. Miss Rosemary T. Hogan was the Personal Page to the President General. Miss Hilary Clare, Personal Page to the Chaplain General and Miss Sharon L. Clouse helped me with my duties. The girls had a busy day as they had been in attendance at the rededication of the Bell Tower at Valley Forge earlier that day.

The historian of the church, Rev. John L. Ruth, shared some wonderful history of the church and made us feel very welcome. Mrs. Myer Kerman, State Historian of Pennsylvania, was the Mistress of Ceremonies.

Those of you who were unable to be with us can see the entire affair by purchasing a tape for $15.00. This money will go into a fund which can be used for the preservation of historic sites and monuments. Anyone wanting to order a tape may do so by sending a check to Mrs. Myer Kerman, State Historian.

After all this pomp and ceremony refreshments were served by the ladies of the Lt. Matthew Smith Chapter.

Mrs. John F. Peavey and I worked on this project for almost a year. Penn Dot moved the monument for us at no cost to the society which saved the State Society about two thousand dollars. Pennsylvania and North Carolina shared the other expenses.

I have never worked on a project so fraught with problems. It was frustrating at times, but with the help and cooperation of so many of you I was able to accomplish a task I feel both States can be very proud of. North Carolina and Pennsylvania have worked together since 1920, thus enjoying a seventy-three year association. It is a very rewarding feeling to know that through our joint efforts this monument was rescued from almost total oblivion in a gully at a busy intersection, always in danger of being destroyed by the traffic, to a place of prominence in the same graveyard of the Towamencin Mennonite Church were the bodies of these four gallant soldiers, General Francis Nash of North Carolina, Colonel Boyd and Major White of Pennsylvania and Lt.
Matthew Smith of Virginia, are buried. These four men were either killed or wounded at the Chew House during the Battle of Germantown and now rest side by side in the peaceful setting of this graveyard. The monument was moved, cleaned, restored and rededicated with a new plaque to tell the story. I am proud of what has been accomplished.

One funny story that was told me by a former minister of the church. He said that the day the soldiers were buried it rained. Then many years later there was a second monument placed near their graves the day dawned bright and sunny, but as the crowd gathered the sky grew darker and darker. Soon there was thunder and lightening, and it rained. It was said for many years that the thunder crashed and the lightening flashed and they thought they were getting a message from General Nash. I was told that at any time in the future if we plan to have a celebration at his grave site we should plan on using the church because it will probably rain. To which I say Amen.

**GENERAL FRANCIS NASH**

*b*: 10 May 1720  
*d*: 7 October 1777

General Nash was born in Virginia, the son John and his wife Ann Owen Nash who had emigrated from Wales. They purchased 5000 acres in Amelia County (now Prince Edward) where they raised three sons. Sometime about 1763 Francis Nash went to Hillsborough, North Carolina where he set up a law practice. We know that in 1771 he was a captain of militia and participated in the Battle of Alamance against the Regulators.

About 1770 he married Sarah Moore. They became parents of two daughters: Anna who died at age thirteen and Sarah who married a rice planter John W. Waddell.

In the summer of 1775 the Provincial Congress directed two regiments be raised and Francis Nash was appointed Lt. Col. of the first. He was promoted to Colonel in 1776. Under his command, the regiment was present at the unsuccessful British attack on Charles Town, South Carolina.

He was ordered north in March. He had been commissioned Brigadier General by Congress on 5 February 1777 and with the illness and death of James Moore, Nash assumed command of the entire North Carolina brigade of nine regiments. In June the brigade arrived in Philadelphia to join General Washington. Nash and his North Carolinians rendered signal service in helping stem the British advance at the unsuccessful Battle of Brandywine.

With the capture of Philadelphia by the British on September 26, Washington, regrouping his army, attacked the British-Hessian forces at Germantown, near Philadelphia on October 4, 1777 and was again defeated. General Nash was hit by a cannon ball which killed his horse. His wound proved fatal. He died three days later at the home of Adam Gotwals, on Forty Foot Road, near Kulpsville, PA and was buried on October 9 at the Towamencin Mennonite Meeting graveyard beside three other officers who also perished from wounds received at Germantown. The other officers were Colonel Boyd who was wounded and brought to the Towamencin Meeting House, which served as a hospital, where he died. Major John White, aide to General Sullivan who tried to toss a flaming torch into the Chew House which was occupied by the British; and the youngest, a soldier from Virginia Lieutenant Matthew Smith, Deputy Adjutant General to Lieutenant Colonel Timothy Pickering. He volunteered to carry the flag of truce to the British at the Chew House. He was promptly fired upon and wounded. It is understood that Lieutenant Smith and Major White rode off the field together to a farmhouse several miles away. Both died later from their wounds.

On October 9, 1777 General Washington ordered the entire Continental Army encamped nearby to attend the burial services for these four gallant officers at 10:00 in the forenoon here on the church property. Now 216 years later the Daughters of the American Revolution have come to this spot to honor these brave men.
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Acker, Martin: b 5-9-1760 d 12-26-1846 m Elizabeth Ice Pvt PA
Allman, Thomas: b c 1766 d 3-15-1839 m Mary Samson Pvt
MA VA PNSR
Ames, James: b 3-21-1739 d 6-3-1815 m (1) Elizabeth Hall (2)
Elizabth Craft Pvt PS MA
Applewhite, Thomas: b 12-24-1739 d 3-15-1839 m X PS NC
Bailey, William: b 12-14-1756 d 1-4-1837 m Sarah --- Pvt VA
PNSR
Bast, Peter: b c 1754 d 1816 m Catherine Illspach Pvt MD
Betts, William: b 6-13-1749 d 5-19-1824 m Olive Cory Pvt
MA PNSR WPNS
Bird, Mary: b 9-10-1740 d 2-18-1781 m William Byrd PS VA
Burch, Edward: b 12-24-1739 d 3-15-1839 m Anne Spink PS MD
Cale, John: b 12-14-1754 d 6-25-1834 m (1) Isabella Burnside (2)
Barbara Slusher Pvt VA PNSR
Caton, Robert: b 3-22-1761 d 4-7-1815 m (1) Martha --- (2)
Catherine Seaman (3) Hannah Dean Wgn NY
Clemons, Thompson: b 9-15-1751 d a 10- -1787 m Martha
Coggins Pvt NC PNSR
Cook, David: b 11-8-1751 d 2-18-1781 m (1) Susanna Legg
(2) Elona Holbrook (3) Molly Aldrich Sibley Pvt PA
Crane, Thomas: b 1754/5 d 3-10-1833 m (1) X (2) Polly Potts
Pvt VA PNSR
Crary, Ezra: b 7-30-1737 d 8-4-1824 m (1) Dorothy Randall
(2) Lois Hawley PS CT
Darrell, William: b c 1753 d 10-9-1835 m Elizabeth --- Pvt
MA NC PNSR WPNS
Dearborn, Richard: b 5-2-1747 d 1-25-1818 m Mary Whitten
CS NY
Dillworth, George: b c 1750 d 7-21-1813 m Frances --- PS NC
Dunnagan, Charles: b c 1750 d 1813 m Alsey --- PS NC
Ellis, Benjamin: b 9-19-1741 d a 8- -1796 m X PS NC
Ellis, William: b c 1757 d a 11- -1812 m Nancy Sims PS NC
Farver, Adam: b -- d c 12- -1783 m (1) X (2) Elizabeth
Kepler MD
Fisher, Thomas: b 3-10-1735 d 1-16-1781 m Mary Pettie Pvt
MA
Hall, John: b a 1730 d 12-21-1812 m Mille --- PS SC
Hart, William: b c 1747 d a 1-29-1823 m Mary Currier Pvt
MD
Hathaway, Thomas: b 10-16-1759 d a 10-2-1821 m Abiah
Tinkham Sgt MA
Hawks, Conrad: b c 1741 d c 1830 m (1) Catherine Sarah
Williams (2) Anna Elisabeth Volk Walters CS PA
Hayes, James: b c 1740 d a 1820 m Sarah --- 2 Lt NC
Hayes, Thomas: b c 1753 d 1-10-1810 m Judith Friar 2 Lt VA
Herdan, Thomas: b c 1750 d 11-30-1821 m Mary Shipp Pvt
PS VA WPNS
Herron, John: b 1756 d p 9- -1836 m Agnes Henry Pvt NY
PNSR
Inman, Joseph: b c 1745 d 11-16-1819 m Lucy Sprague Pvt
MA
Kunkel, Henry: b c 1730 d 6-19-1821 m Margaret --- Pvt PA
Lewis, Leonard: b c 1745 d 10-13-1817 m Hannah --- Cpl NY
Lookbill, David: b 6-4-1762 d 3-30-1838 m Charity --- Pvt
NC PNSR
Mann, Nathaniel: b 10-9-1759 d 10-2-1839 m Abigail Billings
Pvt MA
Mccalmount, John: b c 1755 d a 1806 m Martha Ewing Pvt
PA
McCoy, John: b c 1738 d c 1796 m Catherine Briggs Pvt NY
McDougall, John: b c 1741 d p 1820 m Ann Elizabeth
Kennedy Cpl NY PNSR
Meacham Henry: b 1750-60 d a 7- -1837 m X Sol GA
Mills, Naaman: b 1757 d 9-2-1835 m X PS NC PNSR
Mobley, Isaiah: b 12-14-1754 d 10-23-1836 m Frances Cole-
man Pvt SC PS NC
Moore, Richard: b c 1755 d 1-9-1823 m Maddlen Nelson Tms NC
Phipps, Samuel: b 1762 Bu 4-6-1854 m Elizabeth Reeves Sol
VA
Pierpont, Giles: b 6-4-1741 d 1-16-1832 m Elizabeth Cooper
Sgt CT
Pulsipher, John: b 7-8-1749 d c 1827 m Elizabeth Dutton Pvt VT
Robinson, Andrew: b 11-9-1739 d 6-19-1819 m (1) Jemima ---
(2) Lucinda --- Pvt MA
Rogers, John: b 10-14-1761 d 5-27-1849 m Mary Van Deusen
Pvt CT PNSR
Rollins, Edward: b 11-6-1756 d 6-10-1816 m Anna Went-
worth Cpl NH PNSR WPNS
Roosevelt, Jacob: b c 1746 d p 1790 m X Pvt MA
Runkle, Lewis: b c 1748 d a 4- -1805 m Catherine --- PS VA
Simms, George: b 12-12-1740 d a 3- -1809 m Zeabia Rice
CS PS NC
Singleton, Joseph E: b 6-9-1761 d 4-14-1844 m X Pvt NC
PNSR
Stevens, Bartholomew: b 9-8-1746 d 3-14-1824 m Mary ---
Pvt NH PNSR WPNS
Tippins, James: b c 1740 d a 3-10-1792 m Rosannah --- PS SC
Tolson, George: b 12-22-1726 d a 5-9-1785 m Elizabeth --- PS
VA
Utz, Michael: b c 1745-50 d 1821 m Mary Crigler Sol PS VA
Ward, Benjamin: b -- d 9-5-1831 m X PS GA
Weaver, Jacob: b 2-28-1762 d 2-18-1835 m Margaret Gebhart
Pvt PA
Weeks, Silas: b a 1744 d 5-22-1778 m Ziller Hunter Pvt NC
Winn, James: b c 1741 d c 1815 m Rebecca --- Pvt PA
Winstead, Samuel: b 7-10-1723 d a 6- -1806 m Elizabeth --- PS
NC
Wood, Benjamin: b 12-6-1750 d 11-6-1847 m Eva Smith Pvt
PS NY
Worley, David: b 12-15-1761 d 6-7-1829 m Hannah McClure
Sol VA
Wright, Moses: b 2-7-1748 d 6-4-1821 m Susannah McNeil
Pvt NH
Ziegler, Christopher: b c 1714 d a 4-24-1804 m Deborah --- PS
PA

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Simon Kenton was born April 3, 1755 in Fauquier County, Virginia. He was the son of Mark and Mary Miller Kenton. Mark Kenton was born in Ireland; Mary was born in this country and was from Scotch-Welch descent. Simon's parents were poor tobacco farmers who rented the land they farmed. The farm was once a part of the old "Carter Grant." It was in this setting that Simon, the seventh child from a brood of nine, grew to manhood.

Simon hated farm work and swore he would never spend his life on the wrong end of a hoe, and he didn't. Like many young men of his day he loved to roam the woods hunting and fishing. It was from this experience that he learned much of.
his woodcraft. The family would send Simon out to hoe tobacco and the next thing they knew he would be gone—hunting. He gained the reputation of being the laziest boy in the county, a title he probably deserved.

When Simon was 15 years old, the “love bug” bit him. He fell “head over apple carts” for a young lady named Ellen Cummins. To Simon there was no other girl quite like Ellen. He had placed his brand on her and she was to be the future Mrs. Simon Kenton.

What a fateful day it was when Simon learned that the love of his life was to marry another. The winning suitor was a young man by the name of Leachman. On the day of the wedding, Simon, full of anger, his pride crushed, arrived at the church just prior to the ceremony. He called for Leachman to step outside where he could whip him. Leachman, along with several of his friend, was willing to oblige. They beat Simon nearly senseless.

Anger over being publicly humiliated smoldered within Simon for a year. He decided not to let this embarrassment go unanswered. Simon found Leachman working in the woods. This time Leachman’s friends weren’t around to help. Leachman was thrashed to within an inch of his life. In fact, Simon believed he had killed the young man.

Knowing the penalty for murder was death by hanging, Simon headed for the wilderness beyond the mountains.

From childhood Simon had heard the stories told by his uncle, Thomas Kenton, who was a trader with the Indians. His tales of great buffalo herds, salt springs, beautiful prairies and fertile earth had left a lasting impression on the young man. He vowed that someday he would see that far-off land that his uncle called Kentucky. There was no better time than now to fulfill that yearning.

Yes, this was the incident that changed Kenton’s life.

Although Simon was 16 years old, he was every inch a man. He was over six feet tall, had auburn hair and grayish eyes. He spoke with a definite Irish brogue.

The year was 1772 and Simon was ready to face the world. He crossed mountains and followed rivers until he finally reached Fort Pitt (present Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania). Here he became acquainted with two men who were planning a season’s hunt down river from Fort Pitt. One, an older man by the name of Yeager, and the other whose name was Strader was about the same age as Simon.

The trio hunted on the Elk River within the confines of present Charleston, West Virginia. It was here the trio nearly lost their lives when their camp was suddenly attacked by Indians. In fact, Yeager was killed; Simon and Strader were forced to flee, leaving their weapons and food behind. It was several days before the pair reached the Ohio River and safety. This was just the beginning of hardships that Simon would endure in this wild land.

In 1774 Simon served his country during Dunmore’s War. It was here that he became acquainted with such men as George Rogers Clark, Big Jim Harrod, Benjamin Logan, Hugh McGary, Daniel Boone, and even Simon Girty who was there prior to becoming the infamous renegade.

In 1778 Simon served as a scout for George Rogers Clark’s Illinois Campaign. He was with the expedition at Kaskaskia, Cahokia, and Vincennes. It was here that Clark defeated the British and drove them back to their stronghold at Detroit.

Clark sent Kenton back to Kentucky with the news of what happened. Simon reported to Colonel John Bowman, the highest ranking officer in Kentucky.

Not wishing to be outdone by a junior officer, Bowman decided to attack the Shawnee stronghold at Old Chillicothe (located three miles north of present Xenia, Ohio). Simon along with two other men was sent to spy on the Indian town. While on this mission, Simon seized upon an opportunity to steal a few of the Indians’ horses. The trio was overtaken by Indians at the Ohio River. One man was killed, another escaped, and Simon was taken prisoner.

Over a period of several days Simon was forced to run the gauntlet at various Shawnee towns.

At Moluntha’s town Simon attempted to escape. In his weakened condition he was easily overtaken and struck down by an Indian using a pipe tomahawk. The blow left a permanent imprint in his skull.

After he recovered sufficiently to travel, he was taken to Wap-
atomica near present Zanesfield, Ohio. Here his face was blackened and preparations were made to burn Kenton at the stake. It was here that Simon Girty interceded on Kenton's behalf. While his fate was being decided, he was taken north to Upper Sandusky. Along the way the great Mingo, Chief Logan, offered his assistance in gaining his release.

The delaying tactics of Girty and Logan gained sufficient time for a British officer to gain control of Kenton. He was taken to Detroit where he was placed in the custody of the British Commandant.

After a few weeks Kenton managed to escape and return to Kentucky.

In 1780 and again in 1782 Simon served as a scout for General George Rogers Clark's Miami Valley expeditions.

During the year 1786 Simon was called upon to act as a guide for General Benjamin Logan's campaign against the Macc-o-chee Towns in Champaign and Logan counties.

Kenton also served as a spy and scout for General "Mad" Anthony Wayne's expedition in the years of 1793 and 1794. He was a participant in the Battle of Fallen Timbers. This crushed Indian resistance in Ohio until the War of 1812.

During his stay in Kentucky Simon managed to accumulate many thousands of acres of rich Kentucky land. At one time he laid claim to over 400,000 acres in Ohio, Kentucky, and Missouri.

However, shoddy business practices, improper filing of land claims, and the cosigning of notes for many friends caused Simon all kinds of difficulties. He was brought into court and forced to make good on notes defaulted by family and friends. All of this occurred over a period of time.

In 1784 Simon erected a fort just north of present Washington, Kentucky. At this site he also built a beautiful two story brick house which was the first brick home built in Kentucky.

Only two items were missing in Simon's life, a wife and a family.

In the year 1787 Simon married a young lady by the name of Martha Dowden. Between 1787 and 1796, the couple produced four children.

Disaster struck the Kenton home in 1796. While Simon was away, their new home burned and Martha was burned to death in the fire.

Simon really never recovered from the loss of his wife, Martha Dowden. He lost complete interest in his Washington-Maysville plantation.

In March of 1796 Simon remarried. The second wife was a lovely young lady by the name of Elizabeth Jarbo. She was French, beautiful, well-educated and full of life. She was 23 years younger than Simon.

In 1798 Simon sold his holdings in the vicinity of Washington and Maysville and with others moved to present Springfield, Ohio.

During 1799 Simon and his followers erected a fortification near the present abandoned Ohio Edison power plant at the junction of Buck Creek and Mad River.

The following year Simon built his first home in Ohio. It was built on land now known as the "Hunt Farm." He and Elizabeth lived here until about 1804-5. It was on this site that he killed Big Foot, a Shawnee who had been trying to ambush Kenton.

In 1805 he left the "Hunt Farm" and moved to the place where the old International Harvester plant (now Navistar) is located. He named the little community "Lagonda." Approximately ten families moved with Kenton to this site. Lagonda is an Indian word meaning "Horn of the Buck." He also named the stream Lagonda Creek that powered his grist mill. Later the stream was renamed "Buck Creek."

Simon's reason for leaving the "Hunt Farm" after only five years was that he discovered the land would have to be repurchased from the government. John Cleve Symmes, a land speculator from whom Simon purchased the land, had defaulted on his purchase from the government. Everyone who purchased land from Symmes was forced to abandon the property or to repurchase the land from the United States Government.

Even though the government provided generous terms to Symmes victims, Simon refused their terms. He said, "I never purchase the same land twice."

In 1810 he moved his family to Urbana, Ohio.

The year 1811 was a sad one for the Kentons. The old "Debtors Law" caught up with Simon. He was imprisoned by the Champaign County authorities. The jail was located on the (continued on page 244)
Michigan


Joining over 250 Michigan Daughters and their guests was our most distinguished guest, President General, Mrs. Donald Shattuck Blair; and Mrs. James Earl Haynes, Vice President General, Arizona; Mrs. Clinton F. Stimpson, Honorary Vice President General, Past Registrar General, Past Vice President General and Honorary State Regent of Michigan; Mrs. Clare E. Wiedlea, Honorary State Regent of Michigan; Mrs. James V. Zeder, Honorary State Regent of Michigan; Mrs. Maxwell E. Hunt, Past Vice President General and Honorary State Regent of Michigan; Mrs. John F. Weaver, Sr., Honorary State Regent of Michigan; Mrs. Betty P. Swenson, State Regent of Alabama; Mrs. Thomas R. Ross, State Regent of Kentucky, President General Colonial Dames of the Seventeenth Century; Mrs. Walter L. De Vries, State Regent of New York; Mrs. George E. Thompson, State Regent of North Carolina; Mrs. John K. Harrell, State Regent of Texas, Mrs. Wayne D. Tiner, National Chairman, DAR Magazine, Past Recording Secretary General, Past Vice President General, Honorary State Regent of Texas; Miss Marguerite L. Flounders, National Chairman, DAR School Committee, Past Reporter General and Honorary State Regent of Pennsylvania.

Preceding the official opening, workshops were held by Mrs. Richard Omlor, State Treasurer, and Mrs. Lawrence Baldwin, State Registrar, followed by a Memorial Service conducted by State Chaplain, Mrs. Karl B. Kirk.

State Regent Mrs. John A. Collins gave a tribute to all deceased Michigan Daughters and Mrs. Zeder offered a tribute to Mrs. Walter A. Kleinert (Leontine), Corresponding Secretary General 1974–1977.


The Pre-Conference Dinner was followed by a multi-media extravaganza, “America, I Can Hear Your Song,” presented by Mr. Robert Wells.

The official opening included the reports of State Officers, recommendations of the State Board and the unanimous election of Mrs. John A. Collins, Michigan State Regent, as Honorary State Regent and the enthusiastic endorsement of Mrs. Collins for the office of Vice President General.

Fifty-year members were honored and nominations for new State Officers were presented. President General Blair graciously installed the officers following their election, with the exception of the State Regent and First Vice Regent who will be installed in April 1994 in Washington.

At the Friday School Luncheon Mrs. Blair presented certificates to the chapters reaching 100% giving to the President General’s Project.

Miss Marguerite Flounders gave insight into the activities of all DAR Schools in a comprehensive talk on our Schools.

Following lunch State Chairman reports were given and chapter gifts were presented to State and National projects.

The Banquet included greetings from out-of-town guests, presentation of Hostess Chapter Regents and members, introduction of National Chairmen, National Vice Chairmen and National Appointees.

Special guest, President General Mrs. Blair offered an inspiring message on membership. Mrs. Collins thanked Mrs. Blair for being with us and making our Centennial Conference a memorable event.

A Conservation Medal was presented and two Medal of Honor winners were recognized.

After singing “Happy Birthday Michigan DAR” a reception honoring the President General, Guests, Honorary State Regents, State Board and National Chairmen was held.

Saturday breakfast began with a Musical Tribute to World War II written and presented by Mrs. Robert R. Bockemuehl with Mrs. Karl B. Kirk at the piano. This included assembly participation and many memories.

The business session began with the adoption of the resolutions followed by Chapter Regent reports.

The closing luncheon was followed by the memorable program of Dr. George K. Schweitzer in the costumed character of “Bill Stubblefield” a Revolutionary War Soldier who helped us learn how and where to find those elusive ancestors.

The Juniors conducted the drawing for the Centennial Quilt of Michigan Lighthouses, donated and made by the...
State Board, a Centennial Pin from Caldwell Jewelers, a Michigan Light House print and a picture.

The happy occasion drew to a close with the benediction, the assembly singing "Blest Be The Ties That Bind" and the silent retiring of the colors.—Joyce Bockemuehl

Minnesota

“Honoring Minnesota’s Military Women” was the theme for the Ninety-Eighth Annual State Conference of the Minnesota State Society held on October 25-26, 1993 at New Ulm, Minnesota.

Mrs. William Bennett, State Regent, called the conference to order. President General Mrs. Wayne Blair was our distinguished guest. Anthony Wayne Chapter was our host chapter and they really outdid themselves.

Following the opening ritual Mrs. Bennett introduced the President General, National Officers, Honorary State Regents and Minnesota State Officers. The reports of the executive officers were given.

At noon lunch was served poolside. The tables were decorated with Army helmets, flags of Allied Nations and a scroll at each place.

Our host chapter gathered uniforms used in World War II and displayed them in the conference room. They really went all out to make this a memorable occasion.

After lunch we returned to the meeting room where an informational and inspiring address was given by President General Blair. She stressed the responsibilities of Daughters to make our organization flourish and grow. She stressed our biggest challenge of the future, membership: Chapter meetings must be productive, pleasant and well planned. Speakers should be varied both from within the organization as well as outside. It’s time to publicize our community involvement in Conservation, Veteran patients, Constitution Week and Literacy Challenge. People need to know what our organization does. Keep meetings relative to young working women and young mothers.

At the conclusion of the President General’s speech a six minute video was shown about the condition of our Constitution Hall. A State check to the President General’s fund was presented to Mrs. Blair and then a suggestion was made to take up an additional collection from the members present. It was decided to pass the hat (a WW II Army helmet from the table decorations was passed) and an additional $303.00 dollars was collected.

Monday afternoon the reports of State Chairmen and the Special National Committees were given. Mrs. John Calvin introduced the DAR speakers staff and the VAV representatives.

Later in the afternoon an impressive Memorial service was conducted by State Chaplain Lois Morlock assisted by Mrs. Richard Dennison, State Registrar, and soloist Mrs. Craig Lossing who was accompanied by Mrs. William Drake. Twenty-nine daughters were remembered.

In the evening the Honorary State Regents hosted a banquet at poolside. At each place setting a scroll tied with a blue ribbon held a copy of Franklin D. Roosevelt’s war message to Congress 8 December 1941.

The entertainment was the renown local Concord Singer-sand Miss New Ulm. This group is known for their polka music and dancing. A reception and social hour followed the entertainment.

On Tuesday October 26, 1993 the conference reconvened. The opening ritual was followed by reports of special committees. The colors were retired. A friendship circle was formed and the conference was concluded with the singing of “Blest be the Tie that Binds.”

A luncheon honoring Minnesota’s DAR Military Women was held at poolside. Miss Judy L. Moynihan introduced the women. Seven were present. Past Vice President General Mrs. Donald Egert introduced our guest speaker Mr. Dwayne Koehntopp and his wife Zina from Ortonville, MN. Mrs. Egert told about all the wonderful things this couple have contributed to their community. Mr. Koehntopp related some of his experiences in Japan during World War II. It was in Japan that he met his wife, who was from Russia. This couple was awarded two of the highest awards in this organization. Mr. Koehntopp was awarded the Medal of Honor and his wife Zina received the Americanism Medal.—Pat Westberg
WITH THE CHAPTERS

NACOGDOCHES (Texas). U.S. Constitution Week began with DAR Regent Laura Beth Wall ringing the bell in the tower of the Old Nacogdoches University Building at 3:00 p.m. CST September 17. The bell was rung for 206 seconds, symbolizing that 206 years had passed since the 1787 signing. (Other bell ringers were Susan Manchester, Lemmie Grimes, Linda Pederson, Eleanor Cox, Audry Quick and Jeannette Porter.) Simultaneously, bells rang at churches in Nacogdoches and Garrison, and the old steam whistle was blown at Bright Coop Company. Flags, student posters, newspaper articles, window displays and marquees provided further publicity throughout the week. A highlight of the week for Nacogdoches Daughters was the September 20 visit of Margaret K. Ivancevich of Spring, National Chairman of Constitution Week. The subject of her address was "Keeping Faith With The Constitution: One Woman's View."

MUSKINGUM (Zanesville, OH). The high point of our anniversary year was the Centennial Celebration luncheon at the Schultz Mansion in Zanesville. We the members of the Muskingum Chapter had vowed to celebrate our 100th anniversary all year and beginning with Zane Trace Commemoration Parade in June, in which some of our members rode in a horse drawn wagon bearing the sign "Muskingum Chapter DAR 1893–1993, we have kept our word."

Our sign was on display as well as other memorabilia from our past as we gathered with state officers and members of nearby chapters, many in period costumes, to celebrate the actual October 9th date of our founding with 12 chapter members under the leadership of Mrs. Fannie Brush, our first Regent. We were honored to have two of her great grandchildren join us for the luncheon and for the floral tribute at her grave later.

We also honored our only State Regent, Mrs. Mary Hoyt Granger, with a grave marking. We were delighted as Mrs. Jane Gale, descendent of one of the early members of this chapter, shared her memories of those chapter members. Mrs. Netah Shaw and Mrs. Evelyn Prout were honored as 64-year members, Evelyn having spent all 64 years in the Muskingum Chapter.

One Woman's View.

JANET MONTGOMERY (Bethesda, MD) honored the memory of Captain Thomas Clifford Bland, Jr. (1964–1991), who gave his life for his country in Operation Desert Storm. The chapter dedicated the blue spruce it had planted in front of his alma mater, Seneca Valley High School, Germantown, Maryland. A bronze plaque memorializes his sacrifice.

An Honor Guard and Color Guard, fourteen Naval Jr. ROTC cadets, formed around the tree. Colors were presented and the national anthem sung. The school principal thanked the DAR for honoring this 1982 alumnus. Mrs. Samuel Bailey (Chaplain) said a few words of inspiration. Miss Heather Biggs (Junior Member) tied a long, red, white and blue ribbon onto the tree and read The American's Creed.

Mrs. Joseph F. Clifford, Regent, gave an address noting the accomplishments of Captain Bland, a Montgomery County native. He graduated from Texas A & M University in 1987, and received his wings at Williams Air Force Base, Arizona, in 1989. On January 31st, 1991, in the Persian Gulf War, he was co-piloting an AC-130 Spectre Gun Ship when it was shot down by enemy fire in Kuwait.

Present were Captain Bland's mother, Deirdre McMahon, County Delegate Counihan, and members and veterans of various branches of the service, which included commanders of the T.C. Bland, Jr., Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and its Ladies Auxiliary, and two American Legion Posts. The president of the Maryland Association for Support of Soldiers placed a yellow rose by the tree.—Grace B. Clifford

COMMODORE SLOAT (Monterey, CA). 1992–93 was a busy busy year for our chapter though by now we have decided there is no way we can hold onto the coattails of our State Regent and our Chapter Regent for Life, Ruth Jones! Following a June Tea for her, we managed to donate $2000 to her endowment project for Tamassie Pouch Cottage through our Caroline Scott Harrison doll and 1890s wradrobe. We hosted an "Open House" for her one night at State Conference; we flowered her at State and Continental Congress; we donated to her Carriage House project when she found time to be our guest speaker (DAR Schools) at DAR Good Citizen Awards time; and we placed a handsome photo in the magazine. We have tried to be a home chapter she could be proud of as our Regent, Carol Todd led our members to excel in many areas. We hope we have succeeded as we are so very proud of our own Ruth Jones.

We have kept the Gold Honor Roll tradition for the 27th year! We celebrated our 70th birthday at our Constitution Week luncheon with several past regents being honored. Our Constitution Week efforts brought us a National First Award! We were privileged to hear our then Congressman, Leon Panetta, as National Defense speaker in October on plans for our nearby and now defunct Fort Ord. Mr. Panetta is now OMB Director. He is a former DAR Good Citizen from his high school days!

Next order of business was to fill the coffers for what appeared to be an expensive year coming up. A big garage sale in Lynn Bynum's Carmel driveway was a huge success with Sgt. John Emmons Society, C.A.R., supplying lemonade and cookies to aid their treasury. Our traditional new member tea was held in the lovely Pebble Beach home of Rita de Lorimier. Our Chaplin, Frances Bly, volunteered to compile the chapter history needed by the State Historian. It was a big effort and we thank her. Our chapter Historian, Vera Hering, found an exceptionally worthy American History teacher to honor with the NSDAR award. Her committee also marked several members' graves this year. Program emphasized our locale. The Monterey Peninsula is a community of several small communities within and our Regent introduced us to the Adobes of Monterey, the newly built Maritime Museum of Monterey and the blue butterflies which are found only at Fort Ord.

DAR Good Citizen Chairman, Jean Snow, presided over the awards in January to seven outstanding high school seniors, who with their counselors and families came to a family style lunch given by the chapter. This is an annual event eagerly awaited in the schools and in the chapter. The same is true in February as we presented the DAR Good Citizenship Medals to eighth graders. Family and faculty are included and a formal American History Month Tea follows with members supplying sterling, flowers, liners and goodies. Chairman Frances (continued on page 248)
JUNIOR EVENTS

Diane M. King, 2521 Road 60, Payne, Ohio 45880


Wednesday, April 20, 1994: 7:15 a.m.—Junior picture of the State Chairmen, National and Divisional Vice Chairman, National Chairman and the President General.

7:30–10:30 a.m.—Junior Breakfast and Forum.

9:00 a.m.—Picture of all State Outstanding Junior Members, the Vice Chairman of the Contest, National Chairman and President General.

JUNIOR BAZAAR

Wednesday, April 20–Saturday April 23, 1994—National Bazaar in Constitution Hall, next to Caldwell’s. National Vice Chairman, Amey Richards, can always use any volunteers. Pages—remember YOU CAN REQUEST BEING ASSIGNED TO THE JUNIOR BAZAAR.

The theme for this year’s Juniors Bazaar is “Street Bazaar”. If any Junior is able to do small drawings, caricatures, etc., please contact the Chairman of Junior Bazaar:

Amey Richards
2413 Kenderton Avenue
Abington, PA 19001

Any page who is willing to give some time at the Bazaar Table also should contact Amey. This will not interfere with regular page assignments.

Any items from any group, chapter, or state should be sent to arrive before Congress to:

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JUNIOR DOLL

Saturday, April 23, 1994—Presentation of the National Junior Doll, Miss Emma, by the Maryland Junior Members, and State Chairman Alicia Caltrider. (She will be present during Congress in the hall next to the junior bazaar. Tickets can be purchased at that time.)

JUNIOR BREAKFAST

1994 Junior Breakfast—Wednesday April 20, 1994 7:30 a.m. South American Room, Capitol Hilton, Washington, D.C. Cost is $21.50; make checks payable to the National Junior Membership Committee and send to Stacy Panei, Breakfast Chairman, 112 Rosalind Drive, Hollywood, MD 20636, phone 301-373-3470.

Deadline is April 13, 1994. Please enclose a self addressed stamped envelope for your ticket. Please enclose your name, state, if you are a state chairman or divisional vice chairman, if you are a state Outstanding Junior for 94.
Support the President General’s Project—Renovation of Constitution Hall—and receive your lovely Shield Pin this new, easy way. Write just one check, payable to the Treasurer General, NSDAR, for your contribution of $50 or more plus the $50.00 all-inclusive price of the pin (includes pin, postage and handling). Mail it to the office of Organizing Secretary General, NSDAR, 1776 D Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006-5392. Since the FYI column appeared in the December 1993 issue of the DAR Magazine, this simpler method of ordering has been made possible through the offer of J. E. Caldwell Co. to furnish a supply of these shield pins to be sold from National Headquarters. The pin may be worn on the Insignia ribbon or off. It may also be worn by contributing non-members, male or female.

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Personal Page to President General—1990
State Outstanding Junior—1988

State Theme:

Share the Past—Serve the Present—Shape the Future
Many chapters have successfully recruited new members through creative means. Shelby Conti, Regent of the Los Angeles Chapter, reports they hosted a booth at a local street fair, distributing DAR information on the Library, Genealogy, and Museum, etc. They collected “Pennies for Pines” and gave away free flags. They even invented an American History Game which was played by all ages. They gave age-appropriate prizes for correct answers. Of course, they had a “sign up sheet” for those who wanted to know more about membership in DAR!

Many States and Chapters have developed a flyer or brochure providing information about DAR membership and their special projects. These flyers list a local contact for more information. Contact the Organizing Secretary General’s office for permission prior to printing. Then contact your local library, schools, Chamber of Commerce, antique stores, and genealogical societies for permission to display the brochures. Why not donate a DAR book as a thank you?

Many chapters sponsor a Genealogical Forum open to the public as a way to attract new members. A number of State Societies are listed in Genealogical Helper as genealogical societies. The National Society is well represented at the national convention of the National Genealogical Society. What marvelous ways to reach those who have already proven their ancestry!

Contact your local libraries and shopping areas for permission to host a booth honoring American History or World War II veterans. Naturally, you’ll include general information about the DAR as well as the address and phone number of your Membership Chairman or Registrar!

If your Chapter sponsors a C.A.R. Society, send photographs of the children in action to your local newspaper. Many, many working women will make the time to attend meetings if they believe it is quality time with their children.

Two DAR members in Houston attended a celebration of Sam Houston’s 200th birthday and slipped in to the last two available chairs near the front. They were surprised to learn they were seated in the V.I.P. section, but seized the opportunity to introduce themselves to the assembly as representatives of Tejas Chapter, DAR!

Our President General has made membership her top priority.
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Mrs. James M. Anderson, Jr.
Honorary State Regent of Pennsylvania
Candidate for
Vice President General
103rd Continental Congress, April 1994
MORE GENEALOGY
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PEAK/PEAKE-BLAIR: Seek parents of Samuel Peak(e), b. 12 Mar 1806 KY, d. 26 Jan 1863 Jackson Co., IN, m. Rachel, b. Aug 1810 KY, d. 22 July 1860 Jackson Co., IN. He was very active in Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Grassy Fork Twp., Jackson Co., IN. Rachel may be daughter of John Blair, d. ca 1840, and Avis, d. 1860, early settlers of Jackson Co. Seek info on Blair also.—Mary Seip, 1340 Ingleside Ave., McLean VA 22101.

PERRY-COLLINGS: Seek parents of Matthew Perry, b. 26 Mar 1799, m. Phoebe Collins 1 Nov 1824 Clark Co., IN, d. 28 Mar 1850 Jackson Co., IN. Had brothers Andrew and Edward. May have had brothers John, Joseph, and William also. Lived in Clark Co., “on waters of Silver Creek . . . on road leading from Jeffersonville to New Salem, nine miles from the former” before moving to Jackson Co.—Mary Seip, 1340 Ingleside Ave., McLean VA 22101.

MOORE: I would like to hear from anyone with Moore connections or ancestors in Rockingham Co., NC beginning with 1790 or earlier. 1790 census lists John, Benjamin, Samuel, and William Moore. 1800 census lists Benjamin, John, Nimrod, Peter (2), Samuel, and Thomas. 1810 census lists Barnet, Charles (2), Henry, Isaac, James (3), Reuben, Samuel, and Thomas (2). 1820 Tax list has Barnet, Benjamin, Charles, Foster, Henry, Isaac, James, John, Nathan, Reuben, Robert, Samuel, Smith, Thomas, and William. 1830 census lists Francis B., Henry, James W., John (3), Mary, Rebecca, Richard F., Robert (2), Samuel, Steven, Smith, Telitha, Thomas (3), and William. I am particularly interested in connections to John Moore, Revolutionary War veteran, b. in 1750s in Orange Co., NC and later moved to Rockingham Co., NC.—Cheryl Moore McCloskey, 815 Niewahner Drive, Villa Hills KY 41017.

STEELE/STEEL-DIXON-COX-BOON-ASHLEY: Need information on Isaac Steele (Rev. War Vet) b. 1732, Abbeville Dist., SC, m. Grissel Dixon. Their son, Isaac Steele, b. 1786, m. Cynthia Cox, lived DeKalb Co., GA, in 1850 and 1860, d. 1864 in Calhoun Co., MS. Children: Mary Irving, b. 1817, m. Joseph Ballenger; Alexander, b. 1819, m. Nancy Boon from KY (supposed to be kin to Daniel Boone’s family); Michael, b. 1821 m. Martha; Cynthia, b. 1824 m. D. H. Houghton; Rhoda, b. 1828; Isaac C., b. 1828; and Moses, b. 1832. Alexander and Nancy Boon Steele lived Dade Co., GA in 1850 and 1860 and had Elizabeth, b. 1838; Charles, b. 1841; Isaac L., b. 1842 m. Hanna Henson; George, b. 1843 m. Nancy; James Steele, b. 1844 m. Melissa (Lizzie) Ashley in Franklin Co., TN; Calvin, b. 1845 m. Mary Easter Jones; Pernelia, b. 1848; Abraham, b. 1849; Mattilda, b. 1852 m. Arch Thompson; William, b. 1856 m. Jerri; Ephraim, b. 1858; Nancy, b. 1859; and Alex. Could Melissa Ashley be the dau of Reuben Ashley on the 1850 and 1860 TN census? Steeles lived in AL, GA, TN, and MS.—Carita Moore Curtis, 11202 Ginger Road, Louisville KY 40229.

CLARK: Seek parents of Hiram Clark, b. 16 Oct 1813, Montgomery Co., NY, d. 12 Feb 1862 Smithfield, IN. Hiram’s wife was Polly Graham Harmon, b. 1 June 1812, Collins, NY(?), d. 27 Nov 1888 in Pawnee Rock, KS. Hiram’s father was George, Hiram had a brother Tim and others who lived in MI. Don’t know Hiram’s mother’s name.—Marilyn Crowell, Bartlett Road, South Dayton NY 14138-9625.

Ribuld
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Ribuld Park is funded by the Danish Government, but is also dependent upon gifts and grants from various organizations. Ribuld needs more members to continue its work, for it believes the world needs more friendship between people, and, because of its significance to America, sponsors Ribuld Chapters throughout the fifty states. Donations are spent for maintenance and for such items as transferring to videotapes more than fifty years of film strips from Ribuld Days, by Jess Jesse, Aalborg photographer.

The goal of the Society is to interest people of Danish descent all over the world to share in the tradition of Ribuld. Mr. Palle Thomsen, Board Member of San Francisco, has conducted extensive correspondence within the fifty states, urging the formation of local Ribuld Chapters. Two chapters have been formed recently, in Las Vegas, Nevada, and the Upper-Midwest Ribuld Chapter in Minneapolis, and members presently reside in thirty-six states, Washington, D.C. and the Virgin Islands. Persons wishing to contact American members to learn how to join, or form a Ribuld chapter in their state may contact the author with a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Each year many people of Danish descent visit the old country and frequently take the occasion to seek out the locality where their families lived before emigrating; some just want to contact relatives, but others wish to trace their ancestors. The names of many of these persons share the common suffix, “sen” (Jensen, Marcussen, Olsen, Rasmussen, etc.), indicative of probable Danish ancestry.

The Danes Worldwide Archives are the library and archive for the study of Danish emigration history. The Archives are also the best starting point for people of Danish descent who wish to trace their ancestors. The Archives, open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm and on Friday, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, is located at Ved Vor Frue Kirke (Church), P.O. Box 1731, 9100 Aalborg, Denmark. Telephone +45 98 12 57 93 and FAX +45 98 10 22 48.
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Kenton
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southeast corner of Locust and Market streets.

The citizens of Urbana loved the old frontiersman. Many had known him for several years.
Some had even been escorted to Urbana and Springfield by Kenton.

Simon was given special consideration. He was appointed his own jailer and given the freedom to roam within the two boundaries. Kenton moved his family above the jail where they lived for a year.

The citizens of Urbana believed in upholding the law; however, they weren't beyond bending the law to fit their own purposes.

In 1812 while Simon was still imprisoned, his little daughter, Elizabeth, died. She was buried the following day.

Simon was not one to break a solemn vow. He had given his word that he would stay within the boundaries of Urbana.

Kenton followed the funeral procession to the town boundary and here he stopped. Simon turned back, walked over to a large boulder where he sat down and cried.

In 1812 war broke out again between the United States and England. This was called the War of 1812.

Old General Shelby, leading Kentucky troops, stopped to assemble at Urbana which, at that time, was the last town before reaching Detroit.

Shelby and Kenton had been friends for years. The general asked Simon if he would like to come along as advisor. Kenton was now 57 years old. However, Simon couldn't pass up an opportunity such as this and he replied, "Aye, he'd come along."

Kenton was at the Battle of the Thames in Ontario, Canada when Tecumseh was killed.

The Kentons moved in 1819 to Zanesfield where they had purchased a small farm. Here Simon hired others to build him a stone barn which is partially standing today. I am told by the local people of Zanesfield that the barn was built from stone used in the old British fort that once stood near the Sloan Library.

Sometime during the late 1820s, the Kentons moved for the last time onto the farm of his daughter and son-in-law near the community of New Jerusalem, approximately five miles north of Zanesfield.

It was on this farm that Simon breathed his last breath, April 29, 1836. He was 81 years of age at the time of death.

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ALABAMA SOCIETY
NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Maroun was the outstanding presenter of awards. Prior to this event, our Chaplain holds a very touching memorial service for members no longer with us.

Commodore Sloat Chapter awarded a $500 scholarship to a high school senior. We published "Stories for our Grandchildren." We held monthly lineage workshops for prospective members under the guidance of our genealogist member Barbara Ferguson, and we held our 12th annual Genealogical Seminar (originated by Ruth Jones). We serve the public interest in this way, making many friends for DAR. It all makes for a very frantic January and February. Our DAR Museum Chairman, Mildred Morgan, has been up and running since the day she was appointed, raising funds for Adopt an Object and for the California State Hamlin House in Glendora. We enjoyed State Conference, gathering awards, watching our deb, Stephanie Martin, granddaughter of past Regent Frances Gooley, and taking pride in our State Regent Ruth Jones. We have done these things and much more in camaraderie and in pride at being the largest chapter in California.—Alda Lehman

BLACK'S FORT (Abingdon, VA) and IDAHO POCOHONTAS (Caldwell, ID). Mrs. W. H. Rhea of Black's Fort Chapter and her cousin, John A. Williamson of Caldwell, Idaho, had long been concerned about the burial place of many of their ancestors. Moore Cemetery, in southwest Virginia, contains 96 known graves. Revolutionary soldiers John Wright and William Moore are buried there as well as Andrew Patterson, Capt. William Buchanan, Col. James Edmondson and Capt. Robt. Edmondson, who served in the War of 1812. Veterans of the Civil War, Spanish American War, World War I and Korean War are also interred in this small rural burial ground.

For many years livestock grazed over the Cemetery, trampling the graves and dislodging the grave markers. A wire fence was later built around the perimeter. Then the livestock were kept out, but the trees and brush grew, over the years, into a virtual jungle, almost impossible to walk through.

In 1984, Mrs. Rhea and Mr. Williamson began a restoration project, asking known descendants in the community to donate labor and funds to remove the dense growth and level the ground. On several trips to Virginia, Mr. Williamson hand sprayed the recurring growth of brush. He donated Companion grass seed for planting and now the cemetery has responded to regular mowing and is attractive in its beautiful setting in southwest Virginia.

Periodic newsletters have been sent to nine states to known descendants of people buried here, asking assistance in the upkeep of the Moore Cemetery. Mrs. John A. Williamson of Idaho Pocahontas Chapter, has done secretarial work for the project. Mrs. Rhea has worked tirelessly as treasurer. Any correspondence or donations may be sent to Mrs. W. H. Rhea, 30413 Rhea Valley Road, Meadowview, VA 24361-9801.

Dorothea Henry Chapter, Sallie McAden Johnston Penn. Sallie Penn was born in Madison in 1853. In the mid 1880s she met wealthy Danvillian widower James Gabriel Penn while visiting relatives in North Carolina. They were married in Madison 20 January 1885.

Mrs. Penn's membership application was signed by Eugenia Washington, one of the Four Founders of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. On 4 March 1894 Sallie Penn organized the Dorothea Henry Chapter in her home on Main Street in Danville with fifteen charter members. She served as Regent for the chapter's first twenty-three years. When she resigned, the chapter made her Honorary Regent of the Chapter for life and presented her with a silver loving cup.

After selling her home in Danville in 1934, Sallie moved back to Madison. On 17 August 1944 at age 91, while visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. A. S. Johnston in Atlanta, Sallie Penn died and was buried in the Old Madison Cemetery in the Saffold Family Plot.

A Bronze NSDAR Grave-marker placed on the headstone of Sallie J. Penn 1853-1944 was the feature of the day. Ceremonies included Scripture, Prayer, Poem and a brief biography of Mrs. Penn.

At the First United Methodist Church in Madison, the group gathered to hear a brief organ recital played by Dayle Grumbles Welch, a member of the Dorothea Henry Chapter. This was significant as Mrs. Penn had donated the organ to the Church in 1915.

The next special feature of the day was to visit the historic Saffold house on North Second Street. According to Mrs. A. B. Shockley, Mrs. Penn's maternal grandfather, Adam G. Saffold, bought the house in 1817; Saffolds lived there for 100 years. Mrs. Shockley presented the two Chapter Regents and each family member with a color photograph of a portrait of Mrs. Penn. The painting is owned by relatives in Mississippi.

Concluding the days events was a bus tour of historic Madison and an especially prepared luncheon for members of the Dorothea Henry Chapter and the Henry Walton Chapter at the Madison-Morgan Cultural Center.

A very special guest for the Dorothea Henry Chapter members was Mrs. Averett P. Myers, Director of District III VA DAR. Mrs. Myers of Alberta, VA left Danville on the chartered bus arranged by the Dorothea Henry Chapter on Thursday, 14 October. Members stayed overnight in historic Bed and Breakfast accommodations and enjoyed southern hospitality in its grandest tradition.—Katherine E. Grumbles

CAPTAIN JONATHAN (Milford, DE). In an effort to increase awareness of the objectives of Daughters of the American Revolution and to create an interest in family research, Captain Jonathan Caldwell Chapter sponsored a genealogical workshop for the public on Saturday, November 6, 1993, at the new Milford Public Library. The event took place in the spacious conference room of the library, affording everyone an opportunity to see and use this modern new facility.

Marrilyn J. Bovis, Regent, introduced Elaine E. Johnston, Registrar, Delaware State Society, who conducted the workshop. Members of Captain Jonathan Caldwell Chapter were present to work individually with each visitor in order to answer questions and to help with the research. Many were just beginning to trace their family lines while others were trying desperately to find an illusive missing link.

Among chapter members volunteering their time for this ambitious project was Mrs. T.
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JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
Presents with honor their State Regent
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During Barbara's Administration the Texas Junior Membership Committee received the following awards at Continental Congress:

- 1992 Most Friends of the Junior Membership Committee
  Most New Juniors in the Nation—250
  Outstanding Junior Newsletter “Lone Star Regalia”
  100% Chapter Reporting
  Greater Sales of Innisbrook Wraps

- 1993 Greatest Number of New Juniors by Application—151
  Largest Contribution to Helen Pouch Memorial Fund
  Largest Sales of Innisbrook Wraps
  100% Chapter Reporting
  Special Recognition from the National Program Committee for the “Texas Junior Video”

  During Texas State Conferences 170 young women “Paged” in 1992 and 1993!

TEXAS JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND VICE CHAIRMEN 1991–1994

Front row l to r: Miss Virginia Poffenberger, Texas Page Chairman; Mrs. Larry J. Burks (Janet), Texas Junior Membership Chairman; Mrs. John Kenneth Harrell (Barbara), Texas State Regent, Mrs. Alan Apicella (Alita), Texas Junior Newsletter Chairman.

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The response by the public was extremely favorable. It was especially gratifying to have so many young adults who were genuinely interested in learning about their families.

Reference books, microfiche, work sheets, genealogical charts and other relevant publications were made available to the visitors so that they could begin their search immediately. It was a challenge to the members who were helping because there were inquiries about ancestors from California to Canada with a Hessian soldier having top priority in one gentleman’s line.

When answers were not readily available, members were able to refer the visitors to possible out-of-state sources.

The consensus was that the workshop was a good first step in acquainting the public with activities and goals of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Prior to the start of the workshop Captain Jonathan Caldwell Chapter presented to the Milford Public Library six hundred microfiche comprising the J. Turner Brown collection of historic records of the State of Delaware and copies of family Bible records which have been collected and donated by the chapter to the State Archives for preservation on acid free paper. "A Century of Service to the Nation" and a subscription to the DAR magazine were also presented to the library.—Maurnyn J. Bois

ONEIDA CHAPTER (Utica, NY) organized 19 June 1893 and chartered 25 July 1893, recently celebrated its centennial anniversary of service to God, Home and Country. It was the first women’s society organized in Utica, NY and the fourth chartered chapter in the state. Our first meeting was held at the stately home of Mrs. Roscoe Conkling (Julia Seymour Conkling), Organizing Regent. More than forty were in attendance. Mrs. Conkling, wife of then state senator Roscoe Conkling, presided over the fledgling chapter until her untimely death on 18 October of that same year.

Our centennial meeting was held at the Yahnundasis Golf Club, New Hartford, NY, and featured as our honored guest, the State Regent, Mrs. Walter L. DeVries. On display were our charter, framed in oak, and a photograph of Julia Seymour Conkling, framed in sterling silver.

Centennial Regent Mrs. Jerard M. Riddell presided over a gathering of state officers and state chairmen, in a room decorated in gold and blue. All attending received as a gift of the chapter a scroll commemorating our chapter’s achievements and a glass cup marked with Oneida’s name and years of existence.

Noteworthy achievements have been many: we can boast of a State Regent, Mrs. Henry R. Roberts (1905–1908), a State Chaplain, Mrs. Robert Sloan (1965–1968), a State Historian, Mrs. Phillip B. Husted (1977–1980), and a State Treasurer, Mrs. Ernest N. Ryss (1992–1995). We hosted the first New York State Conference in 1896, in Utica, where twenty chapters attended. Another chapter Regent, Mrs. John W. Griffiths, organized the first Central New York Regent’s Round Table in 1928, which is still a strong and dedicated group of twenty-plus chapters.

Found in the minutes of an 1895 meeting is this quotation, true then and now: "We are strong now, not only in members but in the quality of our membership, and may be pretty proud of claiming for the Oneida Chapter, NSDAR the brightest, best and fairest of Utica’s women." —Gail Garinghouse Ryss

HUGH ROGERS (Lake Junaluska, NC) held a special Memorial Marker service, Sunday, July 25, 1993, at 3:00 pm, at the Thad Rogers cemetery in Fines Creek, North Carolina, honoring the chapter’s name sake. The chapter and descendants raised $3,200.00 for the new double headstone and the chapter placed the DAR bronze Insignia above the names. The footmarks are of bronze for Hugh Rogers and wife Nancy Thornton Rogers.

United States Flags and red, white and blue bows and ribbon marked the driveway from the entrance to the grave site. Although it was a very hot day there were around 200 relatives and friends who attended this ceremony.

The ceremony opened with three trumpeters: Jay Markley and his two sons, Jonathan and Robert, as the Color Guards posted the colors. Mrs. Virginia G. Reid, Regent, welcomed the guests. The invocation was given by Rev. David Reeves. Mr. John Best led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Gail Leatherwood, Chaplain, led the American Creed. The National Anthem was sung by Judge J. Maralene Hyatt.

The dedication and acceptance were given by Virginia G. Reid, Regent, as the unveilers, Greg McCracken and Mark Rogers, unveiled the stone. A tribute to Hugh and Nancy Rogers was given by John Rogers. "Faith of Our Fathers" was sung by Teddy Rogers as the Carol Best Band played. The benediction was given by John McCracken. The ceremony ended with taps. All who had a part in this ceremony were descendants of Hugh Rogers and wife Nancy Thornton Rogers.

The chapter was honored to have some of our State Officers present: Mr. and Mrs. George Earl Thompson, State Regent; Mrs. Richard Teague, Vice Regent; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Berryhill, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Robert Getz, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. James Barbot, Treasurer; Mrs. John Peavey, Historian; Miss Charolette Carmean, District 1 Director, and Christine Rogers, DAR Good Citizen Chairman.

After the ceremony, DAR members and guests had dinner at Lambeth Inn.—Virginia Green Reid

VENANGO (Franklin, PA) has an on-going historical preservation project: the care and upkeep of Pioneer Cemetery in Franklin which is possibly the oldest cemetery in Venango County. Members participate in regular clean-up days, and special services are held there each Memorial Day.

The Franklin Pioneer Cemetery had been forgotten—monuments were broken—brush grew throughout—and no interest was taken in this historical site. Then in 1952 the Venango Chapter, Franklin City Council and area citizens began working to make this site a beautiful cemetery.

There are three Revolutionary War veterans, two Civil War veterans and nine War of 1812 veterans buried there. Also located in the cemetery is the grave and monument of George Power, the first permanent white settler in Franklin. Mr. Power came in 1767 to help build Fort Franklin. In 1790 he returned to the area to make his home. Also buried in the cemetery is a soldier from Napoleon’s army.

The first recorded interment in Pioneer Cemetery was Michael Hulling who operated a keel boat on the Allegheny River, running from Pittsburgh to Franklin. Mr. Hulling was drowned in French Creek.

Records indicate 243 graves, but due to passing years, many records and headstones were lost.

This historical plot was set aside by the pioneer fathers in 1795 for a "burying ground" at the time Franklin was laid out.

ARREDONDO (Amarillo, TX). Sue Kelly a chapter member has spent the past year in Almaty, Kazakhstan, a Central Asian Republic which was formerly part of the Soviet Union. She taught Business English to adults who wanted to become interpreters for English-speaking business people. Her husband, Carter Kelly, was invited by the Kazakhstan government to be a consultant to help privatize state-owned industries. Although the government soon lost interest in privatizing, Sue and Carter spent an interesting year learning about a
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Phyllis joined Commodore Preble Chapter as a junior member in 1972. She has served our Chapter as Regent, Vice Regent, Secretary and Parliamentarian, as well as serving as chairman on many committees.

On the State level, she has been Ohio Outstanding Junior, State Page and Marshal; Chairman Seimes Microfilm, Junior Membership; Conference Chairman for six administrations, all Clubs and Organizations OSDAR, State Organizing Secretary, State Librarian, and State Parliamentarian.

On the National level, Vice Chairman EC Division Seimes Microfilm, Americanism and DAR Manual for Citizenship, Insignia, Motion Picture, Radio and Television, and Friends of the Library. She has been on the Speakers Staff and served as a National Page and Marshal.

Phyllis has been encouraged in her endeavors by her mother Mrs. Bertha Wiley Homer (Mrs. Gerald) who is an active member of Commodore Preble.

Commodore Preble Chapter was organized in 1924 and named in honor of Commodore Edward Preble born August 15, 1761 at Portland, Maine. He acquired honor in both the Revolutionary War and the War with Tripoli in 1803.
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FEATHER RIVER (Oroville, CA). Answering a challenge by California State Regent, Mrs. Harry F. H. Jones, our Feather River Chapter received outstanding recognition at the November 11, 1993 Northern Council session by presenting a worthy young American for a special award.

To be eligible for the award, the recipients must be between 18 and 36 years of age, a California resident and nationally recognized. Upon receipt of a portfolio and recommendation from ROTC Lt. Col. Bernard M. Stein, the Feather River Regent, Virginia Stanton submitted the candidate to the state chairman, Romaine Veronda, to be chosen by a panel of judges. The prestigious "Young American" award was given to Wayne Q. Boggess of Linda, California representing Feather River Chapter.

Eighteen year old, Wayne Boggess, is a native Californian who won national recognition through his distinguished years as a Junior ROTC student at Lindhurst High School and the Civil Air Patrol at Beale Air Force Base nearby. Wayne was a very active and dedicated Cadet with a military future as his goal. Wayne received numerous awards during this period. In his freshman year, Wayne was presented with the Sons of the American Revolution's ROTC medal and certificate. He also received the Air Force Associations "California Cadet of the Year for 1992" and was given the "Silver Star of Valor" while in the Civil Air Patrol.

Wayne was listed in the "Who's Who Among American High School Students" for the year 1991-92 year. In 1992, a Captain of the Thunderbirds presented Cadet Boggess with the Air Force Jr. ROTC "Gold Valor Award," the highest honor that can be received. The Gold Valor award was accompanied by a certificate which states "Cadet Major Wayne Q. Boggess distinguished himself by a voluntary act of personal bravery when an armed gunman entered Lindhurst High School on May 1, 1992. After entering the school, the gunman opened fire on students and teachers. Without regard for his own safety, Cadet Boggess aided and directed other students out of harms way. Seeing a wounded teacher and attempting to give aid and assistance, Cadet Boggess was hit with multiple gunshots and critically wounded. His act of bravery clearly saved the lives of students and teachers. Of great significance is the fact that Cadet Boggess could have departed the building without injury, but chose to risk his life in an attempt to save others. The heroic action taken by Boggess reflects great credit upon himself, his family, Lindhurst High School, the California 51st Air Force Junior ROTC unit and the United States Air Force."

Cadet Boggess, severely wounded during the Lindhurst High School shooting, was presented the "Purple Heart" at the 1993 JR. ROTC awards ceremony. He graduated from JR. ROTC as Cadet Lt. Colonel.

Wayne and his father, Tom Boggess, accompanied Regent Stanton, Vice Regent Geraldine Sheehan and Chapter Secretary, June W. Seim, to the November Northern Council meeting held in Sunnyvale, California. Presenting the "Young American" award was California State Regent, Mrs. Harry F. H. Jones, who expressed sincere congratulations to this young man who now has to forgo his dream and ambition to serve in the military due to his injuries. The entire assemblage gave a standing ovation and held back tears as this gallant young man appeared so dignified and stalwart in full dress uniform on this memorable Veterans Day!

Feather River Chapter is proud to know a youth of such stature and determination as a true American to present to the State DAR as well as to the National Society for special recognition.—June W. Seim

PATRIOTS (Lake Placid, FL). The World War II Commemorative Committee, Lena Hoffer, Chairman, has been involved in one of the most historical events to be celebrated in Highlands County. This was the reunion in October of members of the crew of the USS Highlands, a Victory ship that was commissioned in 1943 to transport troops to the Southern Pacific. Mrs. Hoffer presented a Certificate of Appreciation from DAR to Mr. Sampley for his work in bringing about the reunion. Thirty-three members of the crew and their wives and friends were guests at the first meeting of the year for Patriots Chapter. The afternoon began with refreshments for the guests and members and the program consisted of several short talks by three persons who were directly responsible for organizing the reunion: Henry Sampley, the Coordinator, Dr. Stanley Tuell, co-author of a booklet called 'The Story of the USS Highlands,' and Mr. Charles D. Duke, who had kept a log of his Highlands experiences. Remarks followed from all of the crew members present.

The following morning the crew members and guests were honored at the regular meeting of the Commissioners of Highlands County, and were introduced and asked to make any comments they had.

The crew members and visitors then were honored at the placing of a plaque in memory of the crew and the USS Highlands which was set in the lawn of the Court House in Sebring, Florida. All veteran organizations of the County were represented with their individual chapter flags flying formed a background for the master of ceremonies for the morning, Roy Whitton, President of the Air Corps Veterans Chapter.

Members of Patriots Chapter, Lena Hoffer, Regent, Carolyn Hargrove, Bettie Fleming and Ann Moore, Secretary, attended the ceremonies.

The banquet honoring the crew of the USS Highlands held the following night was attended by Regent Hargrove and Lena Hoffer. In her remarks, Lena Hoffer said, "In a few hours... all of you former crew members of the USS Highlands will be leaving our community. Those of us who remain will have cause to reflect on your congeniality, your cooperation, your compatibility, but most of all, your camaraderie. It can be liked to a warm and wonderful haze settling over Highlands County. We are blessed by your presence and hope you leave with good feelings."

Patriots Chapter is fortunate to have such a willing and hard working member as Lena Hoffer to serve as Chairman of the World War II Commemorative Committee. Other members of the Committee are Regent Hargrove, Ex-Officio, Margaret Almer, Kathryn Ireland, Eugenia McJunkin, Ann Moore and Norma Witter.

ANN POAGE (Houston, TX). During the American Revolution, three Etheredge brothers, Aaron, Caleb Jr., and Robert, served together in Capt. William Brinkley's First Regt. of the North Carolina Militia commanded by Col. Samuel Jarvis. Jo Ann Ethridge Bolton, Alice Etheredge and Dorothy Symmonds, each traces ancestry to a different one of the brothers. By 1791, Aaron lived in South Carolina, Caleb Jr. in North Carolina, and Robert in Georgia. Thereafter, their de-
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Ellen Benedict's theme as State Regent is "New Members Revitalize Chapters; Every Member Get A Member!" Ellen, an avid genealogist, was appointed State Lineage Research Chairman four months after she became a member of NSDAR in April 1984. She has served as both Chapter Registrar (two terms) and as State Registrar, as well as in other offices and chairmanships. She has worked diligently during the nearly ten years she has been a member conducting Traveling Lineage Research Workshops to help Oregon chapters acquire new members. Ellen was the recipient in 1988 of the NSDAR Continental Congress Award: Outstanding State Chairman of Lineage Research. In 1991, she received the Medal of Appreciation from the Oregon State Society Sons of the American Revolution. She is supportive of the C.A.R.; two societies have been formed during her administration. Ellen works hard to gain new members, knowing that they are the life blood of our wonderful organization!

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descendants spread through North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Illinois, Mississippi and Texas with surnames spelled ETHERIDGE, ETHERIDGE, or ETHERIDGE.

In the photo from left to right, Jo Ann, a descendant of Robert, Alice, a descendant of Aaron and Dorothy, a descendant of Caleb, Jr., enjoy membership in the Ann Poage Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

COLONEL JETHRO SUMNER
(Gallatin, TN) honored Margaret Boucher, 90 years old, at a luncheon on November 19, 1993. She is a 40-year member. On December 9, Dorothy Cresap, member, and husband Dr. Bernard Cresap were honored with the presentation of the NSDAR Award for Excellence in Community Service, for their work in developing the Sumner County Archives into one of the best in the State of Tennessee. They have also been honored by the Tennessee State Legislature in Senate Resolution #119 for their work.

Challenged by State Regent Linda Watkins to increase membership, provide publicity, and help DAR schools, we gave a lineage workshop in June, presented by member Shirley Wilson, CG, publicized our meetings in the local newspaper, had a Constitution Week Proclamation, and planned articles on World War II and chapter history.

Our program in May was on Historic Sites. We gave a donation to Rosemont, historic home of Joe Conn Guild. We adopted a cottage of eight young girls at Tamassea, and donated clothes to Kate Duncan Smith. We are giving flag codes to every 8th grade student in the County, and served refreshments to our veter-

ans in the VA hospital at Christmas.

May 31, we planted a tree at the county Administration Building in honor and memory of all veterans past and present. We had programs on literacy and national defense, and gave to the President General's Project. We mourn the loss of two past regents, Sarah Peyton and Jean Allen Wade, in 1993.


Born in Cisco, TX, May 19, 1909, Mrs. Lawson enlisted in the U.S. Navy, June 12, 1944, and entered active service July 27, 1944. In the Navy, she trained young sailors how to maintain and use the big guns used on ships. She earned the rank of SP (Gunnermates) 3rd Class (T) and served in USNTSCH (WR), Bronx, NY; Roosevelt Base, Treasure Island, and San Pedro, CA. Her military decorations include American Theater Ribbon and World War II Victory Ribbon.

After her discharge in November, 1945, she returned to teaching in Texas and later in California where she met her husband, Thomas M. Lawson.

Mrs. Lawson was a member of the Esther McCrory Chapter, Amarillo, TX, from October 21, 1931 until 1944, when she resigned to join the Navy. After she and her husband retired to Pismo Beach, Mrs. Lawson was reinstated into La Cuesta Chapter on December 13, 1978. She held many leadership roles and hosted the chapter Christmas Luncheon, December 1992. She was also active in her church, a founding member of the local chapter American Association of University Women, a member of the Pismo Beach Women's Club and the Order of the Eastern Star.—Mary Bhua

CHUCALISSA (Memphis, TN). Christina Clapsadle, First Vice Regent, and one of her students, Tedrick Brunson (who is planning to attend Bacon Junior College this year), traveled to Anaheim, California to accept a cash award and a recognition plaque as one of four National winners announced at the FHA/HERO 1993 "Giving it 100% Award for Community Service."

Westwood High School, in the southwest corner of Memphis, seemed especially plagued by violence. After seeing the increase in violence and guns becoming common place, the FHA/HERO chapter of Westwood began a campaign to "Stop the Violence" in their school.

The students signed petitions, collected news articles about violence that involved their school. They put up bulletin boards titled "Don't Shoot Up Your Future," and one outside the cafeteria called "The Time is Now to Stop the Violence." Pins were designed and distributed to students, also given to the Mayor of Memphis, members of the Board of Education, as well as TV and Radio personalities. They also made a video that was shown by Channel 1 TV. News releases about the school campaign created publicity on commercial TV and radio and helped obtain security gates and cameras for the school; plus they now have an active parent group that monitors the halls of the school building. The Memphis City School board is creating a task force to deal with violence in the schools as a direct result of this campaign. There has been a noticeable decrease in violence.

Future Homemakers of America is a national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work and societal issues through vocational home economics education.

FRANCOIS GODFROY (Montpeller, IN) participated in a five-year celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the U.S. Constitution. A commission was established by the Indiana General Assembly in 1986 to carry out a five-year celebration of the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution, signed September 17, 1877, and the Northwest Ordinance, enacted on July 13, 1857. The focus was to be on the beginnings and evolution of our system of government under the Constitution to include the Constitution's history, the Legislative Branch, the powers of the President, the Judicial Branch and the Bill of Rights.

Montpelier was one of the 51 Indiana communities designated as an official Bicentennial community for its participation in this five-year event.

Led by Mayor Kenneth D. Neff and Historian Lucile Henley and joined by area scouts, school representatives and religious leaders as well as Francois Godfrey Chapter, various activities were conducted throughout the celebration.

Montpelier students recited essays on constitutional history as part of the "Bells Across America" tribute, and public discussion on the importance of the Constitution were held. Pocket-size Constitutions were distributed to citizens of the community. Francois Godfrey Chapter planted tulip trees in a downtown Montpelier park and on site at the Blackford County courthouse in Hartford City. During the celebration, an ongoing historic poster display was exhibited in a downtown business window. Essay contests in the county schools were conducted on themes of "Constitution Week" and our responsibilities as "We The People." An official poster exhibit "The Blessings of Liberty" was presented to Blackford Circuit Court Judge Bruce Bade. Montpelier's local television channel was utilized to feature historical highlights as a public service.

Following the conclusion of this historic five-year celebration, a collection of some of the reported activities from all over the United States was compiled into book form by the Federal Bicentennial Commission.—Judith VanCamp
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