November is an inspiring time to be in our nation’s capital during the observance of Veterans Day. Driving around the city and viewing the many memorials which pay tribute to patriotic citizens who served our country in times of conflict is a humbling experience and a reminder of the debt owed to these great heroes for the many freedoms we all enjoy.

From its earliest beginnings, the DAR has been committed to honoring and supporting our armed forces in times of war and in times of peace. Chapters are encouraged to honor veterans, active military personnel and their families during special observances on November 11th and to continue to support them through the work of our various committees.

Each year the DAR Service for Veterans Committee encourages chapters to recognize outstanding veterans and volunteers for their service to America’s veterans. I hope you will recognize volunteers in your community for the work they do to support these heroes.

The DAR Project Patriot Committee encourages chapters to honor and support our active military personnel. We can all be very proud of the fact that over the last few years, since adopting the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany, the generosity of our members has enabled the National Society to send approximately 25,000 60-minute phone cards, almost $40,000 worth of shoes and specific clothing items, as well as donations amounting to $40,000 for projects supporting the soldiers wounded in the war in Iraq. Your continuing support of this project will be greatly appreciated.

During this special month of American holidays, we also celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering and giving thanks for our many blessings. The Continental Congress recommended days of Thanksgiving during the American Revolution and George Washington issued the first National Thanksgiving Proclamation in 1789. On October 3, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued a Thanksgiving Proclamation after which Thanksgiving became a national holiday.

We all know that the true spirit of the holidays is in the giving, but many times the best gift is a gift of time. I hope you will take time to contact members of the chapter who are not able to attend meetings on a regular basis and let them know that they are missed and that you hope they will be able to attend a meeting in the upcoming months.

May the warmth and hospitality of family and friends bring you joy during this special holiday season.

Faithfully,

Linda Gist Calvin
President General
News From DAR Headquarters

Office of the Chaplain General

Reminders to Chapter Chaplains

Remember the theme of the Calvin Administration: “The Spirit of Hospitality Opens Doors of Opportunity.” Chapter Chaplains can open doors of hospitality with cards, calls and visits to the homebound, ill and bereaved members of their chapters. Not only must Chapter Chaplains comfort the bereaved and communicate with the homebound, but they also have the special joy of celebrating milestone birthdays with those members reaching age 90 and beyond. Indeed, the duties of the Chapter Chaplains are actually privileges of ministry that reach far beyond the leading of the Opening Ritual at chapter meetings, as significant as that responsibility might be.

If a Chapter Chaplain does not have in hand her section of the National Information Packet (NIP), she is urged to call her Chapter Regent or State Chaplain or go to the Members’ Web site to access the NIP online. It is extremely important that instructions are followed and the proper forms are mailed to the State Chaplains and the Chaplain General.

The Chaplain General should receive birthday notices for members turning ages 90 and 100 by the 15th of the month prior to the member’s birthday in order for special birthday greeting cards from the Chaplain General to be received in a timely manner. Chapter Chaplains, contact your Chapter Registrar and ask her to give you the birthdates of the chapter members, beginning with the 90th birthdays and continuing through age 100 and beyond.

For questions to your chaplains, contact your State Chaplain. The State Chaplains are well-informed and eager to help you carry out your duties. They are the vital link between the Chapter Chaplains and the Chaplain General.

It is my special prayer that Chapter Chaplains will demonstrate genuine care for those members within their chapters who have given so many years of devoted DAR service.

Dell Dickins Scoper
Chaplain General

Office of the Treasurer General

Chapter Treasurers have a big job this time of year—the receipt and remittance of annual dues for active members. I hope it is going well and know that you will remember to make your check payable to Treasurer General, NSDAR, but send it to the Office of the Organizing Secretary General, Membership Services Department as provided in the instructions forwarded with the Chapter Dues Printout.

A few other reminders seem appropriate since many dues notices include the opportunity to subscribe to the National Defender and American Spirit magazine. Although the check is made payable to Treasurer General, NSDAR, requests for the National Defender should be mailed to the Office of the Reporter General, National Defense, and American Spirit.

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subscriptions are to be sent to the DAR Magazine Office.

Chapter Achievement Award contributions, as well as those for DAR schools, C.A.R., DAR Scholarships, the President General’s Project, the Museum and the Library must go to the State Treasurer, who in turn sends them to the Treasurer General. Following this procedure ensures that the proper Chapter Achievement Award credit is assigned at both state and national levels for each contribution and enables the National Society to track these financial contributions that demonstrate support of our objectives. Please be sure to designate the exact amount for each fund. State Treasurers: if you have not already done so, please send a transmittal form to your chapters to use in completing their Chapter Achievement Award contributions.

The DAR Schools receive notification of donations of more than $25 if the State Treasurer sends the special form to the Treasurer General’s Office first if you have questions about this new reporting requirement. If you have not yet received a notice, contact the Office of the Organizing Secretary General, Chapter Services Department to be sure they have your EIN number on file. If you do not have or do not know your EIN, the Chapter Services Department can assist you. E-mail chapterservices@dar.org for help. Do not ask the IRS for a new EIN until you have verified your chapter’s status with Headquarters. Please feel free to contact the Office of the Treasurer General for questions regarding the 990-N or other subjects at either pshurd@dar.org or TGaccounting@dar.org.

During this special time of year, may your home be filled with simple joys, love and goodness of heart, and may those who gather feel the warmth of your spirit of hospitality this holiday season.

Margaret Sinclair Hurd
Treasurer General

Office of the Historian General

A collection development policy for the Americana Collection was recently approved to provide guidance to both NSDAR archivists and potential donors regarding the development and management of the Americana Collection.

The concept of an Americana Collection intended to house manuscripts and imprints pertaining to the history of Colonial America, the Revolutionary War period and the Early National period emerged at the time of the commemoration of the National Society’s 50th anniversary.

FROM THE COLLECTION
DAR MUSEUM FEATURED OBJECT

EMBROIDERED WOOL BLANKETS were not uncommon in the 18th century. Often floral sprigs or geometric designs were embroidered between woven checks, or a larger design meandered along the top border of the blanket. Here, however, this extra-heavy wool example with embroidery all over is intended to be used instead of a quilt as the decorative bedcover, so it is more correctly called a counterpane (the term for a non-quilted bedcover) than an embroidered blanket.

The meandering vine border is similar to borders seen on quilts and embroidered white cotton counterpanes, but the sprigs in the center do not recall typical designs of other styles of bedcover from its time. The hearts near the top should not necessarily be taken to symbolize love and marriage, as they were a popular motif often incorporated into the decorative arts.

This object is part of the DAR Museum’s exhibition “New Threads: Quilts and Costumes,” running from November 9, 2007, to March 1, 2008. By showcasing recently acquired textile objects and examining the process of building a collection, the exhibit explains how objects relate to the collection and why some artifacts are accepted while others are not.
anniversary in 1940. Collecting emphasis is placed on acquiring original historical records including material that reveals the political, economic, geographic, intellectual, familial or cultural development of the American people to 1830. We are especially interested in acquiring manuscript items with a focus on early American women’s history. The collection is also home to household inventories, samples of Colonial-era currency, court records, birth and marriage records, land deeds and grants and military documents. Today the collection contains more than 4,000 accessions.

Potential donations must be preapproved by the Office of the Historian General. Please do not submit materials for the collection without first speaking to one of our archivists. Submitted materials that do not conform to this policy may be returned to the donor or deposited elsewhere at NSDAR. Any available information concerning the provenance of donated items should accompany the donation. It is requested that donors do not attempt to repair documents before offering them to the National Society, as inexperienced repair work often causes irreparable damage to historical materials.

The Americana Collection is intended for research use by DAR members and staff and the general public, including students. The collection is open for research purposes to anyone who agrees to comply with both building security requirements and proper handling techniques for collections.

A full copy of the collection policy is available on the Members’ Web Site in the Forms section. The Historian General’s Office may also be reached by telephone at (202) 879–3256 or e-mail at historian@dar.org.

Office of the Curator General

Updates to Museum Storage Areas

As a result of the DAR building conservation study and a DAR Museum conservation survey, new heating ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems have now been installed in two areas of Memorial Continental Hall used to store part of the Museum collection. Prior to this time, there was insufficient control over temperature and humidity in these storage spaces, resulting in damage to some of the collection. Our goal is to regulate the climate in these areas so that the temperature stays at 68 degrees and the humidity is maintained at 50 percent. Under these conditions, fragile objects in the Museum collection are spared the strain that comes from changes in the storage environment that allow wood to warp and split, mold to grow and metal to corrode.

The new HVAC systems are part of a larger effort to improve storage for the Museum collection. The process began in 1999 with a study by a conservator who developed a master storage plan that described the needs for each of the four storage areas used by the Museum. Generous donations from DAR members funded the renovations to the Landes Luby Quilt and Coverlet Repository and the artwork storage room.

The conservation survey conducted in 2005 provided more recommendations for creating furniture storage and object storage rooms with optimum conditions. In order for these modifications to take place, all objects stored in these areas needed to be removed. Furniture, metal objects, ceramics and toys were temporarily placed in several of the period rooms on the lower level and the third floor of Memorial Continental Hall. In addition to the new HVAC systems, furniture and object storage received new lighting, shelving and computer and phone lines. With these changes completed, Museum staff members moved objects back into their new homes where they will be preserved to educate future generations about what it was like to live in Colonial America.

DAR Museum Summer Camps

This summer the DAR Museum held its 11th annual Quilt Camp and seventh annual Colonial Camp. Both camps have become very popular, and this year a second Colonial Camp was added.

The Museum hosted six young aspiring quilters ages 10–12 during the two-week-long Quilt Camp. The four returning and two new campers put their sewing and quilting skills to the test as they worked to complete a 24-inch quilted appliqué square comprised of a colorful floral arrangement and vase based on a section from Mary Simon’s Baltimore Album quilt, circa 1850. To highlight the campers’ accomplishments, the quilt squares were displayed for a week in the Administration Building of the NSDAR Headquarters during the month of October.

Jan Carlson, Quilt Camp Instructor, led another successful camp with her inspired design. Sponsors for the 2007 Quilt Camp were Fairfax Quilters Unlimited, Burke Quilters Unlimited and Everybody’s Quilt Guild. To complement their two weeks of quilting, campers took a behind-the-scenes tour of the Museum’s quilt and furniture storage; learned about quilting history; examined quilts from the collection; and visited special exhibitions at the Department of Interior Museum and Corcoran Gallery of Art.

This year’s Colonial Camp marked two milestones. The first was the addition of a second camp after the first camp’s registration filled in four days. The second was a wreath-laying ceremony conducted by the campers at the Old Presbyterian Meeting House’s “Tomb of the Unknown Soldier” in Alexandria, Va. The first camp hosted seven eager campers ages 7–10 and two junior camp counselors. The second camp hosted 14 enthusiastic campers ages 8–11 and three junior camp counselors.

During the camp, campers learned about the lives of pirates, spy children and Colonial men and women through crafts, cooking, acting, dancing and deportment. Additionally, campers were entertained by a Colonial balladeer that played Colonial songs using musical instruments such as the
saw and bow, bottles, the Spanish guitar and the Jew’s harp. To enhance their experience, campers dressed in period costume and enjoyed a field trip to Old Town Alexandria, where they took an indoor and outdoor walking tour of Colonial America. The American Ladies, composed of Patricia Sowers and Jackie Geschickter, did an amazing job bringing to life Colonial times while teaching campers about the history of our country. Huzzah!

The DAR Museum Staff would like to thank the DAR Museum Camper Buddies for their support of the camps. An additional thank you is extended to everyone who helped with this year’s camps.

### Museum Docents

Are you interested in giving tours of the DAR Museum Period Rooms? Then become a DAR Museum Docent! The next New Docent Training Sessions will be held on February 20–22, 2008, at the DAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Please contact the DAR Museum Office at (202) 879–3341 or museum@dar.org for more information about becoming a DAR Museum Docent.

The following Correspondent Docent Programs are now available in PowerPoint: Christmas in the DAR Period Rooms; For the Fun of It; It’s About Time; Myth or Truth; Something Old, Something New; and A Tour of the DAR Period Rooms. For more information or to order, please contact the Museum at (202) 879–3341 or museum@dar.org.

### ShopforMuseums.com Reminder

Help raise money for the DAR Museum by doing something we all enjoy—shopping! The DAR Museum is working with ShopforMuseums.com to raise money. When you, or anyone you know, shop online at retailers such as Amazon, Target, Land’s End, Cooking.com, Marriott Hotels and many others, first go to the www.ShopforMuseums.com Web site, select the DAR Museum as your museum to support, and then click the link to the store where you want to shop. A percentage of the purchase price is then donated back to the DAR Museum!

ShopforMuseums.com is an online fund-raising tool designed to help museums earn extra donation money through your regular online shopping. The donations come from the marketing budgets of the retailers so you can support the DAR Museum at no extra cost to you. Shopping online could even save you money.

### Some New Features and Bonuses to ShopforMuseums.com

- There is now a highlights page that you can visit to learn about the DAR Museum and how your donation helps.
- You can get special coupons and discounts, such as free shipping or a percentage off of your purchase, that can’t be found anywhere else. They are easy to find on the site, or you can have them e-mailed to you.
- As you sign up you get a My Accounts page that allows you to mark favorite stores and track your total donations. You can also shop anonymously. ShopforMuseums.com does not sell anything directly, collect any credit card or financial information, or allow spam.
- ShopforMuseums.com holds contests and drawings regularly with prizes such as an electric guitar set, pool supplies, deluxe steak packages or free movie tickets. Other promotions like double donation days and holiday specials are run throughout the year.

Take a moment to visit ShopforMuseums.com and see how easy it is to donate to the DAR Museum while shopping online with your favorite retailers. The DAR Museum thanks you for your support!

### CORRECTION: The July/August 2007 issue incorrectly stated that the inkwell shown as the DAR Museum Featured Object was a gift from the DAR Museum Committee. The object was actually a gift from the DAR Museum Docents.

### Office of Development

#### Discontinuance of Affinity Marketing Program

At the June 27, 2007, Executive Committee meeting, a ruling was passed to discontinue all affinity marketing programs related to NSDAR effective December 31, 2007. These programs include, but are not limited to, Bank of America credit card (formerly MBNA), Liberty Mutual Insurance and RKI-promoted insurance plans, which include Genworth long-term care, Medicare supplement and travel/accident insurance.

This decision was based on declining income from these programs as well as the dissatisfaction that has been expressed by...
cost per word: $1. Make check payable to Treasurer General NSDAR and mail with query to the DAR Magazine Office, 1776 D Street NW, Washington, DC 20006–5303. Please keep in mind that all words count, including names and addresses. Anyone doing genealogical research, including DAR members and nonmembers, may submit a query for publication. If you would like an acknowledgment that we have received your query, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped postcard along with your copy and payment.

EVARTS/EVERTS: Jesse, married Martha Stockwell, both born in Vermont. Need dates, residences, parents, children. Contact Eunice Martin, (913) 631–8168 or drgorbyray@everestkc.net.

HINDERLITER/HINTERLEITER: Frederick, born in Berks County, Pa., circa 1760, died September 25, 1829, in Northumberland County, Pa. First wife Anna Maria Harrington died June 21, 1822, in Northumberland or Schuylkill County, Pa. Need dates of birth, burial sites and marriage. Contact Sylvia Flott, 1754 Road 190, Emporia, KS 66801.

SHULTS: Need maiden name and parents of Nancy, who married David Shults circa 1780s in Sullivan Co., N.C./Tenn. Contact Debra Hoffman, P.O. Box 755, New Windsor, MD 21776 or d2hoffman@verizon.net.


VICKERS: Need parents of Prudence Vickers, born 1805 in Georgia, married 1824 in Georgia to Riley Wise. Contact Martha Slater, 1079 Violet Way, Gilroy, CA 95020 or mslater106@aol.com.

members regarding the mail solicitations sent for these programs.

We have faith that members will continue to support our other worthwhile projects, such as the President General’s Project for restoration and renovation of our historic National Headquarters and support of the programs of NSDAR. With such support, the income of more than $150,000 annually that has been generated by these affinity marketing programs can be made up through member contributions.

Please contact the Development Office at development@dar.org or (202) 628–1776 if you have questions regarding your existing accounts with these companies. Our understanding is that your account and policies will remain intact; the DAR will simply not receive the royalties from these companies and will no longer promote them to members.

Thank you for your continued support as together we open doors of opportunity for service to God, home and country!
Spread the American Spirit

Empower Your Chapter With The Latest News From DAR Headquarters and Around The World

“Spread the American Spirit” is a contest from American Spirit magazine and Daughters newsletter. We invite you to expand subscriptions within your chapters and be eligible to win special awards and valuable prizes.

American Spirit magazine links members of today to their common past. This colorful and relevant magazine is the perfect way to share your heritage with family, friends and community. The Daughters newsletter provides your chapter with vital DAR information at the national, state and local levels, with news from National Headquarters, ideas for chapter programs, and much more. These publications are the voices of the 21st century DAR.

To compete, your chapter must increase its total percentage of subscribers. The contest is not based on how many individual subscribers you have, but on the percentage of subscribers relative to your total membership (based on the official membership count as of January 1, 2007). For example, if your chapter has 100 members with 20 current subscribers, and you increase your subscription rate by 50 people, your total subscription percentage is 70%. If you have a chapter with 10 members and two current subscribers, and you get the other eight people to subscribe, your total percentage is 100%. So, even the smallest chapter can win.

Prizes range from special ribbons for Congress, reception invitations, and discounts … to VIP seating at Congress and a luncheon with the DAR Magazine National Chairman. And of course, all winners will attain Chapter Achievement credit. The chapter with the largest percentage of subscriptions will win the grand prize of two round trip tickets to anywhere in the United States (with a total value of $1,000), which can be raffled off among chapter members. In case of a tie, a drawing between chapters will determine the winner.

Don’t miss out on this exciting new contest where each chapter can be a winner.

You can now RENEW or SUBSCRIBE to the magazine ONLINE at http://www.dar.org/americanspirit
Or contact the DAR Magazine Office by:
Phone toll-free at 1-866-327-6242  Fax 202-879-3283  Email magazinesubscriptions@dar.org
• Mail subscriptions to American Spirit, 1776 D Street NW, Washington DC 20006-5303.

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**DAR Coffee Table Book and Membership Video Highlight the Work of Today’s DAR**

The recently released DAR coffee table book, *American Treasure: The Enduring Spirit of the DAR*, and membership video, “Today’s DAR,” are both beautiful keepsakes as well as valuable resources for members to use to promote the Society. The book and video are available to purchase in The DAR Store and make the perfect gift for friends and family, as well as to donate to local libraries, schools or other community organizations.

*American Treasure* has received praise from readers for the beautiful, full-color photos that fill the pages and the author’s ability to weave together fascinating stories (some never before told) from the organization’s past and current efforts of Daughters today. The stunning 9” x 12” hardbound book with 304 pages and more than 400 photos is available to purchase at the special member price of $40 per book (plus shipping and handling).

“Today’s DAR” has created excitement within the organization as the first NSDAR video production designed to help attract new members by highlighting the contemporary work of local chapters. Members are encouraged to show the video at genealogy workshops, prospective member meetings, service clubs and county fairs, and to provide it to local television outlets to air via public access programming. The engaging 15-minute video is available to purchase in both DVD and VHS formats for $10 each.

Order your copies of *American Treasure: The Enduring Spirit of the DAR* and “Today’s DAR” online through The DAR Store at http://members.dar.org/darstore or by calling the store toll-free at (888) 673–2732.

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**Save the Date!**

**DAR Christmas Open House**

December 5, 2007

Daughters and their guests from near and far are invited to celebrate the holiday season at NSDAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C. The Sixth Annual DAR Christmas Open House will be held Wednesday, December 5, 2007, from 5:30–8 p.m.

Enjoy holiday refreshments while listening to carolers in Memorial Continental Hall, which will be elegantly decorated for Christmas. Take evening tours of the DAR Museum Gallery, the State Period Rooms, the DAR Library and the Americana Collection. Santa is even taking time out of his busy schedule to attend, so bring your whole family!

Join the NSDAR Executives and Headquarters staff in opening the doors of hospitality for the public to tour our beautiful building and get a taste of history during this holiday season.
National Board of Management Meeting

JUNE 25 AND JULY 1, 2007

A FULL VERSION OF THE MINUTES of the National Board of Management is available online at the DAR Members’ Web Site at http://members.dar.org in the Forms section, National Publications, National Board of Management Meeting Minutes. These minutes may be downloaded and printed as needed. Upon request, printed copies of the National Board of Management Minutes are also available from the Office of the Recording Secretary General at 1776 D Street NW, Washington, DC 20006–5303. Your request must include the date of the meeting requested, a return address and a check for $10 made payable to the Treasurer General NSDAR, which represents the cost to the NSDAR for printing, postage and handling.

National Board of Management Meeting,
June 25, 2007


The opening prayer was offered by the Chaplain General, Mary Lou Clutter James.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by the First Vice President General, Gale Jones Fixmer.

The Recording Secretary General, Linda Gist Calvin, called the roll and recorded the following members present: National Officers: Executive Officers: Mesdames Wagoner, Fixmer, James, Calvin, Ramp, Gonchar, Dalton, Wagers, Zuverink, Wetzel, and Clark; Vice Presidents General: Mesdames Cardinal, Rhooton, Vaglia, MacKenzie, Moreland, Carpenter and Lawson; and Mann, Mitchell, Paulsen, Lanz, Candas, West and Fowler; and Davis, Vaughan, Barbot, Hunter, Byrne, and Nichols.


The President General brought words of greeting to the members of the National Board of Management.

The President General introduced the National Parliamentarian, Joan Lucas Blankenship, PRP.

The Recording Secretary General reported on the approval of the minutes from the April 21, 2007, meeting of the National Board of Management. The minutes were approved by Linda Wetzel, Mary Ellen Byrne, and Cynthia Stout.

There being no objection, Eloise Clark, Pat Carpenter, and Iverna Huntsman were appointed to approve the minutes of this meeting.

The President General, Presley Merritt Wagoner, gave her report.

The First Vice President General, Gale Jones Fixmer, did not give an oral report. Her report was filed.

The Chaplain General, Mary Lou Clutter James, did not give an oral report. Her report was filed.

The President General introduced the National Parliamentarian, Joan Lucas Blankenship, PRP.

The Recording Secretary General gave her report.

The President General, Shirley Miller Wagers, gave her report.

Report of the Registrar General

Today this officer has some very good news to report. For the past year, we have been receiving hundreds more applications than usual each month, and in May we set an all-time record... over 1,000 applications were received. So, we want to thank everyone for bringing these new members into our Society. This administration has made every effort to make more resources available to our members to assist them in preparing applications and supplementals and the results are encouraging. However, we wish to stress that although new members are certainly important, it is equally important to keep the members we have, and we hope you will all go home with a renewed commitment to nurture your current members, so that they are not lost through resignations, or dropped for non-payment of their dues. This is the only way we will be able to stop the drain on our membership numbers.

This officer is also very pleased to report that we now have a five month turnaround on supplementals... also a first in DAR history! And now, it is with sincere appreciation and admiration for the hard work and dedication of the Registrar General’s staff that the following report is presented to the Board:

Statistical Report

Application papers received ............ 1,773
Application papers verified ............. 1,659
Junior Members approved ............. 311

All applications on established ancestors received in this office prior to May 4, 2007, have been reviewed.
Minutes

Applications pending
as of this date (unreviewed)............2,183
Application papers
returned unresolved..........................21
Supplemental papers received..............841
Supplemental papers verified...............717
All supplementals received in this office
prior to February 5, 2007, have been
reviewed.
Supplemental papers pending
as of this date ..................................1,664
Supplemental papers
returned unresolved..........................180
Total number of papers
(APPS and SUPPS) verified.............2,376
Number of letters written
requesting original data ......................599
Number of New Ancestors
(APPS and SUPPS) verified.............169
Last DAR National Number
issued...............................................853,579
Shirley Miller Wagers
Registrar General

The Registrar General moved “that the
1,659 applicants, whose records have been
verified by the Registrar General, be accepted
to membership in the National Society.”
Adopted.

The Organizing Secretary General moved
“the reinstatement of 138 members.”
Adopted.

The Organizing Secretary General, Susan
Adams Gonchar, gave her report.

The Organizing Secretary General moved
“the confirmation of one (1) organizing re-
gent; resignation of one (1) organizing regent;
temporary exception of time in a term of office
for five (5) six-year chapter regents; tem-
porary exception to serve a term of office for
one (1) chapter regent; location change for
one (1) chapter; merger of six (6) chapters;
official disbandment of two (2) chapters; au-
tomatic disbandment of one (1) chapter; con-
firmation of six (6) chapters.” Adopted.

The Treasurer General, Bea Worden
Dalton, gave her report.

The Chairman of the Audit Committee,
Cheryl Earnest, gave her report.

The Chairman of the Finance Commit-
tee, Sarah Voll, gave her report.

The Historian General, Cindy Segraves
Phillips, was not able to be present. Her re-
port was filed.

The Librarian General, Vicky Thresher
Zuverink, did not give an oral report. Her
report was filed.

The Curator General, Linda Barron
Wetzel, did not give an oral report. Her re-
port was filed.

The Reporter General, Eloise Rossiter
Clark, did not give an oral report. Her re-
port was filed.

The Recording Secretary General, Linda Gist
Calvin, gave the Executive Committee report.

Report of the Executive Committee

There were several items that came be-
fore the Executive Committee during the
April meeting and also during this past week
that may be of particular interest to you.

Thanks to the generosity of Daughters
across the country, over $10,000 worth of
men and women’s Land’s End leather sport
shoes were purchased to send to the Land-
stuhl Regional Medical Center in Land-
stuhl, Germany, along with 13,700
60-minute AT&T phone cards. A check
for $15,000 was also sent to the hospital for
the Wounded Warrior Project.

We are pleased to share with you that a
comprehensive business continuation
plan is now in place which outlines the
immediate responses needed to be taken
by the National Society in order to carry
on the work of the Society in case of a dis-
aster, whether it be natural or otherwise.

The Office of the Historian General has
recommended a NSDAR Archives Deac-
cession Policy to provide guidance to both
NSDAR Executives and archivists regard-
ing the retention of specific items on de-
posit in the NSDAR Archives and that
plan has been adopted.

A Strategic Plan, developed from
Committee has been received and actions
deferred to the next administration for
consideration.

The Recording Secretary General pre-
sented the recommendations from the Ex-
icutive Committee.

“To accept the original artwork submit-
ted by J.E. Caldwell & Co. for an Iowa Ju-
nior Club pin, providing the pin conforms
to the standards set forth in Ruling #45,
April 1989. This pin is to be placed on the
official ribbon below the World War I pin.” Adopted.

“To accept the original artwork submit-
ted by J.E. Caldwell & Co. for a Spanish
American War Commemorative pin, providing the pin
conforms to the standards set forth in Ruling #45,
April 1989. This pin is to be placed on the official ribbon below the 225th Washington-Rochambeau
Commemorative pin.” Adopted.

“The authorization of the interstate sale
of the publication Roster of Revolutionary War
Gravesites of Soldiers, Patriots, and Ancestors
Buried in North Carolina per the agreement
signed on March 24, 2007, by the North
Carolina State Regent. The signed Autho-
ization Agreement for Interstate Sale is at-
tached (Attachment on file in the Office of
the Recording Secretary). Rationale: To
make this tool available to researchers be-
Yard the state of North Carolina through
sales to historical societies, libraries and in-
dividuals.” Adopted.

The Chairman of the Building and
Grounds Committee, Melissa Fischer, gave her
report.

The Chairman of the DAR Magazine
Committee, Denise VanBuren, gave her report.

The Chairman of the DAR School Com-
mittee, Mindy Kamneyer, gave her report.

The Chairman of the Development
Committee, Jane Evans, gave her report.

The Chaplain General gave the closing
prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.
Linda Gist Calvin
Recording Secretary General
Minutes Approved, June 25, 2007  
Eloise Clark  
Pat Carpenter  
Iverna Huntsman

National Board of Management Meeting,  
July 1, 2007

A regular meeting of the National Board of Management, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution convened in the National Officers Club Room, Constitution Hall, Washington, D.C., at 2:15 p.m. on July 1, 2007, Linda Gist Calvin, President General, presiding.

The opening prayer was offered by the Chaplain General, Dell Dickins Scoper.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by the First Vice President General, Merry Ann Thompson Wright.

The Recording Secretary General, Joyce Harrell Cardinal, called the roll and recorded the following members present: National Officers; Executive Officers: Mesdames Calvin, Wright, Scoper, Cardinal, Patton, Farmer, Hurd, Santistevan, MacKenzie, Bartow, Juehring and Lockhart; Vice Presidents General: Mesdames Mann, Mitchler, Paulsen, Lanz, Candas, West and Fowler; and Davis, Vaughan, Barbot, Hunter, Byrne, and Nichols; and Willis, Mayer, Bottini, Gilkeson, Alexander, McKee, and Seifert.


The President General brought words of greeting to the members of the National Board of Management.

The President General introduced the National Parliamentarian, Carole Drake Belcher, PRP.

The Recording Secretary General reported on the approval of the minutes from the June 25, 2007, meeting of the National Board of Management. The minutes were approved by Eloise Clark, Pat Carpenter, and Iverna Huntsman.

There being no objection, Rebecca Lockhart, Jean Mann, and LeAnn Reichenberg were appointed to approve the minutes of this meeting.

The Registrar General, Donna Kargo Santistevan, gave her report.

Report of the Registrar General

I have the honor to present the board the following report:

Statistical Report

Application papers received .................. 78
Application papers verified .................... 185
Supplemental papers received ............... 57
Supplemental papers verified .................. 63
Last DAR National Number issued ........ 853764

Donna Kargo Santistevan  
Registrar General

The Registrar General moved “that the 185 applicants, whose records have been verified by the Registrar General, be accepted to membership in the National Society.” Adopted.

The Organizing Secretary General, Carole Temple Farmer, gave her report.

The Organizing Secretary General moved “the confirmation of one (1) chapter name change; confirmation of one (1) chapter.” Adopted.

The Recording Secretary General presented the recommendations from the Executive Committee.

“To authorize the Executive Committee to act between meetings of the National Board of Management.” Adopted.

“To rescind NB#16, October 6, 2001, which established a new administrative committee named the Technology Advisory Committee. Rationale: The original Technology Advisory Council was established in 1996 before an Information Systems Department existed but changed to a vice-chairmanship under the VIS committee in 1999. This was abolished in 2001 to create the final version of the Technology Advisory Committee. This committee has guided the past two President General’s Projects. With the completion of these projects, the purpose and need for this committee no longer exists.” Adopted.

“To amend ruling #44NB, April 20, 2001, which combined the Public Relations and Motion Picture, Radio and Television national committees by renaming the committee the Public Relations and Media Committee.” Adopted.

“To amend NB #412, June 1911, authorizing the appointment of the Building and Grounds Standing Committee by changing the name of the committee to Property Beautification and Hospitality Committee. Rationale: To better reflect the purpose and duties of this committee.” Adopted.

“To recommend the approval of and recommendation to the 117th Continental Congress for ratification, “Open Doors of Hospitality” as the name of the President General’s Project of the Calvin Administration, 2007–2010, and that it encompass both the promotion of membership and the restoration and improvements to the NSDAR complex of historic buildings as identified and recommended in a comprehensive building assessment completed in 2005. Rationale: The 112th Congress amended NSDAR Bylaws, Article IX, Section 3 (b) as follows, “Section 3. The National Board of Management shall; (b) at a regular meeting, be permitted to approve the naming of the President General’s Project and the receiving and raising of funds, said action to be ratified by the next Continental Congress.” Adopted.

“To combine the Chapter Development and the Chapter Revitalization special committees into one special committee to be known as the Chapter Development and Revitalization Committee. Rationale: To provide...
consistent direction under the aegis of the Office of the Organizing Secretary General and avoid duplication of responsibility. These committees were established in April 2001 by NB #53 & NB #54.” Adopted.

“To change the name of the Literacy Challenge Special Committee to Literacy Promotion Committee. Rationale: This title clarifies the purpose of this committee, to promote literacy. This amends NB #11, June 2, 1989.” Adopted.

“To amend NB#9, February 2, 2002, by renaming the Volunteer Information Specialists, National Vice Chairman Patriot Index Internet Provider Site Service to VIS Prospective Member—Public.” Adopted.

“To establish an additional vice chairmanship under the Volunteer Information Specialists Committee to be named VIS Prospective Member Services—System. Rationale: Recommended by the VIS Committee to provide assistance to the public via the DAR public Web site.” Adopted.

“To recommend the establishment of a Real Daughters Commemoration Vice Chairmanship under the Commemorative Events Committee and to allow ‘Read Only’ access to e-Membership and the Ancestor Database, including images. Rationale: To establish a vice-chairmanship to review, collect and organize material pertaining to these very special members of DAR and encourage states to locate the gravesites and commemorate these Real Daughters.” Adopted.

The Chaplain General gave the closing prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Joyce Harrell Cardinal
Recording Secretary General

Minutes Approved, July 1, 2007
Rebecca Lockhart
Jean Mann
LeAnn Reichenberg

Minutes

American Indians
This committee, established as a sub-committee in 1936, became a national committee in 1941. Through these many years we have accomplished many things to be proud of. Currently the committee supports Bacone College, an accredited four-year liberal arts college in Muskogee, Okla.; Chemawa Indian School, a fully accredited four-year boarding school for high school students in Salem, Ore.; and the Indian Youth of America Summer Camp program. Donations from chapters and individual DAR members are vital to the success of these programs and that of the American Indian Scholarship program.

Twenty $500 scholarships were awarded for the fall semester of 2007. Thank you to all that have supported the Friends of the American Indians Scholarship Fund. I challenge all Daughters to continue this wonderful support.

Remember that both Bacone College and Chemawa Indian School collect Campbell’s Soup labels. The addresses to these schools can be found in the DAR Handbook and on the Members’ Web Site. Both schools have a newsletter which you can receive by contacting them and asking to be placed on their mailing list.

Americanism
Chapters are encouraged to continue recognizing truly outstanding Americans with Medals of Honor presented to native-born citizens and Americanism Medals presented to naturalized citizens. When compiling a nominee’s recommendation, please refer to the “Instructions and Guidelines for Completing Recommendations” which can be found in both the National Information Packet and on this committee’s page on the Members’ Web Site. An important change needs to be noted concerning the awarding of honors for this committee. If a potential award recipient is identified in another state, please notify the State Regent in that state rather than initiating the award yourself.

Although the “DAR Manual for Citizenship” is no longer available in print, please continue to refer potential citizens to its online location on the DAR Public Web Site.

Daughters, continue the good work that you have been doing on behalf of this committee in your communities. Your National, National Division Vice and State Chairmen are looking forward to working with you during this administration as “The Spirit of Hospitality Opens Doors of Opportunity.”

Laura M. Kesler
National Chairman

Committee Corner

Be creative in raising funds for these worthwhile projects. I look forward to reading about all that your chapters and states have accomplished.

Susan W. Lennon
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We hope to learn additional information about all of these ladies and their lives. Records from the Historian General’s Office indicate that a number of the graves have been marked by the DAR, but help may be needed to locate some of the remaining graves. If your chapter had Real Daughters as members and you have information about where these ladies are buried and whether their graves have been marked, please contact Shirley Wagers at swagersdar@comcast.net or mail information to her at 2702 88th St. Ct. NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98332. The State Regents may be contacted for assistance in this matter as well. This committee hopes that once the grave locations are identified the states or chapters will honor these special women by marking their graves.

Nelly G. Shearer
National Chairman

DAR Genealogy Preservation
Preserving and making accessible our DAR records is the goal of the DAR Genealogy Preservation Committee. The committee’s current project is the data entry of the information found on the lineage page of every DAR application. Once completed, this searchable database will contain every name on the lineage page of every DAR application. As lineages are entered by DAR member volunteers they are automatically uploaded and available for the general membership to search. You can see the fruition of this project on the Members’ Web site under the Research heading.

Volunteering is easy. Just visit the committee Web site at http://members.dar.org/committees/preservation/index.htm to find out more and become involved. Support is available seven days a week.

While most work has been done from the comfort of a volunteer’s home, several volunteers recently shared the unique places from which they worked on the project, including Yokohama, Japan; Moscow, Russia; lakeside at Montana’s Flathead Lake and on the shore of Lake Superior; and a cabin in Yosemite National Park.

If you have a computer and Internet access, we want you on our team. Please contact us either through the committee Web site or at darprojects@dar.org.

Danna C. Koelling
National Chairman

DAR Project Patriot
The DAR Project Patriot Committee, which supports America’s service personnel in current conflicts abroad, continues in the Calvin Administration to support the wounded active military personnel at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center (LRMC) in Germany. The latest “wish list” from Landstuhl includes the following items: hand-held games; action movies on DVD; care packages including candy, playing cards and magazines; gift cards for downloading music from iTunes; men’s sweatsuits (medium); men’s boxer briefs (medium and large); men’s travel size deodorant.

The wounded military members at LRMC greatly appreciate notes of thanks and support all year long. All items listed above, as well as signed Christmas cards, should be mailed directly to the following address: Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, MCEUL/CH—Chaplain’s Office, CMR 402, APO AE 09180.

Please send new items only. You will need to fill out a customs form at the post office. Thank you, Daughters, for your outstanding enthusiasm and support for Project Patriot!

June L. Miller
National Chairman

Friends of the Library
Two special projects of the Friends of the Library during the Calvin Administration are to raise money for an extension for the Library’s reference desk and the replacement of the computer tables at the front of the Library. The estimated costs are $7,000 for the reference desk extension and $3,000 for the replacement tables.

The Friends of the Library Committee continues to be a much-needed fundraising tool for helping the DAR Library with special projects that are not funded by the annual budget. Your help is very much appreciated.

Vicky T. Zuverink
National Chairman

Genealogical Records
As of this writing, Daughters have indexed 7,855 Genealogical Records Committee books in the DAR Library. By the time you read this the number will be even greater. This chairman wishes to heartfelt thank all the Daughters who are working diligently on the Master Indexing Project and to welcome those who have recently joined the ranks of indexers. There is always room for more, and remember—the more information we can make available to researchers with new GRC volumes and indexes, the greater will be the number of new members whose applications will be approved.

There is exciting news on the indexing front for those working so hard on this project. As of the close of Congress on July 1, 2007, Daughters who are indexing books earn credit both for themselves and for their chapters. When you finish indexing a book and return it, the Genealogical Records Committee Office makes note of the number of index entries and notifies you via e-mail. They keep track of these numbers and you should do so also. Go to the Genealogical Records Committee page from the Members’ Web Site to download the 10-page PDF file of indexing instructions. This will give you the “formula” used to translate the number of index entries to the number of pages that may be claimed for Bookworm and Genealogical Records Committee credit.

So, Daughters, please keep searching out and compiling those unpublished records and keep up the good work indexing records so that they will be more easily accessible to those assisting prospective members.

Sharon F. DePuy
National Chairman

Junior American Citizens
Critical changes have been made in the wording of the JAC material. Following
Committee Corner

Lineage Research

The purpose of the Lineage Research Committee is to help chapters assist prospective members with their applications. When a Chapter or State Chairman needs out-of-state sources to complete an application, they often access the Lineage Research Volunteer Lookup (LRVL) Board to locate a DAR member volunteer who will search in a specific locale or a specific source. This is a fantastic tool that, when it works properly, provides great aid to chapters.

But, when the system does not work properly, it can be a source of frustration to chapters. An alarming number of volunteer e-mail addresses are no longer in use. Your Lineage Research National Division Vice Chairmen are working to solve this problem. They have been in contact with every State Chairman asking each to test volunteer e-mail addresses for their state. Regrettably, many invalid e-mail addresses have been discovered, adding up to hundreds of sources and many volunteers impossible to access, rendering too much of the LRVL Board useless.

We must correct this, and with your help, we can. If you are a Lineage Research lookup volunteer and have changed your e-mail address since you signed up, please send both your new and your old addresses to your Lineage Research State Chairman, who will then contact her National Division Vice Chairman.

New volunteers are welcome. This National Chairman is pleased to be regularly adding new volunteers and new sources to the board. Please click on LRVL Board on the opening page of the Members’ Web Site, scroll down to Lookup Volunteers and follow the directions. Please note that e-mail attachments or listing sources in an e-mail will not be accepted. However, you certainly may print a computer-generated list of your sources, attach it to the form and follow the mailing directions. We look forward to hearing from all volunteers. Your work is greatly appreciated.

Joan A. Hunter
National Chairman

Program

This committee is continuing its efforts to increase the number of programs in the DAR program collection. The collection currently includes more than 400 manuscripts, a list of which is available on the Program Committee Web Site. For the convenience of Program Chapter Chairmen, manuscripts may be downloaded and printed for chapter use.

A list of programs in other formats has been added to the Web site. Most of these are videotape and slide programs; there are very few CDs and DVDs at this time. Those that are available are listed as 2006 Contest Winners. These programs may be ordered through the Committee Services Office for a shipping and handling fee of $5.

Many of the video and slide programs are more than 15 years old, and many exceed the suggested length of 20 minutes. One goal of this committee is to review these programs and archive those that are outmoded. During the Calvin Administration, individuals and chapters are encouraged to submit new programs, especially those in more modern formats such as videotapes, CDs, DVDs, and PowerPoint presentations.

Carolyn C. Duckworth
National Chairman

Protocol

A protocol point: Chapter members do not need to stand for the reading of the monthly message from the President General taken from the Daughters newsletter or the Members’ Web Site, but should stand if special greetings are read at a meeting or state conference.

Gale J. Fixmer
National Chairman

Public Relations and Media

“Today’s DAR” is an exciting 15-minute video that highlights DAR service projects and membership throughout the nation. The video makes an excellent chapter program, but it is specifically designed to educate the public about the
guidelines that protect children’s privacy, the Contest Entry Form has been changed and will be accompanied by an important Teacher Cover Letter for all teachers/leaders, which will explain the new coding system for judging purposes. The JAC contest will still offer each child who participates the opportunity to learn and win. These changes will also be reflected in the revised DAR Handbook, the JAC Fact Sheet, the material on the Members’ Web Site and in the NIP posted online. Please download all the new material and order the free revised JAC material from The DAR Store. As you receive the new revised material please destroy all of the outdated material that is being replaced.

The contest theme this year, “America’s Everyday Heroes,” is already receiving a great response. Children focusing on the positive things about our country will be inspired by everyday people from the past and present who courageously stepped up in a time of need to serve their country and become American heroes.

Chapter Chairmen, be sure to send your first-place winners’ entries to the JAC State Chairmen by January 29, 2008. State Chairmen must send their winning entries to the appropriate National Division Vice Chairmen by February 19, 2008.

JAC Chapter Chairmen, now is the time to seek out other groups besides schools to participate in JAC clubs and activities. Enrichment and special needs groups are very appreciative, and working with them is especially rewarding. Girl and Boy Scouts can certainly count JAC activities toward their badges and awards, and C.A.R. groups are great possibilities because they are already focused on patriotism. Home school associations are always eager for worthwhile creative programs for their children and JAC can fill that need.

The sky is the limit as you “Open Doors of Opportunity” for all the children of America.

Janel N. Shannon
National Chairman

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work of the Society and to highlight the many benefits of joining DAR to prospective members. Suggested venues include genealogy workshops, prospective member meetings, local television outlets via public access programming, service clubs and county fairs. For a price of just $10 each your chapter can afford to order several copies. The video is available in DVD and VHS formats and can be ordered from The DAR Store at www.dar.org/darstore or by calling toll free at (888) 673–2732. A short clip of the “Today’s DAR” video can be viewed on the Members’ Web Site at http://members.dar.org.

Local Media Awards: Chapters and state organizations are encouraged to recognize a program or member of the film, radio or television industry for outstanding work that promotes education, historic preservation or patriotism. There is no approval process required for local awards. Simply order an award certificate from The DAR Store. This is an easy way to increase the visibility of your chapter to media outlets and, at the same time, recognize outstanding programming.

National Media Award: If the individual or program is nationally recognized, consider recommending the nominee for the National Society’s Media Award to be presented at Continental Congress. Programs nominated for this award should be released or air new episodes in the current DAR year. Individuals are to be recognized for their media work and not for work or activism outside the industry. Nominees need not be from the chapter’s local area. Nomination letters are due to the National Vice Chairman of Media Awards by March 1, 2008.

Karon Jarrard
National Chairman

Resolutions

The objectives of the National Society are to perpetuate the memory and the spirit of the men and women who achieved American independence, to promote the development of an enlightened public opinion and to foster patriotic citizenship. Resolutions provide a means of accomplishing these historical, educational and patriotic goals. When adopted at Continental Congress, resolutions become the policy of the National Society. Therefore, they should be non-partisan and nonpolitical.

Chapters are encouraged to submit resolutions of a national scope to their state societies for consideration and adoption. Once adopted, two hard copies of each resolution, along with documentation for each and an electronic copy, should be sent to the National Chairman by May 9, 2008. Please refer to the DAR Handbook and page 34 of the National Information Packet (NIP) for additional instructions.

Anna H. Schoenenberger
National Chairman

Women’s Issues

No other committee is as driven by individual members and their chapters’ needs and interests as the Women’s Issues Committee. However, many members report that they aren’t sure what to make of this committee. This committee’s objective is to educate and inform fellow members and the community about issues important to them. Any issue relevant to women is important to this committee and can be reported.

This year’s focus is on preventative medicine. Through programs and handouts, chapters can educate their communities about the signs and symptoms of illnesses such as skin cancer and breast cancer. At chapter meetings, remind members of the importance of self examinations. Don’t limit yourselves to women’s health issues. Women are often the ones to encourage family members to seek medical attention.

While health-related topics are tremendously important, you need not be restricted to this subject. This committee provides a forum for reporting the many things DAR members do in their hometowns, both in and away from DAR. Did members participate in a charity event for a nonprofit organization? Did a member attend a financial planning seminar for women? If asked, most members will report having done these things and more.

Chapters are always planning programs of interest to today’s women. Keep in mind that what is important to members will be relevant to others in the community. Be sure to invite the public to attend programs or events when appropriate. Extending these invitations fosters good public relations and may even attract prospective members. This extension of hospitality by our chapters will open doors of opportunity for us all.

A very simple way to get chapters involved in this committee is to encourage participation in the Women’s Issues Committee’s essay contest, which invites members to share their personal experiences in the categories of health, family and career. Please see the NIP for more detailed information.

Melinda M. McTaggart
National Chairman

Units Overseas

The Units Overseas Committee has been busy gathering information for new chapters around the world. Efforts are currently focused on beginning chapters in Switzerland, New Zealand and Guam, and new chapters in Canada and Mexico are in the process of organizing now. How exciting it is to help discover and organize prospective members! The committee always needs help locating prospective members anywhere in the world. If you know of family members or friends living abroad please let this chairman know.

Daughters, consider helping the existing chapters by becoming associate members. Go to the Units Overseas Web Site and click on Membership for more information. It would be wonderful to see all members wear a beautiful Units Overseas pin on their official ribbons.

Melinda T. Kammeyer
National Chairman
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The Spirit of Giving

IT IS OUR nature as women to give. As Daughters, mothers, sisters, neighbors and even as friends, women are inherently charitable, particularly during this time of year. The holiday season is often associated with giving—a time when we selflessly share with others the bounties bestowed upon us and our families.

The generous spirit and infinite kindness of Daughters like you enable NSDAR to fulfill one of its three core missions—to support education. No matter the season, Daughters throughout the country continue to financially support our six flourishing schools and work diligently to ensure that American Indian children receive a proper education. In addition, Daughters are funding national scholarships that enable students to attend colleges and universities that they otherwise could not afford.

This year college enrollment has reached a record high. An estimated 17.6 million students are investing in a college education. As some of us well know, the average national cost for one year of college, in-state, is currently estimated at more than $13,000. As student interest and the cost of higher education continue to soar, federal funding is simultaneously declining dramatically.

However, with your help, the NSDAR will continue to help students fulfill the dream of furthering their education. Currently, more than $150,000 is awarded annually to qualified students through NSDAR national scholarships. No matter your career path or field of study, it is likely that there is an NSDAR scholarship already established that benefits students following in your footsteps.

You may also create a new scholarship specifically designed to benefit the academic area of your choice. A Gift Planning Associate in the Development Office would be happy to work with you throughout the planning process. A scholarship fund can be financed with cash, appreciated securities or even through a bequest in your will.

This holiday season, join hands with the millions of American women who work to enhance education through the funding of scholarships. Whether you consider it a way to give thanks, a holiday present or a resolution for the New Year, donating to or creating a scholarship fund truly is a gift that rewards the donor just as much as the student.

If you would like further information about this kind of major gift or other giving possibilities, please contact a Gift Planning Associate toll-free at (800) 449–1776 or giftplanning@dar.org.

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Conservation Medal Winner

Conservation Medal Winner John H. Noel III

THROUGH HIS extraordinary contributions to the preservation of our environment, his consistent leadership and dedication to environmental conservation initiatives, and his significant financial contributions to preservation efforts, John H. Noel III, winner of the 2007 DAR Conservation Medal, has led a life that is a study in how to make a difference in the world. Mr. Noel’s international conservation work has taken him across the world, including to the north and south poles. He has counseled U.S. presidential hopefuls about environmental issues, advised elected officials on good stewardship of our natural resources, and is considered to be a highly regarded speaker on global climate change. Mr. Noel is the current president of the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, a five-state regional organization, and he also serves on the boards of a number of local, state and national organizations to which he provides leadership and financial support.

In 1986 and 1991, his efforts helped pass the most important land conservation funding legislation in Tennessee’s history. State funding from that legislation has protected hundreds of thousands of acres of park and wildlife lands in Tennessee. When legal action was needed to stop the polluting of the Pigeon River in upper Tennessee and North Carolina, Mr. Noel led the fight that won the lawsuit against the major polluting corporation. And when the town of Spencer, Tenn., announced plans for a new sewage treatment plant that would threaten a significant cave and underground stream system, he guided the effort to find a compromise that protects the environment.

These initiatives alone make Mr. Noel a very distinguished recipient of the DAR Conservation Medal. But a recent and very specific individual effort by Mr. Noel can actually be witnessed first-hand the next time you visit Tennessee.

Not far from the town of Dickson in Hickman County, Tenn., stands a 35-acre tract of land with a group of trees that include many white oak, hickory and umbrella magnolias that are older than our country. One tree in particular was likely already growing when the Pilgrims arrived in the world of Native Americans and bison. Foresters estimate that the trees are between 200 and 400 years old, and some of these trees are more than 120 feet tall.

In 2005, investors bought this land at auction and were in the process of selling the trees to timber companies. Experts say that the white oaks are particularly valuable for veneer because few of this size and quality remain, especially in such a substantial grouping.

A few days after the sale, the man who had inherited the property and who had been trying to save the trees before the auction brought the situation to the attention of Mr. Noel, who visited the land, got in touch with the buyers from the auction, and made them an offer that included the amount the new owners would make by cutting the trees. Mr. Noel said “We made a handshake deal in the middle of that forest, and they kept it.” He also said at the time that it was his hope that the state of Tennessee would be able to acquire the property to establish a publicly owned natural area. But it was Mr. Noel who bought the property for some $270,000.

The state of Tennessee announced just this May that the Bon Aqua Woods State Natural Area will be preserved and open to the public. The state paid a portion of the cost and Mr. Noel made a gift of the difference. Generations had preserved this forest, and now, thanks to John Noel, our generation will do the same.

It is through the individual leadership and generosity of men like Mr. Noel that future generations will enjoy some portion of the immense resources we inherited from our forefathers.

Mr. Noel is a past president of the Nashville Board of Realtors and a recipient of the Realtor of the Year Award. He was a founding member of the Tennessee Housing Development Agency and chairman of the Downtown Franklin Association that is revitalizing Franklin, Tenn. He is married to Melinda Welton, a fellow conservationist. Mr. Noel was nominated for the DAR Conservation Medal by the Tennessee Chapter, Columbia, Tenn.
New Hampshire Remembers American Casualties of War

New Hampshire Daughters hosted the 60th annual gathering at the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, N.H., on August 11, 2007. The Cathedral of the Pines was established as a national memorial for all American war dead by Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Sloane in memory of their son, Lieutenant Sanderson Sloane, whose bomber was shot down over Germany in World War II. New Hampshire State Chaplain Barbara Corson conducted the service. The featured speaker was Chaplain General Dell Dickins Scoper, whose message was “From Tragedy to Triumph.”

To begin the two-day event, New Hampshire State Regent Sarah Voll hosted a dinner on August 10, 2007, for Daughters and guests from local chapters as well as visitors from around the country. The next morning, the group traveled to the outdoor memorial shrine in the Monadnock Mountain region, where guests visited the Memorial Chapel and viewed the bell tower and memorial stone. The festivities closed with a luncheon at VFW Post 561 in Jaffrey, N.H. Following the event, Molly Stark Chapter Regent Phyllis Gagnon conducted a tour of Stark House in Manchester for Mrs. Scoper and Mrs. Voll.

New Mexico Daughters Mark 87th State Conference

The New Mexico State Organization held its 87th state conference April 19–21, 2007, at the Sagebrush Inn in Taos, N.M. The theme of the conference was “Women in New Mexico History: 300 Years.”

State Chaplain Carolyn Brown conducted a memorial service for New Mexico Daughters at a church in Taos. Past Vice President General Susanne O’Malley gave a eulogy for Honorary Vice President General Alma Fricke. A flower was placed in a wreath as each departed Daughter’s name was read. The wreath was then taken to the Sierra Vista Cemetery and placed during a graveside dedication ceremony for Genevieve Ryan, a Vietnam War veteran.

Reverend Dr. Robert J. Duncan Jr. of Bacone College, guest speaker at the awards luncheon, was enthusiastically received. Charles Acuna, who makes arrowheads just as the Native Americans did a century ago, received the American Heritage Preservation Medal. Other award recipients included: Foster Armstrong, Good Citizen Award; Diane Tasker, Outstanding Teacher of American History; and Alicia Garcia, Southwest Division Outstanding Youth Volunteer for Veterans.

Pat Keenan presented awards to the essay winners. Dick Conrey gave a program about World War II and displayed WWII artifacts.

A silent auction, cookbook sales and donations collected a record amount for the State Regent’s Project of placing a New Mexico history book in every ninth-grade school library.

State Conference Draws

North Carolina Daughters to Pinehurst

North Carolina Daughters traveled to Pinehurst, N.C., February 23–25, 2007, for their annual state conference at the Carolina Hotel. State Regent Diana Seals Wood presided. Guests Sharon Hopkins, Michigan State Regent, and Rita Kline, New Jersey State Regent, were given a tour of the town while members attended workshops early Friday. The Air Force ROTC unit from Southern Nash Senior High School in Bailey, N.C., participated in the opening ceremony.

More than 450 members and guests attended the awards luncheon on Saturday. American History State Chairman Renee Horne presented five awards to students. DAR Good Citizens State Chairman Martha Strange presented the Gertrude Carraway Scholarship. Ruth Andersen, Scholarship State Chairman, awarded almost $11,000 in scholarships to 10 graduating seniors. Community Service State Chairman Frances Carlton presented the Community Service Award to Mary Lou Mitchell, who was sponsored by Samuel Johnston Chapter. State Historian Miriam Smith presented the American History Teacher Award to James Beckford of St. Mary’s School in Raleigh, who was sponsored by Caswell-Nash Chapter. A Lord Robert sterling silver teapot circa 1900 named “The Rolfe Towe Teague Teapot” was presented to the Battle of...
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Alamance Chapter for “Greatest Participation in the DAR Museum.” On Saturday night, former Miss North Carolina Patsy Gilliland, accompanied by Sally Mosely, presented a medley of songs by famous composers.

West Virginia Honors Outgoing President General During Congress

After the election of Presley M. Wagoner as President General in 2004, the West Virginia Daughters set forth on a mission to honor their fellow West Virginia member and raise funds for her official portrait. Through the leadership of West Virginia State Regent Shirley M. Gilkeson (2004–2007) and Portrait Chairmen Pat Dougherty and Sally Ford, and the dedication of the Daughters throughout West Virginia, the mission was successfully accomplished. During the 116th Continental Congress in Washington, D.C., Mrs. Wagoner’s official portrait was unveiled and dedicated in the Administration Building portion of the DAR complex of buildings, where it is now permanently displayed.

American History State Chairman Renee Horne with American History Essay Contest fifth-grade state winner Grayson Hollowell and State Regent Diana Wood. Grayson is also the 2007 national fifth-grade winner.

Left to right: Pat Daugherty, Sally Ford, Presley Wagoner and Shirley Gilkeson

2007–2008 DAR Magazine Chapter Achievement Award and American Spirit Subscription Contest Deadline

The magazine Chapter Achievement Award and American Spirit contest calculations will include all renewals and subscriptions valid on or after January 31, 2008. Payments must be received by the DAR Magazine Office on or before January 31, 2008, in order to meet this condition.

The tabulation parameters for the 2007–2008 Chapter Achievement Award DAR Magazine/Newsletter subscription percentage and the “Spread the American Spirit” subscription contest are tallied based on the percentage of subscriptions relative to the chapter’s official membership count as of January 1, 2007. For more details on the subscription contest, please see page 431.

American Spirit Magazine and Daughters Newsletter Subscription Information

PLANNING AHEAD CAN prevent a lapse in your subscription. To maintain the continuity of your subscription, renewal payment must arrive in the DAR Magazine Office 60–90 days before the expiration date. It is important that we receive renewal payments within this window because we must submit the mailing list to our printer several weeks before the magazine and newsletter are scheduled to be mailed. If a renewal payment for a subscription that has already expired arrives in the DAR Magazine Office after the mail list has been finalized, the subscription will lapse. The subscription would still be renewed, but the subscriber would not receive continuous service because the payment was not received far enough in advance.

Please keep in mind that the American Spirit magazine and Daughters newsletter are mailed from our printer in Minnesota and do not come directly from DAR Headquarters. While we do follow a set production schedule, DAR has no control over the timely delivery of these publications, since that is the responsibility of the U.S. Postal Service. It is not always the case that all subscribers within a common ZIP Code will receive their magazines on the same day. We appreciate your patience and understanding.
Chapter Anniversaries

Members of Antelope Valley Chapter, Lancaster, Calif., enjoyed a tea celebrating the chapter’s 50th anniversary on February 4, 2006, at the Wanda Kirk Branch, Kern County Library, Rosamond, Calif. The event had a 1950s theme, and members displayed mementos from that era. Many members came dressed in ’50s attire—some outfits featured authentic vintage pieces! A fashion show was held and prizes were awarded in a variety of categories.

Special guests at the tea were Anne Lampman, then State Vice Regent, Delores Pederson, then District VIII Director, and local city leaders, all of whom brought greetings and congratulations to chapter members. A decade-by-decade history of the chapter was shared and brought with it a new appreciation of those who have served before us.

On June 9, 2007, the John Hart Chapter, Elkins, W.V., celebrated the 100th anniversary of its founding with a luncheon attended by 29 chapter members and 41 guests. A community service award was presented to the Honorable Robert E. Maxwell, Senior Judge, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia, for his outstanding volunteer work. West Virginia State Regent Shirley M. Gilkeson (2004–2007) installed the newly elected chapter officers. A program of fiddle music presented by folklorist Gerald Milnes featured tunes that originated in 18th-century eastern and western Virginia.

The chapter published a commemorative booklet featuring photos of members (including several of the 16 founders), information about patriot John Hart, a list of Revolutionary War soldiers buried in Randolph County, a timeline of chapter activities of the past 100 years, and a list of all who have been members of the chapter since 1907, including their patriot ancestors.

Chapter News and Events

Seven—a number burned into the memories of all Hauser-Hooser-Houser Hoosier Family Association (H4FA) members. In Winston-Salem, N.C., on July 7, 2007, seven DAR markers were dedicated (one rededicated) for Hauser brothers Johann Georg Sr., Michael Sr., Martin Jr., Georg Peter Sr. and their sons Private Johannes and Lieutenant George Jr., at Bethania Moravian Church, and for brother Jacob Sr. at Old Hope Moravian Church Cemetery.

H4FA member Carolyn Currier of Andrew Carruthers Chapter, Austin, Texas, secured the permission to allow the H4FA to plan and sponsor the dedication. Randy and Gabriele Hooser, Roland Hauser, Carolyn Currier, Norma Richey and Dr. Robert Sprinkle Jr., N.C.S.A.R. Registrar, coordinated the two programs. DAR national officers, current and past Texas and North Carolina State Regents, North Carolina state officers and three local Winston-Salem chapters were featured as speakers during the stirring and patriotic programs. Hauser family members represented Adam Dale Chapter, Memphis, Tenn., and Matilda Polk Chapter, Boliver, Mo. President Ray Israel represented Bethabara Chapter N.C.S.A.R. VFW Post 9010 Memorial Honor Guard retired the colors and fired a 21-gun salute. Boy Scouts assisted the nearly 200 attendees.

Jerry Hooser presented Texas State Regent Lynn Young and the Americana Collection with a 1776 London newspaper that first mentioned the Declaration of Independence.

Arlington House Chapter, Arlington, Va., organized a June bus trip to southeastern Virginia to commemorate the 400th
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Members of Arlington House Chapter in front of the Susan Constant

anniversary of the founding of Jamestown. Seventeen members and 13 guests enjoyed the overnight trip. The well-planned tour allowed the group to visit many of the famous landmarks the area has to offer. The tour began with a visit to the Yorktown Victory Center, followed by a trip to the Yorktown Customs House, which is owned by the Comte de Grasse Chapter, Yorktown, Va. Comte de Grasse Chapter Regent Barbara Boles and First Vice Regent Mary Ann Philyaw guided Arlington House Chapter members on a very interesting tour of the Customs House, the oldest existing customs house in the United States. At Jamestown, chapter members toured the Indian Village, a replica of the fort; the Susan Constant, one of the ships that brought Englishmen to the New World; and the new museum. Visiting Jamestown in this, the 400th anniversary year, was a wonderful experience that will not soon be forgotten.

In a perfect pairing, Roselyn Baker, Conservation Committee Chairman for Barefoot Beach Chapter, Bonita Springs, Fla., was asked to ride with grand marshal Eve Haverfield in the 48th annual Fourth of July Parade in Bonita Springs. Many people came to cheer on the participating community groups. One such group is Turtle Time, Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to the recovery and conservation of sea turtles. In 1989, Haverfield founded the group of volunteers for the purpose of monitoring sea turtles and gathering data to aid in their survival, thereby reversing the trend toward extinction. Mrs. Baker takes her duties as Conservation Chairman very seriously. Not only is she involved in Turtle Time, she also monitors eagles and their nesting eaglets. Barefoot Beach Chapter members are so proud of their fellow Daughter and look forward to her reports at chapter meetings.

On August 15, 2007, the Memorial at Bryan Station was rededicated in a joint ceremony conducted by Bryan Station Chapter, Lexington, Ky., and Lexington Chapter, Lexington. The stone memorial, placed in 1896 by the Lexington Chapter, honors the 28 heroic women and girls who in 1782 left the fort’s safety to gather water as the Indians poised for attack. Because of the women’s courage the fort withstood the two-day siege. The battle soon moved to Blue Licks where approximately 70 Kentuckians died. When the memorial washed out near the turn of the 20th century, it was jointly rebuilt by the Lexington and Bryan Station chapters.

Approximately 150 people, many descendants of the original Bryan Station settlers, attended the rededication. The program was patterned after the one held in 1896. Participants included Frankfort Convention Center Executive Director Linda G. Morgan, Kentucky State Treasurer and past Lexington Chapter Regent Martha Farmer King and Bryan Station Chapter Regent Donna T. Durbin. Oberlin College student Stafford Hartman sang “America.”

Isabel Yates described that August day 225 years ago on which the women descended the hillside toward the spring. Re-enactors dressed in period costume gathered water and silently returned up the hill toward the location the fort once occupied. The program ended with a shout by re-enactor Daniel Boone, “On to Blue Licks!”

Captain John Waller Chapter, Lexington, Ky., continued its support of youth patriotic education by sponsoring eight 2007 state JAC Contest winners and two national winners. An eighth-grade student won the national American History Essay Contest. A chapter member attends each Federal Naturalization Ceremony, welcoming and presenting each new U.S.
citizen with a special gift. Good Citizens are recognized at two high schools.

The chapter also provides strong support to veterans. Outstanding Veteran Patient and Outstanding Youth Volunteer contest entries won both state and division honors in 2007. Eleven members assisted with the veterans display during the state conference. Patricia Flynn Becker’s oil painting of 1778 historic Duncan Tavern, Kentucky State Society’s Headquarters, won a special prize at the conference.

Katherine McKelway Marchaterre, Frances Horlacher Saindon and Eleanor Proctor Coleman are DAR deputy representatives to the Lexington Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC). Marjorie Shepherd Shelton, representative and secretary of Lexington VAMC Volunteer Board, is the East Central National Division Vice Chairman of the DAR Service for Veterans Committee. World War II veteran Helen Horlacher Evans is a VAMC DAR deputy representative and served as a National Vice Chairman for the Veterans Oral History Project in partnership with the Library of Congress.

On August 25, 2007, members and guests of the Champlain Chapter, Champlain Valley, N.Y., met at the Westport Hotel to welcome Melinda McTaggart of the DAR Speakers Staff as their guest. Miss McTaggart spoke about the focus of the Women’s Issues Committee, of which she is National Chairman.

Chief Justice Cushing Chapter, Scituate, Mass., and Piety Hill Chapter, Birmingham, Mich., attended the dedication of a DAR commemorative marker for Revolutionary War soldier Experience Hammond, an ancestor of several Piety Hill Daughters, at Union Cemetery in Scituate in May 2007.

The Daughters of Chipola Chapter, Marianna, Fla., have chosen to focus on education as they carry out their efforts to further the DAR mission. In the fall students compete for several hundred dollars in prizes given by the chapter in the DAR American History and Christopher Columbus essay contests. Members also visit school assemblies each spring to present 18 National Defense awards. Blue Springs Society C.A.R., organized in August 2003 by Chipola Chapter, has become one of the outstanding societies in the state, with two members serving as state officers and seven as committee chairmen. The young society has won or placed in almost every contest entered. C.A.R. members join Chipola Daughters to provide “Teddy Bear Bags” for at-risk children, send toys to hospitalized children, help the DAR.
schools, and visit and make cards for veteran patients. In 2004, Blue Springs Society members told the history of Jackson Blue Spring in the television special “Our Town Marianna.” Members have joined Chipola Daughters to produce Washington’s Birthday, Flag Day, Fourth of July and Constitution Day programs for the community.

The Colonel John Starke Sr. Chapter, Oklahoma City, Okla., had a surprise visit from President Theodore “Teddy” Roosevelt at its May meeting, the theme of which was Oklahoma’s Centennial. Historian and actor Gary Gray presented an interesting talk about Roosevelt, who was president at the time of Oklahoma’s statehood. Members’ husbands and friends were also invited to the event.

The chapter also welcomed two new members, Charlene English and Opal Schilling. Mrs. Schilling was born on December 8, 1904, making her 102 years young. As the chapter’s oldest Daughter, she proves that it’s never too late to join DAR!

Harriet Foley, a member of Colonel Jonathan Bayard Smith Chapter, Middle-town, Ohio, received the 2007 Citizen of the Year Award from the Franklin Chapter of Commerce during the Fourth of July parade in Franklin, Ohio. Mrs. Foley has served as the Chapter Treasurer since 1988 and has held numerous chapter chairmanships. In 1991 she updated and indexed the chapter history, and in 2003 she wrote The Centennial History of the Colonel

Jonathan Bayard Smith Chapter. Other works she has edited or written include Carlisle, the Jersey Settlement in Ohio 1800–1980; The History of Franklin in the Great Miami Valley; and The Foleys from County Clare, Ireland, which she co-wrote with her husband Thomas R. Foley. Mrs. Foley is a charter member of the Franklin Area Historical Society (FAHS) and she remains active by serving as the society’s treasurer and writing the FAHS Newsletter. She is also involved in the Warren County Genealogy Society.

Mrs. Foley joined the Lagonda Chapter, Springfield, Ohio, in 1975 along with her mother because two of their Revolutionary ancestors lived and died in Springfield. She has taught fifth grade and high school French, and also worked as a school librarian. Mrs. Foley transferred to Colonel Jonathan Bayard Smith Chapter following her retirement so she could be a more active Daughter.

Barbara Penn Johannes of Erasmus Perry Chapter, Silver Spring, Md., with the help of Judy Rich, recently completed a quilt made for the Quilts of Valor Foundation. The Quilts of Valor Foundation was started to provide support and comfort to the injured service men and women in our service hospitals. The foundation serves as the liaison between volunteer quilters, who make the quilts; volunteer “long armers,” who do the machine quilting; and the chaplains at the various military and VA hospitals around the world, who deliver the finished quilts to service members. The whole chapter became involved in the project by donating the fabric for the quilt. More than 7,000 Quilts of Valor have been given to deserving veterans, and there is a need for 20,000 more.

The National Society has long been interested in quilts and quilting, as evidenced by the Museum’s past exhibition “Home and Country: American Quilts and
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Samplers in the DAR Museum and the Quilt Camp the Museum sponsors each year. This, coupled with the emphasis on service to America’s veterans, makes the Quilts of Valor Foundation a perfect cause for members to support. All Daughters are encouraged to lend their time and support to the foundation’s mission to “Cover all our wounded service members!” Visit www.qovf.org for more information.

Barbara Pick, Vice Regent of Fort Vasquez Chapter, Brighton, Colo., recently took part in Cheyenne Frontier Days, an annual event held in Cheyenne, Wyo. Cowboys, cowgirls and little cowpokes from all over the country attend. This was the 111th year of the 10-day event, which included parades, rodeos and a living history encampment at Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne.

Barbara Pick rides on a wagon equipped with a small cannon during the Cheyenne Frontier Days Parade.

The Northern Colorado Fife and Drum Corp., based in Loveland, Colo., has marched in the parade for many years. This year the Colorado State S.A.R. Color Guard was invited to march with them and join in a lunch at the encampment afterward. Three members of the guard were able to participate: David Mann, Colorado S.A.R. State President; Tom Wellborn, President of the Longs Peak Chapter, S.A.R., and Brent Pick, Vice President of the Longs Peak Chapter, S.A.R. and husband of Mrs. Pick, who dressed as Molly Pitcher and joined the group in the parade.

The Living History Encampment included groups representing World War I, the Civil War, the Revolutionary War and even World War II Germans. Everything at the camp had to be authentic for its time period. The Revolutionary War group showed the public how to throw a tomahawk and fire a musket. They also shot a Revolutionary-era cannon and entertained the crowds with patriotic music.

Four generations of Daughters from Grand River Trail Chapter, Milford, Mich., got together to celebrate Margaret Knight’s birthday in July. Mrs. Knight, Kathy Huff, Laura Islas and Alexandra Islas are proud to carry on the family tradition of serving the National Society. Four additional members of the family, making a total of eight, also belong to Grand River Trail Chapter, and a ninth will shortly join them.

On May 17, 2007, Vice Regent Anita Moore, past Regent Maria Miller and Regent Sara Gann of Jacksonville Chapter, Jacksonville, Fla., attended the memorial service at Naval Station Mayport commemorating the 20th anniversary of the attack on the U.S.S. Stark by the Iraqis. The event was particularly poignant for Ms. Gann because she was a housing inspector at Mayport at the time of the attack, and knew two of the sailors who were killed who lived in military family housing.

Jerusalem Chapter, Wantagh, N.Y., recently honored Christopher A. Wendt Sr. for his many years of service to the Wantagh School Board of Education. Wendt was presented with the DAR Good Citizen Award and an American flag that had flown over the Capitol building in Washington, D.C.

Left to right: Vice Regent Ellen B. Cook, Sue Wendt, Christopher Wendt and Regent Sandy Leonard
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On September 8, 2007, members of Kan Yuk sa Chapter, Jacksonville, Fla., enjoyed a brunch to welcome new members and to recognize 15 members with 20 or more years of service to DAR. The meeting was held at the home of Reporter General and Honorary State Regent Rebecca Lockhart.

Plans for the chapter’s 57th year were presented. These plans include a field trip to the Mighty 8th Air Force Museum to enjoy their excellent section on Women in the Air Corps. Another trip will be in the form of a scavenger hunt to explore and re-discover the area’s DAR, S.A.R. and C.A.R. historical markers.


For the next few years the chapter will focus on a plan to recognize and enhance the Florida route followed by the American naturalist William Bartram from 1773–1777 by placing historical markers at significant spots along the way.

The Kate Waller Barrett Chapter, Alexandria, Va., was invited by Lynne Garvey-Wark of the Fairfax County History Commission to mark the property at Ivakota Farm. Chapter namesake Dr. Kate Waller Barrett established a home for unwed mothers on the farm in 1917. Many members of the Clifton, Va., community, including Mrs. Garvey-Wark, as well as relatives of Dr. Barrett and local government leadership, participated. In its early days, Dr. Barrett’s movement to build sanctuary missions to provide compassionate care and maternity service to unwed mothers was very controversial. Under her guidance, the Florence Crittenton homes gradually gave up the effort to chastise these women and concentrated on the needs of the mother and child by offering them a residence, maternity care and baby training.

At a June luncheon, Letitia Green Stevenson Chapter, Bloomington, Ill., surprised Ruth Bitting Hamm with a presentation enumerating her 68 years of service to the chapter. Because she often served in more than one position simultaneously, her service totals more than 130 years. In her honor, Chapter Regent Sharon Frizzell donated McLean County Combined Indexed Atlases 1856–1914 to the DAR Library.

Mrs. Hamm contributed at the state and national levels through her service as Registrar General, Vice President General, State Regent, State Registrar, Tamassee trustee, Resolutions Committee member, Senior State President of C.A.R. and many other positions.

For the Illinois Sesquicentennial, Mrs. Hamm wrote the presentation “From Wilderness to Statehood” and also compiled the “Historic Illinois” booklet. She prepared “Is That Service Right?” and the Membership Promotion Workshop Manual. She is the author of The Hudson Colony and Henrich (H-3) Bitting and His Descendants 1672–2005, and editor of Soldiers of the American Revolution Buried in Illinois. She is completing a book about the Merwin branch of her family. Mrs. Hamm is currently the Illinois Chairman of Chapter Records Retention and the Chapter Parliamentarian.

The Los Angeles-Eschscholtzia Chapter, Los Angeles, Calif., recently honored Louis Zamperini with the DAR Medal of Honor. Zamperini, well-known Olympian and hero of World War II, is best recognized for his book Devil at My Heels and his work with American youth,
The presentation, which was held at the West Los Angeles VA Healthcare Center, was attended by members of the Olympic Committee, the Veteran’s Administration and the Children of the American Revolution.

Mercy Hathaway White Chapter, Bradford, N.H., recently held its 95th annual meeting/luncheon at the Rosewood Inn in Bradford. The officers for the next three years were installed and a pending member was introduced. The chapter members presented outgoing Regent Barbara Corson with a past regent’s pin, and she was also honored for making and donating four beautiful quilts to support several New Hampshire projects. Two of the quilts were designed, sewn and donated by Mrs. Corson to benefit the conservation of the fireplace screen in the New Hampshire Children’s Attic in Memorial Continental Hall in Washington, D.C. She also designed, sewed and donated two other quilts to raise funds for the DAR-sponsored Hillside School in Marlboro, Mass.

The Daughters of Mission Canyon Chapter, Santa Barbara, Calif., participated in the city’s 43rd annual Independence Day parade. Members rode in a 1901 antique Studebaker school wagon pulled by a Belgian draft horse. Participants included Regent Judy Cardinal, Second Vice Regent Marilea Ross, Recording Secretary Helen Marquette, Insignia Chairman Julene Watson and prospective member Kathy Corbett. The memorable day was filled with pride and patriotic spirit as everyone celebrated our great nation’s 231st birthday.

Montrose Chapter, Montrose, Pa., put visiting State Regent Marie Heske (2004–2007) to work at a luncheon banquet held June 14, 2007. Mrs. Heske performed the task of swearing in 12 new members of Montrose Chapter. Two more applications are pending approval. Mrs. Heske also issued the oath of office to two incoming chapter officers. Mrs. Heske, who said it was her first time visiting northeastern Pennsylvania, commented on the area’s beauty and the wonderful treatment she received during her stay.

Newly sworn in Chapter Regent Marleta Shadduck praised outgoing Regent Myrtle Carlson for the work accomplished during her tenure. Under Mrs. Carlson’s leadership, the Montrose Chapter added 29 new members in the past six years.

The chapter offered a basket of personal care products to be presented to the Women’s Resource Center in memory of Vicki Clary.

In January 2007, historian Andy Serros presented a fascinating program for the Orlando Chapter, Orlando, Fla., about remembering Orlando’s past. During the meeting Serros was honored with a Community Service Award for Historic Preservation. Soon a full-page article appeared in the Orlando daily newspaper referencing Outgoing Regent Barbara Corson and Headmaster David Beecher of Hillside School with one of her quilts.
the award, and then Serros appeared in a five-minute segment on the morning news to speak about his project, Orlando Remembered.

The project began one Sunday morning in 1979 when Serros became disturbed after reading that the grand old downtown landmark, the San Juan Hotel, circa 1880, was to be replaced by a bank. Serros and several other residents discussed what could be done preserve the memories of Orlando's past. They envisioned a large display case "like a little museum" in the bank's lobby with memorabilia and pictures of how the San Juan Hotel looked before the demolition. Thus Orlando Remembered was born. The group has created 18 display cases to date, all of which are in prominent places in buildings that replaced landmark buildings in downtown Orlando.

Improved communication is a key to the recent growth spurt at the

**Sallie Harrison Chapter**, Sanford, Fla. A 15-percent increase in membership from September 2006 to May 2007 reflects the introduction of a bimonthly chapter newsletter, mentoring by chapter officers and the teamwork of all members.

With an average age of 71 years young, the Sallie Harrison Chapter needed to attract more diverse members. Members employed a telephone tree, e-mail reminders and genuinely friendly welcomes at meetings in their efforts toward chapter growth. The chapter's first Lineage Research Workshop, held in November 2006, attracted 16 women who needed assistance with their DAR applications. Since then, seven of those women have been accepted into the National Society. Now, the chapter's average age is 68 1/2 years old.

Chapter Registrar Sandy Hux also connected with 67 prospective members culled from contacts dating back as many as six years. Fourteen potential members were introduced to past and current chapter officers at a Prospective Member Tea on August 26, 2007. Mrs. Hux says, "It takes time to do genealogy research, don't give up on prospective members, just keep the lines of communication open."

The **Susannah Chandler Chapter**, Locust Grove, Va., held a ceremony at Spotswood Park on May 19, 2007, to dedicate a bronze historical/commemorative marker for Captain John Spotswood, a grandson of Royal Lieutenant Governor Alexander Spotswood, who built his home, Orange Grove, in the late 1700s on land that is now part of Lake of the Woods, a private residential community that includes three lakes. Captain Spotswood, a soldier of the American Revolution, served honorably as a member of the Continental Army 10th Virginia Regiment. A special guest to the ceremony was Alexander Spotswood, the seventh great-grandson of Royal Lt. Gov. Spotswood. Following the dedication were Colonial fair activities which included strolling chamber singers, Colonial crafts and games, the Honor America Corps Colonial Flag display, the Lake of the Woods Players children's group performance of "Founding Fathers," an American Revolution Colonial gentleman with a Colonial money display, a Native American display, and tavern wenches with a display from the Rising Sun Tavern of Fredericksburg, Va.

Regent Peggy Benton, past Regent Cora Sjogren-Welch and Flag Chairman Sheila McGinty represented the **Treasure Coast Chapter**, Vero Beach, Fla., at a Memorial Day celebration. Miss McGinty also presented a new flag for the 20th Street Regional Park to the Vero Beach Parks and Recreation Department on Flag Day. Each month during the summer a chapter member hosted a brown bag lunch at which stories and laughter abounded. The brown bag lunch for September was held in the Vero Beach historical Hallstrom Farmstead House, owned by the Indian River County Historical Society. Members were treated to a private tour of the home. Constitution Week was celebrated with displays in the Vero Beach main library and Indian River Mall, and the mayor proclaimed September 17–23, 2007, Constitution Week.
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New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, West Virginia

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Missouri, South Dakota, Vermont

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Alabama, Illinois, Maine, Ohio, South Carolina, Washington,
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New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Texas

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North Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia

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Virginia Sumrall Thompson
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50 years of Service to the Daughters of the American Revolution

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“Harvesting Our Heritage”

Louisiana Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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November/December 2007
CONGRATULATIONS, MILLE!
From your proud family!

Mille Lupo Daigre
Louisiana Society Daughters of the American Revolution
2007 State Outstanding Junior
And
NSDAR 2007 Finalist

Sandra Davis – Mother
Laura Lupo Leinecke – Sister
Millegene Biggers Davis – Grandmother (Deceased)
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“DAUGHTERS OF THE SOUTH”
Louisiana Society Daughters of the American Revolution
And
Mississippi State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

CHARTERED BUS GROUP AT CONTINENTAL CONGRESS 2007

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ATTAKAPAS CHAPTER
SALUTES OUR LOUISIANA PATRIOTS WHO SERVED UNDER
DON BERNARDO GALVEZ

Excerpt from 1781 Louisiana Land Grant in the Attakapas District to Patriot
François Charles Grévemberg – Signature and wax seal of Galvez
(Image courtesy of St. Mary Parish Landmarks Society and Grévemberg House Museum, Franklin, Louisiana)

MEMBERS AND PATRIOTS

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GREETINGS FROM LOUISIANA

OUSHOLA CHAPTER
Bogalusa, Louisiana
Honors Our 50 Year Members
Dorris Ann MeGehee
Martha “Rusty” Durand

Celebrating 102 Years of Serving
God, Home and Country
Spirit of ’76 Chapter
New Orleans, Louisiana

In Loving Memory of
ROSALIE DUGGAN CLINKSCALES
SABINE CHAPTER
Many, Louisiana

GREETINGS FROM LOUISIANA

November/December 2007
The Louisiana Daughters of District 3
PROUDLY SALUTE OUR VERY OWN TRIO OF STATE OFFICERS 2007-2010

Carolyn F. Brown, State Regent
Sue Simpson, State Treasurer
Mary Belle White, Corresponding Secretary

PARTICIPATING CHAPTERS
Boeuf River – Bruin Vidal – Chief Tusquahoma – D’Arbonne – Fort Miro
General William Carroll – Long Leaf Pine – Moses Shelby – Oakley

FIVE GENERATIONS OF THE GEORGE F. MERWIN FAMILY
HONOR

LAURA NEWKIRK MERWIN
MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER, GREAT GRANDMOTHER,
GREAT GREAT GRANDMOTHER

48 YEARS OF DAR SERVICE
MEMBER OF THE RIVER AUX SABLE CHAPTER MICHIGAN
Maryland Daughters
Honor with Pride

Barbara Hensley Carpenter
Mrs. William A. Carpenter
State Regent
2006–2009

“No bird soars too high, if he soars with his own wings.” – William Blake
Maryland Daughters
Take Pride in Our State Officers

And Our Ties with Maryland SAR

Maryland SAR
Color Guard
with
Maryland SAR Presidents

Christos Christou, Jr.
2006-2007

and

Ernest Irish
2007-2008

"No bird soars too high, if he soars with his own wings." — William Blake
Maryland Daughters
Honor Those Serving Our Communities

Col. Birrane
Outstanding Veteran Patient Award

Pauline Trost
Founders Medal for Patriotism

Zeke Petersen
Community Service Award

Through
History

Wayne Coblentz
Outstanding American History Teacher

Doug Hutzell
Conservation Medal

And Welcome the Calvin Administration
Opening New Doors of Opportunity

"No bird soars too high, if he soars with his own wings." – William Blake
Maryland Daughters
Support Our Junior Members

What’s New This Year?
Junior Mentor Program
Junior Club
Junior Breakfast at Conference
Honorary Junior Award

Kendra Michelle Green
Outstanding Junior 2007

State Conference Pages 2007

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MICHIGAN STATE SOCIETY
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

PROUDLY PRESENTS

SHARON ANN STRINGFELLOW HOPKINS, STATE REGENT 2006 - 2009
BRITTANY ANN HAMMONDS, GRANDDAUGHTER
DAWN MARIE CUSICK RAVEN, DAUGHTER

All members of the Chief Shawano Chapter
MICHIGAN STATE SOCIETY
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

PROUDLY PRESENTS

STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD 2006 - 2009

Front Row: Lou Ann Hixson, State Chaplain; Patricia Dennert, State First Vice Regent; Sharon Ann Stringfellow Hopkins, State Regent; Amelia Denslow, State Second Vice Regent; Nancy Chascsa, State Recording Secretary. Back Row: Ellen Steward, State Director; Arlene Robertson, State Librarian; Laurie Levy, State Registrar; Helen Ashby, State Corresponding Secretary; Barbara Allison, State Treasurer; Jean Blovits, State Historian; Betty Barringer, State Director.
MICHIGAN STATE SOCIETY
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

PROUDLY PRESENTS

BRENDA SHENEMAN-HOLMES OZOG
(Mrs. Matthew)

MICHIGAN OUTSTANDING JUNIOR 2007

State theme: “United under God with our ancestors, each other, and our natural resources.”
MICHIGAN STATE SOCIETY
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

PROUDLY PRESENTS

STATE CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES
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STATE COMMITTEES

2006 - 2009
Missouri Daughters
Salute With Pride
Our Own

Vice President General
2002-2005

Honorary State Regent
2002-Present

Missouri State Regent
2000-2002

Missouri State Vice-Regent
1998-2000

Carole Temple Farmer
(Mrs. John M.)
Organizing Secretary General
2007-2010
Missouri Daughters
Present Our
Outstanding Junior - 2007-2008

Mary Elizabeth Davis Petersen
(Mrs. Andrew Paul)
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Clarion, Iowa
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Ancestor: John Wilhoit, Virginia

NSDAR CC Chief Flag Page 2007
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Grand Prairie Society, N.S.C.A.R.
Officer
New York State

District VIII

Proudly Presents Its Own
New York State Regent 2007–2010

To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;
— Ecclesiastes 3: 1–2

Those who wait upon the Lord shall mount up on wings as Eagles. They shall run, and not be weary.
They shall walk, and not faint.
— Isaiah 40:31

Gretta B. Archer

Through Service and Friendship We Grow. Friends are Forever.

DISTRICT VIII

Abigail Fillmore—Mary O'Shei
Anna Ingalsbe Lovell—Dawn Helen Berg
Benjamin Prescott—Roxanne Wood
Catherine Schuyler—Eleanor Reynolds
Ellicott—Lorraine Titus
Jamestown—Carolyn Volk
Katharine Pratt Horton—Beverly King

Major Benjamin Bosworth—Marlene Webster
Mary Janison—JoAnne Doll
Niagara Falls—Patricia Rice
Olean—Theresa K. Simon
Orleans—Donna D. Smith
Salamanca—Joanne B. Fuller
Williams Mills—Kelli Mancuso

—— Irene Marks Rupp, District VIII Director ——
Through Service and Friendship We Grow
“Friends are Forever”

New York State Organization Officers
2007 - 2010

State Officers
Regent: Gretta Archer
Vice Regent: Denise Doring VanBuren
Chaplain: Bonnie Whittington Ranieri
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Organizing Secretary: Nancy Zwetsch
Treasurer: Claudia Engelhardt
Registrar: Carrolyn Davies
Historian: Angela Marie Fabiani
Librarian: Betty Dreyhaupt
Custodian: Nancy I. Rodenmacher

State Directors:
District I, II, & XII: Lisa Brown
District III: Joan B. Sondergaard
District IV: Barbara J. Green
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District VII: Barbara Reese
District VIII: Irene Marks Rupp
District IX: Phyllis Murphy
District X & XI: Norma V. Plett
Appointed Parliamentarian: Frances C. Dumke
Congratulations

Molly Ker Hawn
2007 National Outstanding Junior Member

— Brooklyn Chapter, New York —

**National Chairman,**
Public Relations/Motion Picture,
Radio & Television Committee,
2004–2007

**National Vice Chairman,**
Technology Advisory Committee,
2001–2004

**New York State Organizing Secretary,**
2004–2006

**Regent,**
Peter Minuit Chapter,
New York, New York,
2001–2003

**Personal Page**
to President General
Presley Merritt Wagoner, 2006

**Personal Page**
to State Regent
Frances T. Pattarini,
2001–2004

**Organizing President,**
Old Stone House Society, N.S.C.A.R.

Presented by her
proud family with
very best wishes.
WESTCHESTER REGENTS ROUNDTABLE OF NEW YORK
CONGRATULATES

New York State Regent Mrs. Elizabeth M. Mckee
On Her election as Vice President General, NSDAR
And
Molly Ker Hawn as National Outstanding Junior

The Roundtable participated in White Plains Flag Day Celebrations, June 14, 2007
The Certificate of Award from NSDAR Flag of the United States of America Committee
was presented to White Plains Councilman Glen Hockley in recognition of his work
in instituting and organizing Flag Day in White Plains, County Seat of Westchester

At the White Plains Performing Arts Center,
the children of the Church Street Elementary
School led the pledge of allegiance, and
demonstrated the progress of the American
Flag over its history. Two children
demonstrated each flag, from those used in
the Revolutionary War to our current flag,
under the tutelage of Daniel Griffin and
narrated by Joe Costable.

Students and dignitaries then marched to
Renaissance Square in White Plains for the
conclusion of the ceremonies.

Marjorie Renino, Regent of the White Plains
Chapter, and Councilman Glen Hockley,
followed closely by Daniel Griffin, Executive
Director of the Vietnam Veterans Of America
Westchester Chapter 49, and Eagle Scout Joe
Costable, led the procession.

Marjorie Renino presented the NSDAR
Certificate of Award to Councilman Glen
Hockley at the ceremonies in Renaissance
Square in White Plains.

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History does not long entrust the care of freedom to the weak or the timid.  
Dwight D. Eisenhower

The Chapters of New York State Districts I, II & XII salute with pride the patriotism of our brave American men and woman serving overseas.

BROOKLYN  
Regent Laura Congleton

MARY WASHINGTON COLONIAL  
Regent Joan Aalde

FORT GREENE  
Regent Margaret Skinner

NEW YORK CITY  
Regent Nancy S. Jones

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Regent Anne Teasdale

PETER MINUIT  
Regent Robin J. Roman

MANHATTAN  
Regent Jane Allen Shikoh

RICHMOND COUNTY  
Regent Marti Santo
New York State Capital District Round Table

Fort Klock Restoration

Fort Klock was initially constructed in 1750 by Johannes Klock, and in 1973 was designated a National Historic Landmark, a site “of exceptional value in commemorating or illustrating the history of the United States.”

Fort Klock is an excellent and little-altered architectural type example of a mid-18th century fur trading post and fortified stone house structure that was widely used in the Mohawk Valley by settlers as a place of refuge during the French and Indian War, and later, the War of Independence.

The site was well chosen for trading and defense. A sheltered cove along the riverbank below the fort provided safe anchorage for trading bateaux that plied the river. Massive stonewalls are heavily loop holed on every side so that muskets could be fired from inside the house. And a natural spring provided fresh water from inside the cellar.

By 1775, a line of frontier settlements stretched westward along the Mohawk Valley for 65 miles from Schenectady to German Flatts, New York. Agriculturally rich, the valley served as a major breadbasket for the patriot cause. Its population of about 15,000 settlers provided a militia force of about 2,500 men.

The purpose of these fortified private houses was to provide places of safety where neighboring settlers could seek refuge when bands of raiding Indians and Tories swept through the valley.

In 1781, after six years of constant warfare, conditions in the Mohawk Valley were far different. More than 700 homes had been burned, the population was reduced to 5,000 and the militia to 800 men. It was the privately fortified structures such as Fort Klock that enabled the people still living in the valley to survive until the end of the hostilities.

The 30 acre complex includes the original colonial farm structures, a 19th century schoolhouse and a blacksmith shop and is open Memorial Day to Columbus Day. Additional information is available at www.fortklockrestoration.org.

New York State Capital District Round Table Officers

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Fort Plain
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Johnstown

Ondawa Cambridge
Saratoga
Schenectady
Ticonderoga
Willards Mountain
Remarkable Howe Caverns

Long before a local farmer, Lester Howe, discovered what is now known as Howe Caverns, the cave was known to the Native Americans and used as a hiding spot for patriots during the Revolutionary War.

The Native Americans had called it, Otsgaragaee, or “Great Valley Cave.” While little is known about early explorations, Reverend John Peter Resig of Schoharie, author of Forest Parson, chronicled valuable information on the cave.

During the Revolutionary War, Pastor Resig took refuge in the cave, leaving his underground shelter to go to the Battle of Oriskany. He arrive at the battle as Mohawk Chief Joseph Brant pointed out General Nicholas Herkimer to the Indians. Pastor Resig went to the general’s side and seized a battle-ax in his defense.

Even with this early history, the great cave wasn’t officially discovered until 1842. Local farmer Lester Howe had been fascinated by the story of the “Blowing Rock.” The alert farmer had noticed that his dairy herd always pastured in the same spot, not on his land, but on land owned by his neighbor and friend Henry Wetzel. As Howe approached his herd, he noticed the change in temperature. It was getting cooler. Slowly and carefully, he pulled aside the bushes. Lester Howe had found “Blowing Rock,” the site of the great cave.

In February 1843, Howe purchased the property from Wetzel for $100 and opened Howe’s Cave as the country’s third commercial cave venture.

Then, times changed. The public’s interest in caves waned, and the number of visitors was on a downward spiral. In 1888, not long before his death, Lester Howe transferred his property to the Howes Cave Association.

In place of the visitors coming to see the caverns, a constant succession of owners quarried limestone from the hillside for cement. While the precise year is unknown, sometime between 1910 and 1925, the first explosive charges in the limestone quarry face blasted Howe’s Cave. Over the years, about 300 feet of the “old” cave have been destroyed.

In 1929, Howe Caverns, Inc. was reopened to the public for tours that featured new elevators for the 156 foot descent into the cave, brick walkways and the boat ride. Today, visitors see less than half the original underground passage.

Howe Caverns has new owners with exciting plans to enhance the experience for all who visit Schoharie County’s landmark attraction. The plans include putting the entire cave system back together as one system as it was when Lester Howe began giving tours of the natural attraction in 1842.

Formed about six million years ago from water running through limestone, Howe Caverns is located between Albany and Cooperstown, New York. Additional information is available on the Howe Caverns website, www.howecaverns.com.

District III Chapters

Captain Christian Brown
Fort Crailo
General Peter Gansevoort
Hannacrois
Henrick Hudson
Johannes Hardenburgh
Meeting House Hill

Mohawk
Old Hellenbergh
On-ti-ora
Schoharie
Tawasentha
Van Renesselaer
Wiltwyck
The Central New York Roundtable
salutes with pride its member

Merry Ann F. Wright,
First Vice President General
for her decades-long commitment to the DAR.

National Service:
Congressional Committees: Chief Personal Page to President General Mrs. George U. Baylies 1977-1980; Personal Page to the Page Committee at Continental Congress 8 years; Marshall Page 8 years
Club Affiliations: Executive Club - Life Member, National Officers Club - Life Member, Vice Presidents General Club - Life Member, Vice President 1992-1995, State Regents Club - Charter and Life Member, National Chairman's Association - President 1989-1992, Vice President 1986-1989, Life Member; Outstanding Juniors Club - Life Member, National Vice Chairman's Association - Charter and Life Member, Heritage Club - Charter Member, Founders Club
Recognition: Outstanding Junior Northern Division Winner 1979, Unity of Spirit Award 1999; Golden Key Award 1997
DAR Schools: Tamahee and KDS Board of Trustees 1989-1992; Hillside School Corporation 1989-2001; Tamahee Advisory Committee; National Schools Tour 1989 and 2004
State Service:
Page: Personal Page to two State Regents; Personal Page to State Chaplain 7 years
Club Affiliations: New York State Officers' Club - Life Member, past Director; New York Ex-Regents Association - Life Member, State Chairman's and Vice Chairman's Club - Charter and Life Member
Chapter Service:
Colonel Marinus Willett Chapter Regent 1974-1977, Vice Regent 1971-1974; Recording Secretary 1968-1971; Librarian 1992 - present; Associate Member: Old Hallebergh Chapter, New York, Kate Weller Barrett Chapter, Virginia, Henry Clay Chapter, Virginia.

Congratulations from the Chapters, Regents & Members of Central New York!

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Evelyn Hallberg
Col. Marinus Willett
Nancy L. Cook
Fayetteville-Owahenena
Phyllis W. Perkins
Fort Stanwix
Joyce C. Butters

Gen. Asa Dunforth
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Gen. William Floyd
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Gen. Winf. Scott-Ganowuages
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Kayendatsyon-Fl. Oswego
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LeRay de Chaumont
Elizabeth Woods
Mohawk Valley
Donna Rubin

Oneida
Lillith Trew Kennedy
Ononta
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Otsego
Martha Jex
Skenandoah
Pat Taylor

486 Daughters of the American Revolution Newsletter
Irodequoit Chapter, Rochester, New York
“We Share a Proud Heritage”

Irodequoit Chapter was organized in 1894 and its name means “where the lake turns aside”. The Hervey Ely House, built in 1837, was purchased by our chapter in 1920. It is considered one of the finest examples of the Greek Revival style of architecture in Western NY. By preserving this landmark, we honor the first objective of the National Society.

Our most famous Irodequoit Daughter, Susan B. Anthony, became a member in 1898. Last year we took part in the re-enactment service of her funeral which took place 100 years ago in 1906.

Each year Irodequoit Chapter awards scholarships to deserving high school graduates in Monroe County. This June three students received checks for $3,000. Our benefactor for this scholarship fund, Polly S. Burke, served as Regent of Irodequoit Chapter, Director of District VII and NYS Vice Chairman of DAR Schools.

In October 2006 we celebrated the 100th Anniversary Rededication of the Revolutionary War Monument in Mt. Hope Cemetery. This monument is a tribute to the soldiers of General John Sullivan’s Campaign, specifically the members of Captain Thomas Boyd’s scouting party, who fell at Groveland, Livingston County, NY on September 13, 1779. The remains of Captain Boyd, four fellow officers, his Oneida Indian guide, and nine volunteer riflemen are buried at this sight.

The officers of Irodequoit Chapter are pictured below. From left to right are Janet Spaccasi, House & Grounds Treasurer; Martha Johnstone, Treasurer; Robbie Dreeson, Registrar; Beverly Henning, 2nd Vice Regent and House & Grounds Manager; Carol Brown, Historian; Eva Haelem, Librarian; Kathy Palermo, Chaplain; Carol Levering, Regent and Patricia Andraszek, 1st Vice Regent.

Sponsored by the Chapters of
New York State District VII
Roundtable
Barbara Reese - District VII Director

District VII Officers
Heidi Colf - President
Beverly Dates - Vice President
Betty McMahon - Secretary
Martha Johnstone - Treasurer

District VII Chapters and Regents
Caleb Hopkins - Elaine Swieczek
Canandaigua - Cynthia Schwab
Col. William Prescott - Patricia Petty
Corning-Baron Steuben - Constance Powell
Corporal Josiah Griswold - Nancy Puderbaugh
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The Chapters of New York’s Hudson Valley Council Salute
two member chapters that have kept alive the memory of the brave patriots of the

**Battle of Minisink**
through their annual observances at two local monuments recalling that sacrifice.

**Beaverkill**
Liberty, New York, 90th Anniversary:
formed 1917 and named for the famous trout stream that flows through Sullivan County, and

**Minisink**
Goshen, New York, 105th Anniversary:
formed 1902 and named in memory of the Battle of Minisink.

In July 1779, Joseph Brant, a Dartmouth-educated Mohawk warrior commissioned a
colonel in the British Army, led an attack on the settlements at Minisink, destroying
farms, a school, a church, and other buildings, and bringing great fear to the frontier.
The next day, two groups of militia led by Lt. Col. Benjamin Tusten of Goshen, New
York and Maj. Samuel Meeker of Sussex County in New Jersey, met near Port Jervis.
They followed Brant up the Delaware River with the intent to ambush him and recover
the horses, cattle and personal items that had been taken. The patriots discovered
Brant and his raiders crossing the river at Lackawaxen and were preparing an ambush
when one of the militia’s scouts fired his gun, alerting Brant of their presence. Brant
outflanked the patriots on the hillside above the river, cutting off one of the three mi-
titia units and leaving the remaining two in disarray. The ensuing Battle of Minisink,
in which nearly 50 New York and New Jersey militiamen lost their lives, sent shock
waves along the Delaware.

The remains of those slain on that desolate hilltop
were not afforded a proper burial until 1822, when
“a committee was appointed to collect the remains and
to ascertain the names of the fallen. The committee
proceeded to the battle ground, a distance of 46 miles
from Goshen, and viewed some of the frightful eleva-
tions and descents over which the militia had passed.
The place where the conflict occurred, and the region for several miles around, were
carefully examined and the relics of the honored dead gathered with pious care. The
remains were taken to Goshen, where they were buried in the presence of 15,000 per-
sons.” A monument was erected to mark the mass grave, upon which was inscribed
the names of the men killed in the battle. More than two centuries later, the Daughters of
both Beaverkill and Minisink Chapters still recall the story of sacrifice of their com-

The Hudson Valley Council Chapters

**Beaverkill**
Chancellor Livingston
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Old Mine Road
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TO HONOR KETEWAMOKE CHAPTER’S 100TH BIRTHDAY

KETEWAMOKE’S CHAPTER HOUSE, HUNTINGTON, LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK

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Instituted Knickerbocker Scholarship Program with Columbia University funded by Morgan Stanley Foundation, awarded to a graduate student selected by History Department Chairman ★ Hosted Project Patriot Parties to knit blankets and raise funds to send care packages to the wounded soldiers at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany ★ Three Junior Members paged at National Congress and New York State Conference ★ Participated in the New York City Flag Parade, Massing of the Colors at St. Thomas Church in commemoration of Veteran's Day, Veteran's Day Parade and Battle of Brooklyn Ceremonies ★ Three successful benefits: Book signing and lecture by noted author Harlow Unger on George Washington, Historic New York City Tour and SAR-DAR Gala Ball Silent Auction ★ Donated to DAR Schools, Project Patriot, DAR Library, President General's Project and New York State Regent's Project ★ Membership initiative with Genealogy Workshops and Membership Brunches and Teas.

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Wisconsin Society creates Project Woman to Woman for women in the military serving overseas

Project Woman to Woman was proposed by Julie Farris Stuhlmacher when she was serving as Wisconsin First Vice Regent. Wisconsin Daughters first donated personal care items for women serving in the military at Fall Workshop in 2006.

It was such a successful service project that the Wisconsin Society continued collecting items for Project Woman to Woman at the 111th State Conference in May, 2007.

Pictured on the right are Julie Farris Stuhlmacher (center) and veterans, Phyllis Bertholf (left) and Vera Roddy (right) from the Wisconsin Department American Legion Women’s Post 448 in Milwaukee. The Wisconsin Society presented an award to the Post in gratitude for their generous contribution to Project Woman to Woman.

Due to the overwhelming response of Wisconsin Daughters and the cards and letters of appreciation from women serving in Iraq and Afghanistan who received the personal care packages, the Wisconsin Society is continuing this project for our military women serving overseas.

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“As a soldier, I am proud to serve my country; as a female, I am proud to represent my gender; as an American, I am proud to be part of a nation where people of diverse backgrounds can heed the call to duty, either in uniform or as civilians. Thank you for doing your part to make our country the great land that it is, and for assisting in the effort to make things better around the world.”

Excerpt from a note received from M.H. (name omitted for security reasons) APO AE 09366
Wisconsin Society celebrates the Appleton Flag Day parade - the oldest Flag Day parade in the Nation

DAR banners and flags were flying at the Flag Day Parade held in Appleton, Wisconsin on June 9, 2007. The event has been held annually since its inception in 1950, the year after President Truman designated June 14 as Flag Day. The parade in Appleton is the oldest and largest Flag Day parade in the nation. Diana Schneider chaired the DAR Flag Day Parade project.

Among the entrants in the parade were over 100 military units and bands from across the country. They displayed patriotic themes, honored the flag, and showed gratitude to the men and women who have served – and continue to serve – our country to preserve its freedoms.

C.A.R. members, Sarah Frederick (far left) and Katrina Schmidt (far right) get ready to march in the Appleton Flag Day parade with WSDAR State Regent Elect, Julie Farris Stuhlmacher (center left) and Vice President General and Honorary State Regent, Beverly D. West.
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AT THIS TIME of year when we pause to count our blessings, I would be remiss not to include the talented professionals who prepare American Spirit and Daughters newsletter. I thought that you might enjoy knowing a little bit about some of members of the Magazine Team, whose names appear on our masthead and who work behind the scenes to ensure that you enjoy every edition.

Jamie Roberts, managing editor of American Spirit, is a native of Montevallo, Ala., who received her bachelor’s degree in English from Birmingham-Southern College and master’s from Florida State University, where she later taught. She enjoys managing our magazine because “every issue is a mini history lesson.”

Laura Creekmore, managing editor of Daughters, grew up in Bolivar, Tenn., and is an active community volunteer who makes time to teach piano to low-income children among other worthwhile causes. This Thanksgiving, she’s most grateful for her family, including her two beautiful children.

Edith Rianzares, Printing and Publications Director, was born in the Philippines and migrated here in 1980. She holds an economics degree from the University of Santo Tomas in Manila, and loves to travel and play tennis. This holiday season, she is grateful for having good health “to enjoy life and my work.”

Publications Coordinator Courtney Peter, who grew up on a farm in southwestern Pennsylvania, graduated from Penn State and is a huge Nittany Lions fan! She loves to read, cook, garden and sew. Circulation Coordinator Meaghan Trimyer was raised in Norfolk, Va., and studied ballet for two years before receiving her bachelor’s in English from the University of Virginia. Advertising Coordinator Toni-Ann Ignacio lives in Falls Church, Va., and is a native of the Philippines. She holds a degree in communication arts and enjoys film festivals.

I am a former television news anchor who holds an MBA and who now works in the electric industry. My three sons and I love our 1840 farmhouse on the Hudson River, and have spent the last five summers hosting players from the nearby stadium of the Tampa Bay Devil Rays’ minor league baseball team.

As you enjoy your own celebration surrounded by those you love during the weeks ahead, I wish you the warmest of holiday seasons on behalf of every member of our team. Very best wishes for good health and much happiness.

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