Give Thanks and Reflect During This Season of Celebration

As we enter the period of elections for the highest offices in the United States, for commemorating the service of those who have served our country and the times they have been called to serve, as well as the seasons of celebration at Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa, I particularly remember reading of December 1777, when General George Washington called upon the patriots to give thanks for the blessings of the year and to pray for “the greatest of all human Blessings, INDEPENDENCE and PEACE.”

The Continental Congress followed with a Thanksgiving declaration. “It is therefore recommended by congress, that Thursday the 18th day of December next be set apart for Solemn Thanksgiving and Praise.” Believing that it was “the indispensable duty of all men [and women], to adore the superintending providence of Almighty God.”

Resolutions of thanks such as this one remind us to count our own blessings and to reflect on our successes and grow from our setbacks.

As this administration celebrates its final year of service, we have accomplished a great deal and still have much to complete. The flat roofs have been replaced, as have the air handling systems in the Administration Building and Memorial Continental Hall. The exterior of the Administration Building has been completely cleaned and repointed where necessary. Granite was replaced in several severely decomposed areas as well.

The DAR Library Lay Light Restoration is well under way. All 27 panels have been removed and transported to the art glass studio, where they are being completely dismantled, cleaned and repaired. Broken glass is being replaced, and new lead cames are being installed with additional reinforcements. Once reinstalled, the lay light will take its place as one of our architectural treasures again, this time with enhanced safety and beauty.

The lay light and other architectural elements of the DAR buildings are featured on the 2013 NSDAR Calendar. If you have not received your copy, please contact the Office of Development to ask how you can obtain one.

I hope you have the opportunity to spend time with family and friends throughout this busy time of the year, and that you will remember the verses from Ecclesiastes 3: “There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven: … a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.” Let us each give thanks for our blessings and pray for peace and leadership that will live and govern with the same principles as our patriots and founders.

In circles of friendship, service and commitment,

Merry Ann T. Wright
President General
News from DAR Headquarters

Office of the Chaplain General

Necrology Report

The National Society regrets to report the death of the following:


Office of the Treasurer General

In 2012, 63 chapters have had their tax exemption automatically revoked by the IRS for failure to file the applicable Form 990 for three consecutive years. The revocations were not concentrated in one region or in a few states: The affected chapters are spread across the country. Those chapters must now independently establish tax-exempt charitable status with the IRS by filing a Form 1023 and paying a significant fee.

Once the IRS has revoked an organization’s tax exemption, contributions to that chapter are no longer tax-deductible by members and other donors. The chapter is no longer authorized to act as an exempt organization under the National Society’s group exemption or to represent in any way that it is operating as a charitable organization. The exclusion from NSDAR’s group exemption listing is permanent. NSDAR is prohibited by the IRS from adding the chapter back to its group exemption listing at any time in the future, even if the chapter has its tax exemption reinstated by the IRS.

While it is the responsibility of chapter treasurers to maintain the chapter’s tax-exempt status, state treasurers should monitor the chapters in their state to ensure that they comply with the annual Form 990 filing requirement in a timely manner. If necessary, the state treasurer should work with chapters that are having trouble filing, do not understand the annual filing requirement, and/or are in danger of losing their tax exemption.

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Please review the “Relations with the IRS” section of the State and Chapter Finances page on the Members’ Website. Note that it includes detailed instructions for filing Form 990-N, which is the version of Form 990 that most often applies to chapters.

Sarah Potts Voll
Treasurer General

Office of the Historian General

Whether you are able to visit DAR Headquarters in person or plan to enjoy a virtual visit via your computer, the Americana Collection of early American manuscripts and imprints is on display for your exploration, providing expanded access to American history as it was lived, by real people in real times.

Three large exhibits are located in the Americana Room on the second floor of the Administration Building:

“A Mere Matter of Marching: The War of 1812 in the Americana Collection,” features documents from the collection including commissions, letters, pensions and land grants to follow the progress of the war and to portray the lives of both average soldiers and their leaders. Also featured in the exhibit on loan from the DAR Museum are a number of relevant artifacts, including weaponry and the bullet that killed Commodore Joshua Barney.

“Almost All Kinds of Work: Work and Play in a Federal-Era Diary” showcases a treasure of the Americana Collection, the 20-volume diary Sylvia Lewis of Bristol, Conn., began when she was 15 and kept as a daily record of her work and recreation until the age of 35. Sylvia’s story provides insight into early 19th-century life in Connecticut—and in frontier Ohio after her move to the Western Reserve. Extensive research conducted by DAR Museum Curator of Costumes Alden O’Brien during the past 10 years is featured.

“Dazzling Daughters: The DAR and Women’s History in America” celebrates the lives of DAR members who have made significant positive contributions to society. Beginning with its founders, the Society’s ranks have included uncommon women who achieved uncommon goals. They include first ladies and firsts in their field, actresses and adventurers, artists and authors, reformers and humanitarians, educators and engineers, doctors and nurses, and even pioneers in space. A version of this exhibit is available online as well.

Smaller, enticing exhibits are mounted in display areas close to the Americana Room. “Treasures from the NSDAR Archives: Pins of the National Society,” featuring a selection of the pins used by the DAR throughout the years, is located in the President General’s Assembly Room. For another nostalgic look at the past, visit the hallway display case just outside the Americana Room to enjoy “Wish You Were Here: Historic Postcards Featuring DAR Headquarters.”

The second hallway exhibit, titled “With the Units Overseas,” gives a view of the present, featuring items from the President General’s official visit to Europe in November 2011.

The Americana Collection online is available on the DAR Public Website at www.dar.org/americana/currexhib.cfm, where it can be enjoyed by everyone. Online exhibits are based on displays originally installed in the Americana Room in recent years.

“Signers of the Declaration of Independence” features the DAR’s much-heralded complete collection of signatures of the
signers of the Declaration of Independence. The exhibit includes a signature, portrait and short biography of each of the 56 signers.

“The Four Founders and the DAR’s Early Years” examines the lives and accomplishments of the four women who founded the DAR: Mary Desha, Mary Smith Lockwood, Ellen Harding Walworth and Eugenia Washington. Decidedly not ladies of leisure, the four founders were anything but traditional. Two were single and two were widowed; all four were working women who supported either children or extended family.

“Those Who Knew and Loved Him: The General Henry Knox Family Documents in the Americana Collection” explores the life of Revolutionary War General Henry Knox through his letters and other documents and images. The online exhibition features a selection of the materials housed in the Americana Collection.

Face-to-face or online, we hope you enjoy the diverse programs assembled for your enjoyment. Send a note to historian@dar.org and let us know what you think!

Ann A. Hunter
Historian General

Office of the Librarian General

Chapter and state librarians, please let your members know that the DAR Library has begun a new series of publications focusing on research in each of the original states during the period of the Revolution. These studies will be offered as e-books (in PDF format) and not as printed volumes. Purchasers will be able to download the entire text of each publication for use on their home computer, laptop or other electronic devices.

The first e-book in this series will be titled New York State in the American Revolution: A Handbook for Genealogists and Historians. South Carolina and Virginia will follow, and in the next two years the remaining states will appear. The series is designed to provide detailed information on the availability of manuscript and archival material that exists for each state for the period of the Revolutionary War, along with listings of historical and genealogical studies that have been published and which supplement the original sources.

In many ways, these handbooks will be very large expansions of the sections on each state that appeared in the earlier DAR publication, Is That Service Right? For example, the New York section in this older publication was only a few pages long, whereas the new handbook on New York is nearly 600 pages in length.

The New York volume probably will be available by the time you read this. Please check the Members’ Website and the Public Website for information on how to order these important new publications. Announcements of each new book will appear online and in the Daughters newsletter during the coming two years. The cost per volume will be in the $20 to $25 range.

If your chapter has not already done so, please consider purchasing the three-volume study America’s Women in the Revolutionary Era, 1760–1790: A History through Bibliography to donate to a library near you. This work is a one-of-a-kind compilation of encyclopedic length providing listings on the lives and history of American women and girls during this tumultuous period.

This set of books should be in every research library and major historical repository in the United States. Please help us to accomplish this goal. The set is available for $195 postage paid from The DAR Store. Order by phone at 1 (888) 673–2732 or online at www.dar.org/omni/store/store32.

Joan MacInnes Hunter
Librarian General

Office of the Curator General

DAR Museum Summer Camps

The 2012 summer camp season offered campers many first-time experiences, including the new Junior Historian Camp offered in collaboration with the National Park Service and President’s Park. Children ages 9 through 13 dressed in ranger gear and learned about the importance of history and its preservation through museum and park service activities. Museum activities incorporated tours of the DAR Museum and storage areas; talks by curatorial, education and collections staff; hands-on lessons about object research and reporting; and the creation of a 2-D exhibition. During park service activities, campers learned about preservation of historic structures through visits to the White House, the Octagon House and Lafayette Park. By the end of the week, campers had earned the titles of Junior Historians and Junior Rangers and received patches and badges reflecting these honors.

The 12th annual Colonial Camp, led by living history interpreter Patricia Sowers, hosted 10 dedicated campers, ages 8 through 12, and two junior camp counselors, ages 14 and 16, for a one-week session. Each year Colonial Camp
focuses on a theme; this summer’s theme was “Taking Our Ease: Colonial Children at Play.” Dressed in period costumes, campers enjoyed making and playing games that Colonial children would have played, such as quoits, graces, nine pins and marbles. They learned Colonial dances, stitched a game bag and participated in early-American food ways by making butter, brownies, biscuits, ice cream and baked chicken. Additionally, they tried their hands at performing Shakespeare under the guidance of Meredith Richard, a Washington, D.C.-based professional actress, and enjoyed a tour of the Octagon House, where they learned about the Tayloe family and played parlor games—a first for both the Octagon House and for the campers.

Overall it was a fun-filled, educational summer! Thank you to the DAR Museum staff, contractors and Camper Buddies for their support of the summer camp programs.

Office of the National Parliamentarian

This article contains information regarding important changes to the National Bylaws, a Standing Rule and a motion adopted for regular meetings of chapters.

Bylaw Amendments at the 121st Continental Congress

States and chapters are reminded of the two bylaw amendments adopted at the 121st Continental Congress. These amendments were recommended by the law firm serving the National Society and are applicable to all states and chapters. These amendments provide a clear definition of the legal responsibilities of the organization to which they apply and should be added to your bylaws. No vote is necessary at the state or chapter level since any bylaw that affects a state or chapter adopted by the National Society is automatically amended in the state and chapter bylaws.

Article XV—States, Section 1

(a) The chapters of each state and of the District of Columbia, and every country geographically outside of the United States having more than one chapter, may form a state organization which shall hold an annual state conference. The requirement of having more than one chapter in order to form a state organization shall not affect any state organization before the Continental Congress of 1955.

(b) Such state organizations, whether presently existing, in formation, or to be organized under this Article XV, shall be independent legal entities from the National Society, solely responsible in all instances, for their debts, legal obligations, liabilities, expenditures, claims made against them and any actions taken by them.

Article XIII—Chapters, Section 1

(a) For the purpose of promoting the objects of the National Society members may be organized into chapters.

(b) Such chapters, whether presently existing, in formation, or to be organized under this Article XIII, shall be independent legal entities from the National Society, solely responsible in all instances, for their debts, legal obligations, liabilities, expenditures, claims made against them and any actions taken by them.

Standing Rule: Interstate Sales

Continental Congress adopted an amendment to Standing Rule A.3 regarding the sale of work produced by a state. The word states was added to clarify the intent of the ruling that no interstate sales shall take place without authorization by the National Board of Management.

Standing Rule A.3

DAR projects or funds. States, chapters or individuals desiring the endorsement of any DAR project, or wishing to solicit funds for any DAR work outside of their own state, must do so only by authorization of the National Board of Management.

Chapter Meetings

The National Board of Management during the July 1, 2012, meeting adopted the following motion regarding chapter meetings: Chapters are required to conduct the majority of their regular meetings with members physically present at a meeting place determined by the chapter. Meetings conducted through any other means must be authorized by the chapter bylaws.

Carole D. Belcher, PRP
National Parliamentarian

Now Available
Real Daughters Book

Among the more than 875,000 women to join the Daughters of the American Revolution since its founding in 1890 are 767 women who were a single generation removed from their Revolutionary forebears. These are the Real Daughters, DAR members whose fathers contributed to America’s fight for independence. My Father Was a Soldier: The Real Daughters of the American Revolution, compiled by Tracy E. Robinson and Rebecca C. Baird of the NSDAR Office of the Historian General, collects biographical sketches of 58 of these women, and 18 of their fathers, into one volume.

To purchase My Father Was a Soldier for $25, contact The DAR Store at (888) 673–2732 or shopping@dar.org.
Where It All Began

The National Society Travels to Philadelphia to Celebrate the 225th Anniversary of the Constitution

In September, President General Merry Ann T. Wright and the Constitution Week Committee hosted a two-day trip to Philadelphia to participate in the celebration of the 225th anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution. Activities commemorating the historic events of 1787 included visits to Valley Forge National Historical Park, Independence Hall, the National Constitution Center and Historic Christ Church. For those who could not attend, these photos provide a glimpse of the momentous celebration honoring our nation’s treasured living document. An expanded account of the trip can be found in the Constitution Week Committee article on page 466.

During the Constitution Day opening ceremony at the National Constitution Center (NCC), Mrs. Wright spoke about the National Society’s role in establishing Constitution Week as an annual observance and presented a Constitution Flag of 1787 to Vince Stango, interim president and CEO of the NCC.

While visiting the National Constitution Center, the group helped Pennsylvania and Delaware Daughters hand out more than 2,000 Constitution Week Kits to schoolchildren and their teachers.

At Valley Forge National Historical Park Mrs. Wright, center, joined members of DAR, S.A.R. and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority in placing a wreath at the Monument to Patriots of African Descent. Of the more than 6,000 African-American Patriots that have been identified, as many as 500 served with General George Washington at Valley Forge.

Mrs. Wright, Constitution Week Committee National Chairman Constance Grund and Vesta Burroughs, Constitution Week Committee National Vice Chairman, 225th Anniversary of the Signing and Ratification, stand next to a wreath laid at the site of Benjamin Franklin’s grave.

Following a special naturalization ceremony, members had the opportunity to greet and congratulate several new U.S. citizens.
National Board of Management Meeting

JUNE 25 AND JULY 1, 2012

A FULL VERSION OF THE MINUTES of the National Board of Management is available online at the DAR Members’ Website 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,
JUNE 25, 2012


The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by the First Vice President General, Beverly Woodruff Jensen.

The opening prayer was offered by the Chaplain General, Laura Marcella Reid.

The Recording Secretary General, Lynn Forney Young, called the roll and recorded the following members present: National Officers: Executive Officers: Mesdames Wright, Jensen, Reid, Young, Bueno, Mann, Voll, Carpenter, A. Hunter, J. Hunter, West, and Vaughan; Vice Presidents General: Mesdames Carpenter, Stout, Ward, Bratton, Stuhlmacher, Glasgow, and Vork; Withers, Chaffin, Chastain, Caskey, Sandlin, and Grimes; and Andress, Middleton, Refior, Parks, Trader, Harris, and Kreis.


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

The Recording Secretary General reported on the approval of the minutes from the April 21, 2012, meeting of the National Board of Management. The minutes were approved by Sally Bueno, Bana Caskey, and Mary Frisch.

There being no objection, Jean Mann, Julie Stuhlmacher, and Karon Jarrard were appointed to approve the minutes of this meeting.

The President General, Merry Ann Thompson Wright, gave her report.

The First Vice President General, Beverly Woodruff Jensen, did not give a report. Her report was filed.

The Chaplain General, Laura Marcella Reid, did not give a report. Her report was filed.

The Recording Secretary General, Lynn Forney Young, did not give a report. Her report was filed.

The Corresponding Secretary General, Sally Napier Bueno, briefly presented new sales items from the DAR Store but did not give a report. Her report was filed.

The Registrar General, Patricia Eddy Carpenter, gave her report.

Report of the Registrar General
April 22, 2012–June 25, 2012

Application papers received ...............2,087
Application papers verified......................1,879
Junior Members approved ..................347
Applications reviewed date ....May 1, 2012
Applications pending as of this date ..................1,525
Application papers returned unresolved ..................8
Supplemental papers received...............1,264
Supplemental papers verified ...........1,054
Supplementals reviewed date ........November 1, 2011
Supplemental papers pending as of this date ...............4,062
Supplemental papers returned unresolved ...............83
Total number of papers (APPS and SUPPS) verified ..................2,933
Number of letters written requesting additional data needed .................708
Number of New Ancestors (APPS and SUPPS) verified ..................105
Last DAR National Number issued ..................907724

Patricia Eddy Carpenter
Registrar General

The Registrar General moved “to accept into membership in the National Society the 1,879 applicants whose records have been verified by the Registrar General.” Adopted.

The Organizing Secretary General, Jean Dixon Mann, moved “the reinstatement of 115 members.” Adopted.

The Organizing Secretary General gave her report.

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Report of the Organizing Secretary General

Deceased .................................................. 529
(April 20 through June 21, 2012)
Resigned .................................................. 150
(April 20 through June 21, 2012)
Reinstatements .......................................... 115
(April 21 through June 25, 2012)

Through the state regent the following member at large is presented for appointment as organizing regent: Vickie C. Lunden, Valley Center, California.

Through the state regent has come a request to grant an exception of time in a term of office for a six-year chapter regent: Patricia C. Carr, Major Benjamin May Chapter, Farmville, North Carolina.

Through their respective state regents have come requests to grant an exception of time in a one-year term of office for a six-year chapter regent: Lynn S. Hinckley, Anne Wood Elderkin Chapter, Willimantic, Connecticut; Rose L. Crane, Wellsboro Chapter, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania.

Through their respective state regents have come requests to grant a member having held membership in a chapter less than one year to serve a term in office as a chapter regent: Gail M. Pickett, Ozark Chapter, Ozark, Alabama; Bonnie Lou Gentry, White Tank Mountains Chapter, Surprise, Arizona; Bonnie L. McGill, Yuma Chapter, Yuma, Arizona; Marcia T. Rowbottom, Alfred Moore Chapter, Southern Pines, North Carolina.

Through their respective state regents have come requests to grant members having held membership in a chapter less than one year to serve a term in office as chapter first vice regent: Jan S. Hatwell, St. James Chapter, Westminster, United Kingdom.

Through the state regent has come a request for a chapter location change: Francois de Lery Chapter from Arabi to Metairie, Louisiana.

The following chapters have met all the requirements for merging and are now presented for confirmation: Mary Floyd Tallmadge and Salisbury Arsenal Chapters, name is Mary Floyd Tallmadge, location is Litchfield, Connecticut; Boca Ciega and Saint Helena Plantation Chapters, name is Boca Ciega, location is St. Petersburg, Florida; Andrew Bogle and James White Chapters, name is Andrew Bogle, location is Knoxville, Tennessee.

The following chapters are presented for official disbandment: Kuilka, Shelbyville, Illinois; Stone Corral, Lyons, Kansas; Windmill, Lubbock, Texas.

The following chapters are presented for automatic disbandment: Swatara Pine Ford, Middletown, Pennsylvania; Port Washington, Port Washington, Wisconsin.

The following chapters have met all the requirements according to the National Bylaws and are now presented for confirmation: Diamond, Texarkana, Arkansas; Old Noonday, Roswell, Georgia; Olde Towne, Logansport, Indiana; Increase Carpenter, Queens, New York.

Jean Dixon Mann
Organizing Secretary General

The Organizing Secretary General moved “the appointment of one (1) organizing regent; exception of time in a term of office for one (1) six-year chapter regent; exception of time in a one-year term of office for two (2) six-year chapter regents; exception for members having membership less than a year in a chapter to serve a term in office for four (4) chapter regents; exception for members having membership less than a year in a chapter to serve a term in office for twelve (12) chapter first vice regents; location change for one (1) chapter; merging of six (6) chapters; official disbandment of three (3) chapters; automatic disbandment of two (2) chapters; confirmation of four (4) chapters.” Adopted.

The Treasurer General, Sarah Potts Voll, did not give a report. Her report was filed.

The National Chairman of the Auditing Committee, Nelly Shearer, gave her report.

The National Chairman of the Finance Committee, Sherry Edwards, gave her report.

The Historian General, Ann Arnold Hunter, did not give a report. Her report was filed.

The Librarian General, Joan MacInnes Hunter, did not give a report. Her report was filed.

The Curator General, Beverly Dardene West, did not give a report. Her report was filed.

The Reporter General, Jean Whatley Vaughan, did not give a report. Her report was filed.

The Recording Secretary General, Lynn Forney Young, gave the report of the Executive Committee.
Report of the Executive Committee

It is a pleasure to report on the activities of the Executive Committee this week. Despite the warm weather, the Executive Committee was very busy preparing for Continental Congress. Presentations were given by the Administrator, Controller, Human Resources Director, Auditing Chairman, Finance Chairman and Development Director. We were delighted with the results of the renovation of the first lay light and encourage you to see it in the Pennsylvania Foyer.

Distributions from the Friends of the DAR Schools Fund this week include: Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, $27,000; Tamassee DAR School, $18,840; Berry College, $11,000; Crossnore School, $10,764; Hillside School, $18,250; and Hindman Settlement School, $15,000.

Distributions from the Anna May Hamilton Bequest includes: Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, $8,953; and Tamassee DAR School, $13,169.

Quarterly distribution from the Ella Atwell Fund includes: Tamassee DAR School, $27,260; Crossnore School, $16,130; and Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, $11,130.

The total amount distributed this week to the DAR Schools is $177,496.

At the request of the DAR Project Patriot Committee, we will purchase 1,000 DAR logo 120-minute phone cards for distribution to deploying service members at Camp Atterbury, Indiana, as well as clothing for the Wounded Warrior & Family Support Center at Brooke Army Medical Center, and the Warrior Transitional Brigade at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. The total value of the gifts is $18,700.

The Executive Committee approved the request of the Junior Membership Committee to distribute $194,871 to the DAR Schools from the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund. Approval was also granted for the Junior Membership Committee to publish a history of the 75 years of the committee.

A minimum grade point average of 3.25 will be required for the following renewable scholarships: Dr. Aura-Lee A. Pittenger and James Hobbs Pittenger American History Scholarship; Alice W. Rooke Scholarship; Irene and Daisy MacGregor Memorial Scholarship; and Lillian and Arthur Dunn Scholarship.

Applicants for the American Indian Scholarships will be required to have a minimum 3.25 grade point average.

The DAR Museum will loan a fragment sample of the curtains which hung in the White House when it was burned by the British during the War of 1812 to James Madison’s Montpelier for display during an exhibition of the War of 1812, July 2, 2012–January 2, 2013.

In addition, $43,000 in scholarships was awarded at this meeting.

Please be advised that on June 3, 2012, a Daughter filed a grievance against our President General, Merry Ann Wright, alleging that she has disturbed the harmony of NSDAR by removing the name of Jesus Christ from the Ritual and Missal. Mrs. Wright strongly disagrees with this assertion but, because she has been named, has recused herself from consideration of the filing and asked the Executive Committee to handle the matter, with the First Vice President General presiding when it is considered. We have asked our counsel, Stu Ross, to provide legal advice and have met with him on two occasions. We will eventually report to the National Board on our findings and recommendations.

Lynn Forney Young
Recording Secretary General

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

To recommend to the National Board of Management to recommend to the 121st Continental Congress to amend Standing Rule A.3 by inserting States, at the beginning of the sentence before “Chapters.”

Standing Rule A.3 would then read: “DAR Projects or funds. States, chapters or individuals desiring the endorsement of any DAR project, or wishing to solicit funds for any DAR work outside of their own state, must do so only by authorization of the National Board of Management.”

Rationale: Clarification of the intent of the ruling that no interstate sales shall take place without authorization. Adopted.

To approve the following dates for meetings of the National Board of Management and Continental Congress for 2017, 2018, and 2019:

2017: February, Saturday, January 28–Saturday, February 4; April, Saturday, April 1–Saturday, April 8; June, Saturday, June 17–Saturday, June 24; Congress, Sunday, June 25–Monday, July 3 (Opening Night Wednesday, June 28); October, Saturday, September 30–Saturday, October 7; December, Saturday, December 2–Saturday, December 9.

2018: February, Saturday, January 27–Saturday, February 3; April, Saturday, April 7–Saturday, April 14; June, Saturday, June 16–Saturday, June 23; Congress, Sunday, June 24–Monday, July 2 (Opening Night Wednesday, June 27); October, Saturday, September 29–Saturday, October 6; December, Saturday, December 1–Saturday, December 8.

2019: February, Saturday, January 26–Tuesday, February 5 (Executive Orientation); April, Saturday, April 6–Saturday, April 13; June, Saturday, June 15–Saturday, June 22; Congress, Sunday, June 23–Friday, July 5 (Opening Night Wednesday, June 26); October, Saturday, October 5 Saturday, October 12; December, Saturday, December 7–Saturday, December 14.

Rationale: The hotels require dates to be contracted at this time in order to hold the space for a convention the size of Continental Congress. Adopted.
To grant permission to chapters to conduct emergency meetings by electronic media provided such authorization is stated in the chapter bylaws. Chapters are required to conduct the majority of their regular meetings with members physically present at a meeting place determined by the chapter.

Rationale: Development of friendships and association with women with common ideals is part of the foundation of NSDAR and its allied chapters. Electronic/virtual meetings do not allow for members to personally know prospective members, a requirement of the National Bylaws, and limit member participation in chapter projects. Most chapter business and/or projects must be conducted corporately, i.e., secret balloting for new members and election of officers.

After discussion by the Board, an amendment to the recommendation was moved to insert only between “conduct” and “emergency” and to change i.e. to e.g. Maker: Martha Barnhart, Second: Joy Hagg. The amendment to the recommendation was adopted.

Following additional discussion, it was moved “that the recommendation be referred back to committee for further discussion.” Maker: Janet Whittington, Second: Virginia Spiller. This motion was adopted, and the recommendation was returned to the Executive Committee for further discussion and consideration.

To accept the original artwork submitted by Hamilton Jewelers for a Friends of Property Maintenance pin. The pin is to be placed on the official ribbon in accordance with the current document for placement of insignia and pins. Adopted.


Rationale: To make this tool available to researchers beyond the District of Columbia through sales to historical societies, individuals, and libraries.

Note: The foreword for the book shall read: “The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), founded in 1890, incorporated by an Act of Congress and headquartered in Washington, D.C., is a nonprofit, nonpolitical volunteer women’s hereditary service organization united in its mission of Historic Preservation, Education and Patriotism. The District of Columbia State Society (D.C.DAR) was organized as one of the state societies of the NSDAR in 1901. In honor of the Bicentennial of the Constitution in 1989, the D.C.DAR undertook to create a publication celebrating the wives of the signers of the Constitution of the USA. *Women of the Constitution: Wives of the Signers* is the fruit of many years of research, writing and editing by countless dedicated members of the D.C. State Society.”

Attachment on file in the Office of the Recording Secretary General. Adopted.

The next business in order was reports from national chairmen.

The Chairman of the Development Committee, Cynthia Buttorff, gave her report.

The Chairman of the Property Beautification and Hospitality Committee, Peggy Grieve, gave her report.

The Chairman of the DAR School Committee, Donna Raymond, gave her report.

The next business in order was announcements.

The President General announced that if there was no objection and the Board luncheon ended early, the July 1, 2012, meeting of the National Board of Management would begin earlier than the scheduled two o’clock.

The Vice Presidents General class of 2012 made a special presentation to the President General and presented a donation of $1,000 to the Lay Light Project.

On behalf of the 2011–2012 State Regents, Mrs. Thorne-Sulima presented a check for $11,020 for the Lay Light Project to the President General.

The Chaplain General gave a closing and luncheon prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Lynn Forney Young
Recording Secretary General

Minutes Approved, June 25, 2012
Jean Mann
Julie Stuhlmacher
Karon Jarrard

NATIONAL BOARD OF MANAGEMENT,
JULY 1, 2012

A REGULAR MEETING of the National Board of Management, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution convened in the National Officers Club Assembly Room, Constitution Hall, Washington, D.C., at 1:27 p.m. on July 1, 2012, President General Merry Ann Thompson Wright presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by the First Vice President General, Beverly Woodruff Jensen.

The opening prayer was offered by the Chaplain General, Laura Marcella Reid.

The Recording Secretary General, Lynn Forney Young, called the roll and recorded the following members present: National Officers: Executive Officers: Mesdames Wright, Jensen, Reid, Young, Bueno, Mann, Voll, Carpenter, A. Hunter, J. Hunter, West, and Vaughan; Vice Presidents General: Mesdames Withers, Chaffin, Chastain, Caskey, Sandlin, and Grimes; Andress, Middleton, Refior, Parks, Trader, Harris, and Kreis; and Hamill, Horton, Toone, Thompson, Makant, Thorne-Sulima, and Hagg.

State Regents: Mesdames Grund, Micol, Koelling, Cooper, Jamison, Crafton, Frampton, Rogers, Cullen, Lingelbach,

State Vice Regents: Staley and Frizzell.
The President General introduced the National Parliamentarian, Carole D. Belcher, PRP.
The Recording Secretary General reported on the approval of the minutes from the June 25, 2012, meeting of the National Board of Management. The minutes were approved by Jean Mann, Julie Stuhl macher, and Karon Jarrard.

There being no objection, Patricia Carpenter, Sharon Withers, and Marjorie Frampton were appointed to approve the minutes of this meeting.

The Registrar General, Patricia Eddy Carpenter, gave her report.

Report of the Registrar General

June 26–July 1, 2012

Application papers received .......... 331
Application papers verified ........... 306
Junior Members approved ............... 47
Applications reviewed
  date............................. May 11, 2012
Applications pending as of
  this date ......................... 1,786
Application papers returned
  unresolved.......................... 0
Supplemental papers received ......... 190
Supplemental papers verified ......... 124
Supplemental papers reviewed
  date.............................. November 10, 2011
Supplemental papers pending as of
  this date.......................... 4,117
Supplemental papers returned
  unresolved.......................... 0
Total number of papers (APPS and SUPPS) verified .... 430
Number of letters written requesting
  additional data needed .............. 73

The Registrar General moved “to accept into membership in the National Society the 306 applicants whose records have been verified by the Registrar General.” Adopted.

The Organizing Secretary General, Jean Dixon Mann, gave her report.

Report of the Organizing Secretary General

Madam President General, through their respective state regents the following members at large are presented for appointment as organizing regents: Susan A. Harmon, La Porte, Colorado; Bonnell W. Lashley, Bogart, Georgia; Jennifer R. Fleischmann, Smithville, Missouri.

Through the state regent has come a request for a chapter to be authorized in: Shoreview, Minnesota.

Through their respective state regents have come requests to grant members having held membership in a chapter less than one year to serve a term in office as chapter first vice regent: Carolyn S. Gober, White Tank Mountains Chapter, Surprise, Arizona; Rachel G. Gronsky, Lakota Chapter, Auburn, Washington.

Through the state regent has come a request for chapter location change: General Josiah Tattnall Chapter from Claxton to Reidsville, Georgia.

The following chapters have met all the requirements for merging and are now presented for confirmation: Mary Kelton Dummer-Patience Stanley and Samuel Grant; name will be Samuel Grant-Mary Kelton Dummer; location is Gardiner, Maine.

Jean Dixon Mann
Organizing Secretary General

The Organizing Secretary General moved “the appointment of three (3) organizing regents; the authorization of one (1) chapter; exception for a member having membership less than a year in a chapter to serve a term of office for two (2) chapter first vice regents; location change for one (1) chapter; merging of two (2) chapters.” Adopted.

The Recording Secretary General presented the report of the Executive Committee.

Report of the Executive Committee

Please be advised that on June 3, 2012, a Daughter filed a grievance against our President General, Merry Ann Wright, alleging that she has disturbed the harmony of NSDAR by removing the name of Jesus Christ from the Ritual and Missal. Mrs. Wright strongly disagrees with this assertion but, because she has been named, has recused herself from consideration of the filing and asked the Executive Committee to handle the matter, with the First Vice President General presiding when it is considered. We have asked our counsel, Stu Ross, to provide legal advice and have met with him on two occasions. We will eventually report to the National Board on our findings and recommendations.

Lynn Forney Young
Recording Secretary General

The Recording Secretary General presented a recommendation from the Executive Committee.

“To require chapters to conduct the majority of their regular meetings with members physically present at a meeting place determined by the chapter. Meetings conducted through any other means must be authorized by the chapter bylaws.

Rationale: Development of friendships and association with women with common ideals is part of the foundation of NSDAR and its allied chapters. Electronic/virtual meetings do not allow for members...
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to personally know prospective members, a requirement of the National Bylaws, and limit member participation in chapter projects. Most chapter business and/or projects must be conducted corporately, e.g., secret balloting for new members and election of officers.” Adopted.

The President General shared with the National Board the sad news of the passing of Vice President General Archer’s husband the previous week.

She also made an announcement regarding the tentative schedule for the events surrounding the October 2012 National Board of Management meeting for the planning purposes of National Board members.

The Chaplain General gave the closing prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

Lynn Forney Young
Recording Secretary General

Minutes Approved, July 1, 2012
Patricia Carpenter
Sharon Withers
Marjorie Frampton

Financial Development

Sharing the Holiday Spirit:
End of Year Giving

AS THE HOLIDAY SEASON approaches, many of us are looking for ways to give back. Making a year-end gift has many benefits due to the closing of the tax season, and many people appreciate being able to help a charity while being financially savvy. Please keep in mind the benefits of supporting the programs of NSDAR, which continue the legacy of our Founding Fathers by promoting historic preservation, education and patriotism.

Below are just a few tips on how you can give back this winter season.

• Keep it simple—give through cash, credit card or check. Support NSDAR while receiving the maximum charitable income tax deduction available. You may even want to make a gift that you were planning to make next year in order to create a larger income tax deduction for yourself this year. Grouping gifts is a useful way to take advantage of an itemized tax return every other year. Take the time to do some planning while you still have the opportunity to make a year-end gift.

• Tidy up your financial “house”—review your stocks. If you’re looking to trim your portfolio, a gift of stock may be the answer. By giving NSDAR the stock to sell, you’ll avoid incurring capital gains tax and receive a charitable deduction for the full amount of the stock, just as you would if your gift were made with cash.

• Give a present and receive a gift—consider a life income gift. The National Society offers a variety of life income plans to fit your needs. The gift that keeps on giving enables you to transfer cash or other securities to NSDAR and receive generous regular payments. You can make a gift now, obtain the tax benefits, and regularly receive generous fixed payments determined by age, interest rates and other factors. Each payment is usually free of federal income tax, making this the perfect gift for someone on a fixed income.

• Create a gift today that you give tomorrow—establish a trust. By placing your assets in a trust, the assets can be sold without incurring capital gains tax. The full amount of the proceeds excluding closing costs can be invested to provide a flow of income directly to you. Each year the trust will be revalued, and an annual percentage will be distributed to you in regular payouts. At the end of the trust, the remaining funds become a gift to NSDAR.

• Don’t make major “purchases” alone—talk to your advisor. Before making any significant gift to DAR or any other nonprofit, you should have your CPA, attorney or other advisor help you understand the impact of your gift on your income tax return and estate. Your giving should be emotionally and financially beneficial. The sooner you can begin making your gift arrangements, the greater the likelihood that your gift will be received before December 31.

Please contact the Office of Development at 1 (800) 449–1776 or development@dar.org for more information. Your mailed donation must be postmarked on or before December 31, 2012, to count for 2012 tax purposes.

On behalf of NSDAR, the Office of Development would like to wish you a happy holiday season!
Office of the Corresponding Secretary General

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The National Society’s Special Projects Grants program was met with an overwhelming response in its second year. Nearly 200 grant proposals were received from nonprofit organizations across the country, each one hoping to win one of these matching fund grants created to support local projects related to historic preservation, education and patriotism. Of the submitted proposals, 123 met the qualifications for judging. The highly competitive selection process that ensued awarded approximately $246,000 to 41 projects in 26 states and the United Kingdom, bringing the total amount awarded during the first two years of the Wright Administration to $425,000.

Funding for the Special Projects Grants is provided by the President General’s Project, which is supported by member donations. The 2012–2013 class of grant recipients includes 21 historic preservation projects that received $113,595 in funding to help preserve documents, revitalize cemeteries and restore historic sites. Educational programs were awarded $96,870, divided among 14 projects aimed at affording students increased access to teaching aids, education centers and mentoring programs. Six grants totaling $35,490 were awarded in support of projects related to patriotism, such as flag preservation and veterans’ programs. It will be exciting to see how these latest grants enrich communities by helping local nonprofit organizations reinforce the founding tenets of the National Society.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Meanwhile, projects that received DAR Special Projects Grants in the first year of the program, 2011–2012, have been completed, and there are many highlights to share. Historic preservation grants have restored local historic sites and features that otherwise may have continued to deteriorate past the point of rehabilitation. For example, the Austin Woman’s Club received $6,245 to fund the first phase of an effort to restore the 17 original custom-designed, stained-glass features at Chateau Bellevue, which dates to 1874 and now serves as a meeting place for many clubs and civic organizations, including the Thankful Hubbard Chapter, Austin, Texas. The stained-glass pieces, including windows, doors, transoms and a lay light, were cleaned, repaired and reinforced.

Another grant enabled the Portage County Historical Society to replace the roof of the Historic Fire House No. 2 in Stevens Point, Wis., and reconstruct its bell tower according to the original specifications. The historic firehouse, built in 1885, is the oldest surviving municipal building in Stevens Point. In the intervening years the roof deteriorated and the bell tower was torn down, but following the restoration the firehouse once again appears as it did when it was first built.

Historic buildings are not the only artifacts of the past that require preservation. A $4,000 grant enabled the Huntsville Library Foundation of Huntsville, Ala., to digitize city council meeting minutes and church records, some of which date to the mid-19th century.

EDUCATION

Educational grants afford a new opportunity for the National Society to inspire a love of learning in the nation’s schoolchildren by providing access to exciting programs and resources. One of the DAR-supported schools, the Hindman Settlement School in Hindman, Ky., was among the recipients awarded an educational grant in the inaugural year of the program. The school received $5,000 to fund its participation in the Folk Arts Education Program Visiting Artists Series. Artist-illustrator Jessie Ray Sims works in various mediums to show both students and teachers the vital connections between science, math and art, unlocking students’ creativity in the process. Sims discussed the history of the mural as an art form and emphasized the use of math when designing the layout of the painting. Ten students worked on a unique mural
depicting scenes from traditional Appalachian Jack tales.

Elementary school students visiting the Orange County Historical Museum in Hillsborough, N.C., now can enjoy the interactive heritage program “Life as a Revolutionary War Soldier,” funded by a $637.50 grant. As a costumed history interpreter explains what life was like for a Revolutionary soldier, children take turns examining replicas of items a typical soldier would have used, including a tin mug, musket balls, a signal whistle and a Brown Bess flintlock dummy gun.

Patriotism

By funding projects related to patriotism, NSDAR helps to foster a sense of national pride and to honor the men and women who protect our country’s freedom. The nonprofit organization Raise the Flag received $3,100 to purchase 250 American flags, which now fly proudly in and around Savannah, Tenn.

In Florida, a $2,000 grant enabled the Fort Walton Beach Woman’s Club to install its own public tribute to patriotic sacrifice. The club placed a bronze plaque at the Northwest Florida Regional Airport to honor the service of women in the military. The plaque was dedicated on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7, 2011.

These worthy projects serve as tangible, grassroots examples of the lofty ideals of historic preservation, education and patriotism that the National Society strives to promote. For a complete list of Special Projects Grants awarded since the program’s inception, visit www.dar.org/grants.

Sponsor a Deserving Grant Applicant!

THE DAR SPECIAL PROJECTS GRANTS PROGRAM, now in its third year, currently is accepting applications from nonprofit 501 (c)(3) entities. Do you know a worthy charitable project that could benefit from DAR funding? Reach out to local nonprofit organizations to make them aware of the DAR Special Projects Grants program. Find more information, as well as a downloadable grant application and the DAR Grants brochure, at www.dar.org/grants.

Grant proposals must be postmarked by February 1, 2013, to be considered for the 2013–2014 year.
Support the DAR Museum Exhibition Fund
(All proceeds benefit the DAR Museum.)

Order a gift from the DAR Museum Shop and have it sent with a gift card to you or the intended recipient. If you don’t see something you like below, in past newsletters or on our website, please call us at (202) 879–3208. We would be happy to guide you through our other gift giving selections.

ORDERING INFORMATION
To place an order, please call the DAR Museum Shop at (202) 879–3208 or e-mail museumshop@dar.org, Monday through Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Eastern. Shipping rates vary based on the size of the order and will be determined when the order is placed. Applicable tax will be added to the listed prices. To view other items sold at the shop, please visit our website at www.dar.org/omni/store/MuseumShop.cfm.

Eagle Quilt Box: New and only at the DAR Museum Shop, this wooden keepsake box includes a porcelain tile depicting the counterpane bedspread made by 80-year-old Margaret English Dodge of Brooklyn, N.Y., in 1864. She made another in silk that was presented to President Abraham Lincoln. The silk bedspread is now lost, but the DAR Museum has preserved the cotton version depicted on the box. Measures 5 inches square and 2 inches deep.—$28.99

Emblem of America Ornament: This beautiful, two-sided metal ornament is adapted from a silk needlework picture in the DAR Museum collection created by then-15-year-old Eliza Camp of Durham, Conn., in 1810. It features the symbolic figure “America.” Measures 2½ inches in diameter.—$16.95

Quilt Scarf: This beautiful blue-and-white, rectangular silk scarf is based upon the design of the oldest quilt in the DAR Museum collection, which is pictured as the June quilt in the 2012 DAR calendar. Measures approximately 54 inches by 10 inches.—$65

Music of the War of 1812 in America by Kate Van Winkle Keller: This 246-page, spiral-bound book, complete with bibliography and index, contains 33 songs set to music, 22 instrumentals and 34 additional lyrics or parts. It also includes sheet music with words and music, essays, teaching suggestions, and background information. Book—$30; Music CD (two-disc set)—$16

Liberty in the Form of a Goddess Ornament: This beautiful, two-sided metal ornament is adapted from a silk needlework picture that was probably embroidered between 1810 and 1815 and is featured in the DAR Museum Collection. It features the figure of “Liberty” with an eagle. Measures 2½ inches in diameter.—$16.95
American Heritage

Rules for all Fiber Arts categories have been rewritten for increased clarity. Please consult the revisions on the Fiber Arts page in the American Heritage Committee section of the Members’ Website soon if you are planning to enter any Fiber Arts category this year.

The main clarification relates to the use of commercially available patterns. These patterns may be used, but the entrant is expected to select the fabrics, yarns, trims, colors and so forth herself in order to create her personal, one-of-a-kind creation. Kits are NOT to be used in any category. Entries made from kits will be disqualified. Extra points will be given when all design work is done entirely by the member submitting the piece. For example, when a member designs her own counted cross stitch chart for her original design rather than using a commercially available chart, her piece will be awarded extra points at the judges’ discretion.

Be sure to include lots of details when you write the required short essay to accompany your entry form. Explain your creative process and provide any unusual details, techniques or background information that might be helpful. Be sure to clearly express how your piece fits the theme. The essay is not judged on creative writing, but points are awarded based on the information you supply, so don’t hold back! Let us know how you did it!

Pauline T. Bartow
National Chairman

American History

Essay Contests

It was thrilling to see the national American History and Christopher Columbus essay contest winners honored in Washington, D.C., during the 121st Continental Congress! It all begins on the chapter level with enthusiastic and energetic members who make the necessary contacts to give students the opportunity to participate and win. As they take part, students not only research and learn more about the Revolutionary War period, they also practice writing research papers, which will help them in the future. Congratulations to all who helped this year and encouraged children to appreciate their rich heritage. Let’s continue to work hard to offer students in all schools across the country the rewarding opportunity to participate.

Now is the time to plan ways to honor your chapter and state winners as soon as they are announced. Chapters may show their support and pleasure by hosting special meetings, receptions or luncheons and inviting students, parents and teachers. Presenting flags, books, special coins, monetary awards and framed certificates are just a few ways chapters can highlight the importance of these contests. Each presentation is an opportunity to secure much-deserved publicity. In particular, presentations at awards ceremonies encourage winners, gratify parents and inspire other students.

Women in American History

Look around your community, including within your chapter, to find a woman who has made a difference in our country and deserves to receive the Women in American History Award. This is not a contest. Go to the committee website at http://members.dar.org/committees/history/index.htm to read about other deserving women who have received this award. Certificates and medals are available at The DAR Store. After presenting the award, please remember to submit the form, available at http://members.dar.org/committees/history/forms.htm. To make it a real celebration, host a reception or invite the recipient to a chapter meeting. Include her family members and, of course, take pictures for the newspaper.

God bless you for your continued service and commitment to Preserve the Past, Enhance the Present and Invest in the Future through your work in our wonderful American History Committee.

Janeal N. Shannon
National Chairman

American Indians

As the last year of the Wright Administration is upon us, my wish is for all chapters to take this committee into consideration while planning their chapter work. Any monetary gifts to Bacone College and Chemawa Indian School are certainly welcome. Go to each school’s website to learn about specific needs. Chemawa’s big event of the year is the Christmas party for the students. For some, it is the only Christmas celebration they will have.

The deadline to apply for the American Indian Scholarships has changed to February 15. Be sure the applicants have the most current applications as several changes have been made.

The American Indian Youth Camps are encouraging states, chapters and individuals to help with the camper fees. If you are interested in this project, please contact camp director Pat Gordon. Her address is on the committee website.

The American Indians Committee theme this year is “Beating Our Drums,” so get to “Beating Your Drums” and make this committee proud.

Ellen K. White
National Chairman

Chapter Achievement Awards

All chapters are urged to complete their 2012S Chapter Achievement Awards form by logging onto e-Membership at any time, but no later than February 1, 2013, at midnight. Chapters are reminded that the reporting period is March 1 through December 31, 2012. By using e-Membership, chapters no longer need to print any forms, obtain signatures, copy the signed document or mail report forms.

Chapters requiring assistance with this process should contact their CAA state

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chairman as soon as possible. Instructions for completing the form can be found on the “CAA—Electronic” tab in e-Membership. All information saved and tallied by chapters on the eCAA form will be downloadable for all state chairmen.

Please note: Chapter point totals are not final until state treasurers confirm all financial contributions in Section 3 and the verification process is completed by state chairmen and national division vice chairmen. Chapters with questions about this process should contact their respective state chairmen.

The members of the Chapter Achievement Awards Committee—including state chairmen, national division vice chairmen and this chairman—are available to assist any chapters as needed.

LeAnn F. Turbyfill
National Chairman

Commemorative Events

What is the most exciting commemorative event your chapter has planned for this year? If you are looking for ideas, the committee webpage offers several program suggestions for you at http://members.dar.org/committees/events/success.htm. These successful programs have been shared by DAR members. Other up-to-date information about commemorative events can also be found on the site.

Are you coming to Washington soon? There is a wonderful exhibit at the Smithsonian’s National Portrait Gallery titled “1812: A Nation Emerges.” The exhibition will be on display until January 27, 2013. If you are not planning a trip to D.C., you may also visit the exhibit on the web at http://www.npg.si.edu/exhibit/1812/. Bookmark http://www.npg.si.edu/ for other educational and historical exhibits from the National Portrait Gallery.

The Commemorative Events Committee is looking forward to receiving your reports this year. We would love to have pictures of your commemorative events for an exhibit at Congress. Send reports to your national division vice chairman. Have a great year!

Ann S. Crider
National Chairman

Constitution Week

The Constitution Week Committee thanks all the members, chapters, districts and states that have worked so hard to make the 225th Anniversary of the United States Constitution such a special milestone. Members have gone into schools, town meetings, libraries, city halls, scout meetings, fire stations, state fairs, even appeared on cable TV and hosted luncheons sharing the message of the longest-lasting written constitution in the world.

In this, the 225th anniversary year of the United States Constitution, the National Society has led the way in hosting celebrations and observances that paid tribute to the historical events leading up to the Constitutional Convention. The history of the document and the framers has been taught, and remembered, so another generation will revere the work and sacrifice of the men who worked tirelessly in the Pennsylvania Statehouse from May until September 17, 1787, when the Constitution was finally complete and signed by 39 weary delegates, guided by George Washington, president of the convention.

The President General and the Constitution Week Committee hosted a two-day meeting in Philadelphia to commemorate the historic events of 1787. The group visited Valley Forge to attend a service in the Washington Memorial Chapel, built in honor of the service of George Washington, and heard a concert performed on the carillon, housed in the National Patriot’s Bell Tower, which was built with funds raised by the NSDAR. A wreath was laid at the Monument to Patriots of African Descent in Valley Forge National Park.

The group spent Constitution Day at the National Constitution Center attending a naturalization service, handing out Constitution Kits to schoolchildren and presenting a Constitution flag. A visit to historic Christ Church included the laying of wreaths in honor of Pierce Butler, Jacob Broom, Benjamin Franklin, Robert Morris and James Wilson, all signers of the Constitution. (To see photos from these special events, turn to page 454.)

Please record your activities on the Master Questionnaire. Thank you for honoring the Constitution of the United States of America.

Constance H. Grund
National Chairman

Continental Congress

Plans for the 122nd Continental Congress are well under way. The results from the survey of the 121st Continental Congress have been reviewed, and many of the suggestions and concerns have been addressed. Every effort has been made to incorporate these ideas and changes so that the Congress experience will be both informative and pleasurable for those attending Continental Congress in 2013.

If you wish to work on a Congressional Committee, you must notify your State Regent of your willingness to serve by January 1, 2013. Your State Regent will forward your request to the Office of the President General. In late February, the President General will issue invitations to serve on a Congressional Committee.

It is not too early to elect delegates for the 122nd Continental Congress, which will be held June 26–30, 2013. Credentials will be sent out in late February and must be returned to the Office of the Organizing Secretary General by April 15, 2013. Don’t procrastinate! You don’t want to lose your voting privileges because your Credentials form was not signed properly and returned on time.

If you are coming to Congress for the first time, watch for online orientation opportunities that will answer some of your many questions. Talk to your DAR
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friends who have been to Congress before. Learn about the forums and social events open to all members that will give you the opportunity to learn about the National Society.

Everyone, not just first-time attendees, should be in the know. Check the Congress website (http://members.dar.org/congress) for the most up-to-date announcements and information about this annual event.

Congress is a wonderful experience! It is a time for learning about the outstanding work of the National Society. It is a time for renewing friendships and making new ones. It is a time for you to enhance the future of your Society with renewed commitment and service. Make plans to have a Congress experience. We hope to see many of you at the 122nd Continental Congress.

Emily T. Richardson
National Chairman

DAR Genealogy Preservation

Have you heard about the Supporting Documentation Project? The project started in September 2011 with more than 6 million documents to categorize. We have about 1 million done, but we need your help! Can you spare an hour a week? Many hands make a workload lighter.

The work is done at home on the computer. No special software is needed. Images are assigned as the volunteer requests an assignment. The committee does not determine which images are indexed by a certain patriot or member. Each image will be indexed twice. The selected categories will be overlaid and any differences will be resolved.

Instructions are provided on the committee website: http://members.dar.org/committees/preservation/index.htm. Please read the instructions for an explanation of the categories.

After reviewing the instructions, e-mail us at darprojects@dar.org to get started. The project is done through e-Membership. Each volunteer will be notified when access has been given. Volunteers will sign a nondisclosure form electronically the first time they log in.

Work can be credited for the DAR Genealogy Preservation pin and bar. Volunteers keep their own record log. A sample is available on the committee website.

We hope you will join us in this very important project.

Danna C. Koelling
National Chairman

DAR Scholarship

The winner of the Dr. Aura-Lee A. Pittenger and James Hobbs Pittenger American History Scholarship is Claire McLeish of Manchester Center, Vt. Claire has discovered a deep love for history, government and United Nations classes, and she wishes to achieve degrees in history and international relations.

The students who were recipients of the 2012 NSDAR scholarships are: Enid Hall Griswold Memorial Scholarship, Natalie Ray, Pensacola, Fla.; DAR Centennial Scholarship, Rebecca P. Robinson, Franklin, Tenn.; Lucinda Beneventi Findley History Scholarship, Michael P. Goodear, Davenport, Iowa; Caroline E. Holt Nursing Scholarship, Leslie Lim, Lynn, Mass., Savannah Davis, Queensbury, N.Y., and Caitlin Zako, Hollister, Calif.; Mildred Nutting Nursing Scholarship, Natalie Stam, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Occupational Therapy Scholarship, Sara Elizabeth Peterson, Spokane, Wash., and Brianne M. Williams, Neenah, Wis.; Lillian and Arthur Dunn Scholarship, Megan Moore, Winchester, Tenn.; Madeline Pickett Halbert Cogswell Nursing Scholarship, Melissa McMurry Saccucci, Glencoe, Ala.; Michael T. and Mary L. Cloyd Scholarship, Allison Cloyd, Elmhurst, N.Y.; Irene and Daisy MacGregor Scholarship, Laura M. Sherwood, Ooltewah, Tenn.; Dr. Francis Anthony Beneventi Medical Scholarship, Jon Caleb Hildebrand, Johnson City, Tenn.; Margaret Howard Hamilton Scholarship, William Mecham, Sapulpa, Okla.; Nellie Love Butcher Music Scholarship, Katherine Martucci, West Hurley, N.Y.; Arthur Lockwood Beneventi Law Scholarship, Timothy Chapman, South Bend, Ind.; Mary Elizabeth Lockwood Beneventi MBA Scholarship, Valerie Stimac, Indianapolis, Ind.; Edward G. and Helen A. Borgens Elementary Teacher Education Scholarship, Jessica Scheel, North Fond du Lac, Wis.; and Edward G. and Helen A. Borgens Secondary Teacher Education Scholarship, Janet McMurrnan, Harrison, Ark.

State chairmen should be aware the NSDAR will sponsor a new scholarship for 2013! The Richard and Elizabeth Dean Scholarship is a new $5,000-per-year, four-year scholarship offered to high-school seniors with a GPA of 3.75, who maintain a college GPA of 3.25. The application form and State Chairman and Chapter Information Sheet have again been improved. The deadline for all applications is February 15, 2013. Chapter and state chairmen should contact local high schools and colleges to inform them of the multiple NSDAR scholarships available for students. Please check the Members’ Website for all the new changes.

Sharon C. Nettles
National Chairman

DAR Service for Veterans

Veterans Day on November 11 is a special time to honor our veterans and show them how much we appreciate them and the sacrifices they made to ensure our freedom. I hope you will plan to participate in a parade, assist with a Veterans Day event at your local VA or state facility, or just visit a veteran to tell them how much they are appreciated. Be sure to bring your thank-you cards to pass out; the template is available on the committee website.

Please talk with your local chapters about what you can do for our veterans...
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Our veterans appreciate everything you do for them. Thank you so much for letting them know how special they are.

Patricia H. Hance
National Chairman

Development

It’s hard to believe that we are fast approaching another holiday season! Each new holiday season brings new opportunities to remember loved ones with a gift in their honor, or in their memory, or to claim a possible income tax deduction for yourself.

So, as you start to plan your holiday gift list, allow me to offer a tip for avoiding the holiday shopping frenzy—consider making one or more donations to the National Society in honor of your family and friends to thank them for all they do for you or for the National Society.

Your gift will not only honor your family member or friend, but it will also help the National Society to further its mission through its programs dedicated to historic preservation, education and patriotism. Additionally, your gift may qualify you for the 1890 Annual Giving Circle, the Heritage Club or both. Your tax advisor can determine if your gift donation will provide you with a current income tax deduction for yourself.

Finally, in prior years, we have had until the end of February to donate and to receive credit for the 1890 Annual Giving Circle and the Chapter Achievement Award period. With the change in the fiscal year end to a calendar year end, we will have only until December 31, 2012, to make donations for our annual gifts to the 1890 Annual Giving Circle for this short fiscal year (2012S). Please be sure to mail your donation directly to the Office of Development, preferably by December 15, 2012, with a completed DEV-1003 form to ensure that you, your chapter or your state society receive the proper credit for the 2012 short year. Donors contributing for the 2012 short year will be eligible to purchase a new bar engraved “2012S.” Of course, donations made in January and February 2013 will still receive credit, but it will be for the 2013 calendar year reporting period.

This year, please consider giving a holiday gift that will keep on giving!

Cynthia S. Buttorff
National Chairman

Genealogical Records

Questions are already coming in about the Master Questionnaire, which means our members are looking ahead and planning! One question we’re hearing frequently is, “How do I record my volunteer time spent on the Supporting Documentation Project?” Sadly, you can’t. That project is for the DAR Genealogy Preservation Committee, not GRC. That work is recorded in another way and does not need to be reported on the MQ. Another question we often get is, “How do I record my volunteer work for Find a Grave?” Find a Grave, like projects for your local genealogical or historical society, will not count for GRC credit on the MQ or Chapter Achievement Awards. To obtain GRC credit, your volunteer work must be for DAR and it must be original. If you’re unsure whether your project will count for credit, ask your state chairman or national division vice chairman.

Beverly A. Przybylski
National Chairman

Historic Preservation

Congratulations to the Texas State Society for its first-place entry in the Historic Preservation Project Contest at Continental Congress. A video of the project is featured on the Historic Sites and Properties Database at http://www.dar.org/natsociety/committee/HistoricPreservation/default.html. This excellent video shows what the Texas Daughters have done to preserve historic cemeteries and explains how to properly preserve gravestones. It can be used as a chapter program if your chapter is interested in preserving gravestones in your local cemeteries.

During the last year of the Wright Administration, it is the Historic Preservation Committee’s goal to collect information about all the DAR-owned sites and properties to be included in the Historic Sites and Properties Database. All new chapter and state regents should review the database to be sure all of your DAR-owned properties are included. Forms and directions are included on the Historic Preservation Committee pages on...
Calling All Researchers

Researchers are urgently needed to aid DAR members who are assisting prospective members with their applications! There are several hundred research requests on the Lineage Research Lookup (LRL) Board for prospective members who need documentation in order to complete their applications.

Any DAR member who has an interest in researching lineage and/or service documentation for prospective members is desperately needed. Many of our DAR members who are working with prospective members on their applications do not have the access to documentation required to complete an application.

To find the current research needs, go to the Members’ Website, click on Committees from the navigation bar on the left, click on Lineage Research, then click Lineage Research Lookup Board. The system will then prompt you for your chapter and state name, which are necessary to enter the LRL Board. To view the pending requests on the LRL Board for the state in which you are available to research, click on the state name.

Researchers who wish to receive automatic e-mails about new lookup requests, simply click on the Sign Up For Group Notices link on the left navigation bar, and then click on the state you are able to research either on the ground or through the Internet.

One of the goals of the Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission is to coordinate available DAR resources to support chapters in gaining new members. The LRL Board volunteers directly support this goal by searching for evidence to complete new member applications.

For more information or if you have any questions about the LRL Board, please contact your Lineage Research state chairman. Chapter regents, encourage your chapter members who enjoy researching to volunteer their expertise for the LRL Board. As we all know, behind every new member is a good researcher!

The expertise you possess as a researcher provides invaluable service to prospective members, chapters, states and the National Society. You are a lifeline for prospective members!

Elizabeth Hawley Clark-Urban
National Chairman

Literacy Promotion

The holiday season is a wonderful time to share the joy of reading with friends and family. Books make great presents for both young and old, and the gift of a magazine subscription brings new ideas and reading adventures to someone throughout the year. Even more important, make time over the holidays to read to your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Not only will you be sharing an enjoyable moment together, but your young relatives also will quickly pick up on the fact that the adults in their lives think reading is important.

Reach out as well to fellow Daughters. Highlight Literacy Promotion in a brief committee minute at a meeting, plan a book drive for the local library at your holiday party or simply share with other members your excitement about a book you are reading.

Finally, honor Daughters doing exceptional work for literacy, both inside and outside of DAR. This year’s Literacy Promotion Outstanding Service Contest deadline is February 15, 2013, reflecting the new DAR year. Last year’s Outstanding Service Award winners brought books to blind children in Africa, wrote and performed educational radio broadcasts, and developed original picture books for local preschoolers. Even now, members are working to promote literacy to their communities and around the world, and it will be exciting to share the work of our outstanding Daughters.

S. Layla Heimlich
National Chairman

Membership

Members need to feel useful. If they find their talents are needed and appreciated they have a reason to continue their membership. Committee projects are wonderful avenues to use to build friendships within the chapter. Encourage chapter chairmen to choose three or four members to help them.

Has anyone in your chapter called members who haven’t attended a meeting recently to say that they’ve been missed? Consider forming a committee whose purpose is to call members periodically just to say hi.

Create a chapter membership committee whose responsibility it is to talk with all the members at a meeting—not just the ones they know—and introduce members who do not know each other.

Linda L. Winthers
National Chairman
Or, at a chapter meeting ask each member to talk to someone they don’t know. When the meeting convenes ask each member to introduce the person next to them and tell something about them. It can be fun as well as enlightening.

Another idea is to have opportunities for socializing outside the chapter meeting venue. When DAR was started more than 100 years ago, communities were small and tightly knit. The members of the chapter saw each other outside of the monthly DAR meeting. Today our communities are different, and many Daughters do not see other DAR members except during that short time once a month. Committee work is an avenue to keep the socialization aspect going outside of the monthly meeting. Committee work can be combined with a Dutch-treat lunch or iced tea or coffee at Starbucks.

Members who have helped other members to join should keep in touch with the ladies they have helped join DAR. By keeping in touch I don’t mean simply sending them an email. I mean personal contact—pick up the phone. Treat every member as you would like to be treated.

Our interest and passion in historic preservation, education and patriotism have brought us together in DAR. The friendships we build while promoting these objectives are what keeps our chapters growing and thriving.

Susan G. Tillman
National Chairman

Protocol

Protocol Point: Recently I have been asked some questions about what can and cannot be put on a website or the internet. This is not really a protocol matter. On the Public Relations and Media Committee section of the Members’ Website, you will find the guidelines for the World Wide Web. Please check there for any other internet questions.

Bonnie W. Ranieri
National Chairman

Units Overseas

Many representatives of the 26 chapters of DAR members living in 13 foreign countries and one U.S. territory attended the 121st Continental Congress, where they enjoyed meeting with each other and members from the United States, and welcomed the addition of the new Mariana Islands Chapter in Guam to their membership! As testimony of the valuable support these members give to DAR programs, an astounding number of award certificates were conferred at the Units Overseas Committee meeting. The famous Units Overseas Committee Luncheon and International Bazaar was again an immense success. Daughters residing outside of the United States continue to fulfill DAR goals as best they can in their countries.

All members can stay informed of these chapters’ activities by reading about them on the Units Overseas Committee website and can assist them by becoming associate members using forms found online. Do send names of relatives, friends or acquaintances living outside this country to the Units Overseas Project Coordinator, Organizing Secretary or Assisting a prospective member should submit a supplemental application for DAR membership.

If your last NSDAR educational workshop was before 2007, consider enrolling in the online Genealogical Education Program (GEP). Courses GEP I, GEP II and GEP III are now available. These courses, created by the NSDAR Genealogy Department, focus on current standards for DAR applications.

The Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission (composed of the Registrar General, Organizing Secretary General, Membership National Chairman, Lineage Research National Chairman, Volunteer Genealogist National Chairman and the CDRC National Chairman) has posted PowerPoint presentations from Continental Congress on the Members’ Website. These informative presentations provide current information and updated data to guide your strategies and actions for the next year.

Darryn Lickliter, director of the Office of the Registrar General, presented a webinar on the new Build an Application capability. This is posted on the Members’ Website. Every Daughter who is considering submitting a supplemental or assisting a prospective member should have information on this valuable service.

Volunteer genealogists, I will present a webinar in January titled DAR Application 101. This webinar will provide the highlights of DAR application completion. I encourage you to sign up for the webinar or watch it in the archives after the webinar.

Writer William A. Ward said, “Change, like sunshine, can be a friend or foe, a blessing or a curse, a dawn or a dusk.” As a volunteer genealogist you have the opportunity to bring light and the dawn of understanding as you present workshops with information on current standards of verification for DAR applications.

Judy N. Mason
National Chairman

Volunteer Genealogists

Change is inevitable. Change indicates progress. Change is stressful. Change brings opportunity.

Volunteer genealogists ask, “How do I keep up with all the changes in order to present current workshops on DAR applications?”

Women’s Issues

The National Society is rich with stories from women who inspire us. Let’s
“Celebrate Women” and encourage them to write their stories for the Women’s Issues Essay Contest. Essays must be titled, typed and no more than 1,800 words. All words count. A cover page must give the member’s name, chapter, national number, address, telephone number, email address (if available), essay title and category (family, career or health). One winner for each category will be announced at Continental Congress. Visit the Members’ Website to read the essay winners from last year (www.members.dar.org/committees/women/index.htm).

Veterans Day is November 11. This annual event provides an opportunity to honor American military veterans for their service. November 15 is America Recycles Day; find information about participation or even hosting an event at www.americarecyclesday.org. November is also the month of Thanksgiving. President George Washington proclaimed the first nationwide thanksgiving celebration in the United States, and President Abraham Lincoln fixed the date as the last Thursday in November by presidential proclamation in 1863. However, in 1941 President Franklin D. Roosevelt changed the date to the fourth Thursday in November. December 7 is Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. A good resource for more information can be found at www.education.nationalgeographic.com. The first day of winter is December 21, and Christmas Eve and Christmas Day provide a time for many to celebrate with friends and family.

Keep track of all community activities and volunteerism and report them on the Master Questionnaire.

Stacy L. Cope
National Chairman

Save the Date!

DAR Christmas Open House
DECEMBER 5, 2012

Daughters and their guests from near and far are invited to celebrate the holiday season at NSDAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C. The 11th Annual DAR Christmas Open House will be held Wednesday, December 5, 2012, from 5:30–8:00 p.m.

Enjoy holiday refreshments and musical entertainment in Memorial Continental Hall, which will be elegantly decorated for Christmas. Take evening tours of the DAR Museum Gallery, the Period Rooms, the DAR Library and the Americana Collection. The open house is a perfect holiday event for the whole family, with “the most accessible Santa in town” being a big draw!

Join the NSDAR Executives and Headquarters staff in welcoming the public to tour our beautiful building. Invite your friends, family and neighbors to get a taste of history during this holiday season as the National Society celebrates in circles of friendship, service and commitment.
Virginia State Regent Patricia Musick Hatfield joined the Major George Gibson Chapter, Gibson Station, Va., in celebrating its 95th Founders’ Day on July 28, 2012. Mrs. Hatfield spoke about the Virginia DAR’s need to keep changing and adapting, particularly with regard to the young working women and mothers of today whose lives are very different from women of previous generations. Mrs. Hatfield also discussed Virginia’s contribution toward the restoration of the DAR Library lay light in Memorial Continental Hall and a recent donation to the Kate Duncan Smith DAR School in Grant, Ala. This school has a new building named for Marie Yochim, the National Society’s Centennial President General and a Virginia Daughter, who passed away in April 2012. Some of the funds for the new building came from Mrs. Yochim and the remainder from the Virginia DAR.

Several chapter members received certificates honoring membership milestones, including former Chapter Regent Mary Stickley, who has been a DAR member for 70 years. Miss Stickley is the daughter of Major George Gibson Organizing Chapter Regent Nannie L.K. Stickley.

Nathan Hale Chapter, St. Paul, Minn., will observe its 117th anniversary in November. Through the years Nathan Hale Chapter has been involved in many projects. In St. Paul, a statue of Nathan Hale can be found at the intersection of Summit, Western and Portland avenues. This statue was unveiled by the chapter on July 10, 1907, and was later given to the city of St. Paul.

A more recent chapter project involves the Minnesota chapter records stored in the DuPuis House, part of the Sibley House Historic Site in Mendota, Minn., which was owned by the Minnesota State Society from 1910 to 1997. In May 2012, Nathan Hale Chapter submitted a proposal to sort and organize the records of all current and disbanded chapters into archival boxes. State Historian Heather Ziessler directed the project along with Minnesota Historical Site Supervisor Ted Bores. Chapter members who worked on the project were: Chapter Regent Marlene Johnson, Chapter Treasurer Deb Blakeaway, Chapter Historian/Librarian Joanne Clausen, Corresponding Secretary Jan Hallman, Chaplain Gerry Larson, Recording Secretary Jennifer Parker, State Preservationist Fay Leach, Betty Mackey, Rebecca Sonnick, Haley Ziessler and prospective member Erin Ipsen-Borgenson. In July, the chapter completed the project and also made the chapter records available online.

Philadelphia Chapter, Philadelphia, Pa., celebrated its 120th anniversary on August 1, 2012. Philadelphia Chapter has a history of service that includes the restoration of the banquet hall and meeting room in Independence Hall from 1895–1897.

During World War I, the chapter donated the funds to purchase an ambulance and kitchen trailer to be used in France. In 1919, Daughters took over the task of rehabilitating Varnum’s Headquarters at Valley Forge. The chapter restored and refurnished the house with many valuable antiques, restored the springhouse, and rebuilt the retaining wall in the rear of the property. Members served as docents at the headquarters for many years. In recent years, the chapter has fully supported all national projects including the Bell Tower in Valley Forge and the responsibility for a cottage at Kate Duncan Smith DAR School. With the help of sister chapters, Daughters cleaned and planted a pocket park in the north section of Philadelphia. Each year the chapter honors...
approximately 20–30 American History and Good Citizenship essay contest winners at a luncheon attended by about 200 people. Members have marked three Real Daughters’ grave sites, including that of Real Daughter Catherine Howell Flournoy in Laurel Hill Cemetery in Philadelphia.

**Chapter News and Events**

On July 1, 2012, following Continental Congress, three members of the Alexander Macomb Chapter, Mount Clemens, Mich., placed carnations at Alexander Macomb’s grave at Congressional Cemetery in Washington, D.C. Members especially wanted to pay tribute to him on behalf of the chapter during this bicentennial year of the War of 1812.

Founded in 1899, the chapter was named after General Alexander Macomb in view of his services in the War of 1812 and his status as a leading citizen in Macomb County, also named after him. Macomb (1782–1841) was born in Detroit to a merchant family. He joined the New York Militia at age 16 and advanced from there. He completed his training at West Point. In the War of 1812, as brigadier general, Macomb defeated the British at Plattsburg, N.Y., and earned the Congressional Gold Medal for his work. In 1821 he went to Washington as head of the Corps of Engineers. He became commanding general of the U.S. Army in 1828.

On June 21, 2012, the Berks County Chapter, Reading, Pa., hosted a grave-marking ceremony for Revolutionary soldier Philip Klein (1763–1834) at the Altalaha Lutheran Cemetery in Rehrersburg, Pa. Diane Groome, regent of the Jose Maria Amador Chapter, Pleasanton, Calif., and her sister Carole J. Vercellino, past regent of the same chapter and current national chairman of the Congress Program Committee, both descendants of Klein, and Berks County Chapter Regent Elizabeth Dechant, prepared the program. The ceremony, which was several years in the making, was attended by more than 40 DAR members, Klein family members and friends. Mrs. Dechant led the service. The Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter S.A.R. Color Guard posted the colors for the ceremony. Dr. Robert Kline, an S.A.R. member and a Klein descendant, presented a short biography of Philip Klein. Other Klein descendants were introduced. Tim Ghebeles of Bugles Across America played taps.

In preparation for the ceremony, the Berks County Association for Graveyard Preservation had cleaned the headstones of Klein and his wife, Elisabeth. The Altalaha Lutheran Church opened its doors for the assemblage and provided refreshments after the ceremony.

Brigitte van den Hove-Smith, regent of Big Cypress Chapter, Naples, Fla., was awarded the prestigious French Legion of Honor on April 13, 2012. Mrs. van den Hove-Smith has endeavored to acknowledge surviving American World War II veterans eligible to receive this award. This honor is now hers, highlighting her efforts to foster French-American relations. American Society of the Legion of Honor Vice President Nicole Hirsh presented the award at a ceremony attended by Consul General of France in Miami Gaël de Maisonneuve, Florida State Regent Donna Cullen, Naples Mayor John Sorey III, former Naples Mayor Bill Barnett, veterans, DAR and S.A.R. members, and family and friends.

In 2004, on the 60th anniversary of D-Day, Mrs. van den Hove-Smith initiated a program with the cooperation of the Collier County Museum, the Veterans Council, the French Embassy and the Consulate in Miami to research World War II veterans living in Southwest Florida who fought to liberate France. She helped present the Legion of Honor to 120 veterans. During her ceremony, one such veteran, Eugene Pettinelli, received his award, too.

Mrs. van den Hove-Smith, daughter of Pierre and Bernadette van den Hove, was born in Nancy, France. She initially joined the Colonel Haslet Chapter, Dover, Del., in 1991, and transferred to Big Cypress Chapter in 2001.
Members of Black Partridge Chapter, Eureka, Ill., passed out United States flags on June 24, 2012, at the dedication ceremony for a bell tower built in Washington, Ill. The tower houses Washington’s original fire bell, first located in the Washington square in the 1900s. The structure also houses six plaques. Two plaques honor William Holland, who founded the city in 1834, and others honor George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Ronald Reagan. The sixth plaque explains the story of the bell. Also dedicated were five sets of bronze footprints placed in the square where Lincoln is said to have visited the town of Washington. Black Partridge Chapter was honored to be a part of the dedication service. The bell tower and footprints can be seen on the city’s square.

On July 4, 2012, Bonaventure Chapter, Savannah, Ga., hosted a Declaration of Independence ceremony in Colonial Cemetery. Savannah’s three DAR chapters take turns hosting this annual event. The patriotic ceremony always takes place around the tomb of Button Gwinnett. The three Georgia men who signed the Declaration were George Walton, Lyman Hall and Gwinnett, who was the last to place his signature for Georgia.

Amidst the patriotic music, guest speaker Christy Crisp of the Georgia Historical Society addressed the crowd. Participating organizations included Bonaventure Chapter, Lachlan McIntosh Chapter, Savannah Society C.A.R. and the Edward Telfair Chapter S.A.R. Bonaventure Chapter members were very proud to have the C.A.R. assist with the ceremony. Everyone walked away feeling blessed to be an American.

Patricia Harris, Flag Chairman for the Charlotte Bay Chapter, Punta Gorda, Fla., attends Habitat for Humanity home dedication services and presents an American flag, a copy of the U.S. Constitution and a pamphlet on flag etiquette to the new homeowners. The chapter began this new tradition in January 2012 and to date has presented flags to 12 proud families. Typically, several other chapter members also attend the services to show support for the chapter and the homeowners. Daughters will continue this practice as a way to show their patriotism and pride in Charlotte County, and to show the community that the members are actively involved in serving their neighbors. Ms. Harris also serves as the chapter’s National Defense chairman, in which capacity she presents ROTC and JROTC medals to local students.

The chapter’s fundraising efforts have received a boost from the efforts of Selena Etheridge, who organizes card parties and Chinese auctions at meetings and special events, garnering support for DAR in the process.

Yellow roses and a granite headstone adorn a formerly bare patch of land in Oak Woods Cemetery on Chicago’s South Side. On September 9, 2012, Juliana Howe Ewell, a member of Chicago Chapter, Chicago, Ill., received a Real Daughter headstone exactly 111 years after her death. Juliana was the daughter of Azor Howe, a Revolutionary War private from Massachusetts.

Juliana became the first Real Daughter to join Chicago Chapter in 1898. That year the chapter found Juliana’s family living in poverty—the furniture was mortgaged, the water shut off and her family had no money for hospital bills related to the birth of Juliana’s granddaughter. Chicago Chapter paid the bills and provided the family with food and clothing for the next three years.

A rift occurred between the DAR and Juliana’s son when members offered to fulfill a deathbed request to help send Juliana’s grandson to live with an uncle, a renowned cabinetmaker, to learn the trade. Juliana died six months later, her grave unmarked and forgotten. This fall, Chicago Chapter, with members of the S.A.R. and C.A.R., marked her grave at last.

Juliana’s descendants now live in Texas and New Mexico. While they were unable to attend the ceremony, they expressed their gratitude for this honor.

Colonel Joseph Winston Chapter, Winston-Salem N.C., honored the Revolutionary War service of William Beck (1766–1845) by marking his grave at Beck/Shouse Cemetery in Winston-Salem on June 10, 2012. Chapter Regent Robynn Rutledge and Kate Thomas were among the more than 52 descendants, friends and local DAR chapter members in attendance.

Ms. Rutledge led the program, and chapter members Mrs. Thomas, Agnes Canzona, Anne Wilson, Kathryn Rouse,
Margaret Johnston, Reba Jones and Ina Warren assisted. Daughters placed a wreath at Beck’s grave, where the marker was displayed. Boy Scouts from Tampa, Fla., who are descendants of Beck presented the colors. Bonnie Simms played trumpet music throughout the program.

A detailed biography of William Beck was shared by Melba Hoover, a Beck descendant. In 1829 Beck deeded six acres of his farm, part of the Wachovia Tract, for the construction of a community meeting house that later became Becks Baptist Church. From 1780–1782 Beck served in the North Carolina Militia in Granville County.

On June 14, 2012, Colonel Marinus Willett-Mohawk Valley Chapter, Fort, N.Y., held a commemorative Flag Day bus tour marking the unveiling of the 14 markers along General Nicholas Herkimer’s march to the Oriskany Battlefield. Chapter Regent Barbara Yates and Chapter Historian Ramona Kane were in charge, and New York State Regent Denise Doring VanBuren attended as an honored guest.

A total of 14 Mohawk Valley DAR chapters, as well as members of chapters and descendants from California, Arizona, Florida, North Carolina and New Jersey, participated. Eagle Scout David Peterson and his sister Dolly Peterson, Gold Award Girl Scout and 2012 DAR Good Citizen, served as the color guard for the pilgrimage, which lasted from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Nicholas Williams and Katherine Roland of the Remsen Central School Band played taps.

Each monument reads in part: “40-mile route taken by General Herkimer Aug. 3–6, 1777, for relief of Fort Stanwix. The Battle of Oriskany, Aug. 6, between Herkimer’s men and St. Leger with his Indians, was the turning point of the Revolution.” The final marker at the battlefield reads: “Near this spot stood the beech tree which during the Battle of Oriskany sheltered the wounded General Herkimer while he gave orders that made Saratoga possible and decided the fate of a Nation.”

In June, Colonel William Candler Chapter, Gainesville, Ga., shared the history of the American flag through a radio show broadcast, an article in The Gainesville Times and a flag retirement ceremony. The radio show and others about Independence Day and Constitution Day are posted on a nonprofit podcast website: http://celebrations.podomatic.com. Lynda Holmes authored the radio scripts and the news article. Flag Committee Chapter Chairman Marilyn Martin collected flags for the retirement ceremony held on June 14, 2012.

The chapter earned recognition in various categories throughout the year. National Defense Committee Chapter Chairman Linda Sundstrom won second place nationally for best editorial. The Literacy Promotion Committee awarded Ms. Holmes first place in the Southeastern Division and third place nationally in the Outstanding Service of a Member category, and also named Colonel William Candler Chapter second place in the Southeast Division for Outstanding Service of a Chapter. Ida “Bea” Best Smith Fischer was installed as State Vice Regent of Georgia (2012–2014) during Continental Congress and won the best state chairman’s report in the Southeastern Division from the DAR School Committee. Marcie Fletcher authored the program “Native American Indian Code Talkers,” which was selected for inclusion in the National Program Library. The chapter attained Chapter Achievement Award Level 1 for 2011–2012.

On September 7, 2012, Colonel William Preston Chapter, Roanoke, Va., welcomed guest speaker Byron Dickson, architect of the National D-Day Memorial and author of the book The National D-Day Memorial: Evolution of an Idea. The memorial was opened on June 6, 2001, with more than 20,000 people in attendance, including then-President George W. Bush. It is located in Bedford, Va., at the foot of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains. The small town was chosen as the site of the
memorial because in losing 19 soldiers on D-Day, it suffered the greatest loss of life in the nation in proportion to its population. Three more Bedford soldiers died in the following days.

Both solemn and beautiful, the memorial features a majestic victory arch, an invasion scene with statuary and an English garden to represent the country from which the largest land, air and sea invasion in history was planned and launched.

The memorial was built and is supported by contributions to the National D-Day Foundation, a private, nonprofit educational foundation that seeks to preserve the lessons and legacy of D-Day. The memorial is closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas and New Year’s Day, in addition to Mondays during the winter months.

Courtney-Spalding Chapter, Hays, Kan., celebrated the 100th anniversary of Kansas women gaining state suffrage by entering a float in the Hays Wild West Festival’s Independence Day Parade, held on July 7, 2012. The parade’s theme, “Proud to Be an American,” was expressed with a sign commemorating November 5, 1912, the day Kansas granted women the right to vote, enabling modern Kansas women to proclaim themselves “Proud American Voters for 100 Years!” The float, which was covered in patriotic bunting, featured the U.S., Kansas and DAR flags with chapter members resplendent in red, white and blue holding signs with the suffrage slogan “Better Late Than Never, But Sooner Than Most, Kansas Women Win the Vote!” Women, and a few men, along the parade route seemed to appreciate the entry as many clapped and called out as the float went by. Eight years after Kansas women were granted suffrage, on August 26, 1920, the 19th Amendment was signed into law, granting all women in America the right to vote.

Brandon Hare, 19, of Ballston Lake, N.Y., has been named a recipient of the prestigious Mary Desha Founders Medal for Youth. The award was presented by Johanna Shogan, regent of the General Peter Gansevoort Chapter, Albany, N.Y., on Flag Day 2012 at the historic Van Schaick Mansion in Cohoes, N.Y. The award recognizes Brandon’s 2011 Eagle Scout project, for which he restored, repaired and conserved the Van Schaick Family Cemetery. Attending the ceremony were Cohoes Mayor John McDonald III and many other DAR, C.A.R. and S.A.R. representatives, as well as scouting and local organization leaders. Brandon is now a student at the University of Rhode Island, and he continues to distinguish himself as an active patriot and young leader in the community.

The Van Schaick Mansion served as a primary military headquarters for the northern army during the Revolution and was most active in 1777 as battles at Saratoga and Fort Stanwick were fought nearby. It also served briefly during that year as the New York state capital. Brandon’s efforts to restore the mansion cemetery and adjacent grounds substantially contributed to the appearance and preservation of this historic site that housed many of our Revolution’s most prominent and heroic generals, staff and soldiers.

Golden Nugget Chapter, Paradise, Calif., a small but mighty chapter, won second place in the most patriotic category in the Golden Nugget Parade in its hometown of Paradise. Members participating in the parade made their own hats especially for the occasion, and many made their costumes as well. Daughters gave out small flags along the parade route to the delight of many. This year, Chapter Regent Ann Williams’ husband decorated his truck and drove some of the members along the parade route. Four other Daughters marched ahead to lead the group, carrying the DAR banner that Mrs. Williams made. The moderator read the following when the group passed the review station, “Honoring our country and its amazing history is the Golden Nugget Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. A group of women devoted to the preservation of our heritage through patriotic and educational programs,
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At the June meeting of Irondequoit Chapter, Rochester, N.Y., members gathered to honor and recognize Helen Murphy as she celebrated her 70-year anniversary as a DAR member. Mrs. Murphy joined DAR in May 1942 under her Patriot ancestor William Henshaw. She was originally a member of the William Henshaw Chapter, Martinsburg, W.Va., which has a membership roster that is still sprinkled with descendants of the chapter’s namesake. Mrs. Murphy keeps active with travel, family and friends, and still attends chapter meetings as often as possible. She was presented with a 70-year membership certificate, a corsage and a cake to mark the event. Congratulations, Mrs. Murphy!

The James Stewart Chapter, Franklin, Ga., is a small chapter with 26 big-hearted members. This year the chapter welcomed Nancy Hill as a new member. Completing Ms. Hill’s application was a challenge as she was adopted as an infant. She worked persistently to prove her line through her birth mother, and chapter members were overjoyed with the results!

The chapter is delighted to have received national, regional and state awards in 2012. Carla Brown worked diligently to create a War of 1812 proclamation and chapter brochure. When the chapter was informed that it had won at the state and Southeastern Division levels for both the proclamation and chapter brochure, members were ecstatic. When the War of 1812 proclamation was judged nationally, the chapter’s entry won third place. Thanks to Mrs. Brown for her resourcefulness and initiative in constructing these two winning entries.

On July 9, 2012, Teresa McCarthy, former regent of Ketoctin Chapter, Bluemont, Va., presented a $1,000 check to Jim Christian, president of the Loudoun Revolutionary War Memorial Committee (LRWMC). The check will go to the LRWMC Patriot Project, which is raising funds to build a statue honoring Loudoun County’s contribution to the war effort.

For the past two years, Ketoctin Chapter Daughters have raised money to donate to the Patriot Project through various activities. Loudoun County sent nearly 2,000 soldiers to fight, the largest contingent of any Virginia county, but has no monument to honor their service. The statue, designed by renowned sculptor Jay Hall Carpenter, is unique in that it accurately depicts a militiaman and family of the era. It is to be erected on the grounds of the Leesburg, Va., courthouse in 2014.

The LRWMC was established to fill this historical void in the county’s history...
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through the efforts of S.A.R. and DAR members, local historians and community leaders. Six former chapter regents serve on the LRWMC: Vice President Teresa McCarthy, Corresponding Secretary Wanda English, Graphics and Web Designer Terri Coleman, Fine Arts Advisor Judith Lindsay, Recording Secretary Gail Adams and Publicity Chairman Joan Whitener.

On April 28, 2012, Llano Uplift Chapter, Marble Falls, Texas, had the pleasure of inducting new members representing three generations of the same family: Maretta Kay Hall of Citrus Heights, Calif.; her daughter, Cheryl Ann Hall-Wendele of Lampas, Texas; and her granddaughter Kristin Asaff, also of Lampasas. These lovely ladies are descendants of Nelson Kelley/Kelly who, according to records at Mount Vernon, originally rented 135 acres of land from George Washington in 1762 and later that year entered into a contract with Washington to become the manager of Dogue Run Farm, one of the five farms which made up Mount Vernon plantation. Kelley served in the First Regiment of the North Carolina Militia and after the war was paid 1,200 pounds currency for sundry claims, which would be equal to more than $50,000 today.

Members of the Margaret Montgomery Chapter, Conroe, Texas, were special guests at the Conroe Symphony Orchestra’s patriotic celebration concert held June 25, 2012. Chapter member and violinist Sheronna McMahon discovered the “National March for the Daughters of the American Revolution,” written by Jens Bodewalt Lampe, while researching her dissertation topic for her doctoral music degree from Boston University. Lampe, a Danish-born composer, wrote seven marches including the “National March for the DAR,” commissioned in 1909. Dr. McMahon suggested to CSO conductor Dr. Don Hutson that the march be performed to honor the DAR, and he agreed. Before conducting the piece, Hutson recognized the attending members and thanked the DAR for its memorable past and continued contributions. With its driving percussion parts, soaring flutes and singing violins, this toe-tapping march will surely become a patriotic tradition in the Conroe area for many years.

Marion-Linn Chapter, Marion, Iowa, presented 46-year member Jeanne Oxley with a Women in American History Award certificate. After a 2008 flood, a building was renovated and renamed the Jean Oxley Linn County Public Service Center to honor the extraordinary contributions she made during her 24-year tenure as the first woman supervisor in Linn County. During this time, she helped initiate home- and community-based services for the mentally ill and intellectually challenged, as well as boys and girls organizations, and programs to allow the elderly to stay in their own homes. Mrs. Oxley has dedicated her life to advocating for the underserved. Chapter members presented a U.S. flag and provided cookies for the open house and ribbon cutting.

Dorothy Ehlts-Wille, a 23-year member, was presented with a Historic Preservation Recognition Award for her work in preserving the Guttenburg
Lockmasters House and a one-room country school, which are filled with countless community artifacts.

Jeanne Flagel told members about the River Bend Troop Support nonprofit organization, which she operates from the basement of her home. She sends hundreds of boxes to servicemen and women, and communicates with some service members who have no family.

Beatrice Rutledge Lyons, a member of Nancy Ward Chapter, Chattanooga, Tenn., was invited to Providence, R.I., for the 27th Annual International Hearing Loss Convention in July. At the convention she received the national Rocky Stone Humanitarian Award. This award is given to a former Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) Board of Trustees member in recognition of extraordinary contributions toward the furtherance of the objectives and personal exemplification of the philosophy envisioned by Howard E. “Rocky” Stone, founder of HLAA.

Mrs. Lyons has a true servant’s heart. She demonstrates a positive approach to her hearing loss and educates and encourages others to do the same. She is a role model, mentor and friend to people with hearing loss, which she treated as an added dimension that has given her strength and directed her life path.

Mrs. Lyons has been recognized for her outstanding service to people with hearing loss locally in Chattanooga, and she has received prestigious awards on the state and national levels regarding her work in universities, agencies and community organizations.

Nipissing Chapter, Lapeer, Mich., along with the Paul Emery Chapter, S.A.R., the Mark and Henry Schell Society C.A.R., scout troops, the local American Legion post, local and state officials, and friends and family, gathered at the North Dryden Cemetery in Dryden, Mich., on June 23, 2012, to mark the graves of Revolutionary Patriot Daniel Hill Spencer and his daughter, Alma Spencer Perkins Fletcher. One hundred sixty years after his death, Spencer received a headstone and marker with full military honors. A marker was added to Alma’s existing headstone.

Nipissing Chapter member Patricia McCallum assisted NSDAR with the research and proof of service for Spencer, who was her husband Don McCallum’s fourth-great-grandfather. Spencer’s tie to Lapeer County can be traced to his children, several of whom came from Canada and settled in the Dryden area in the 1830s. Don McCallum is descended from Spencer’s daughter, Theodocia.

Outgoing State Regent Patricia Dennert (2009–2012) was in attendance, as were a number of DAR members from area chapters. A luncheon followed at the Historic White Horse Inn in Metamora, Mich.

On June 9, 2012, Santa Lucia Chapter, Salinas, Calif., was very proud to be given the honor of placing a NSDAR marker at the historic home of Isaac Julian Harvey, the first mayor of its home city. It was constructed for the mayor in 1886. Organizing Regent Helen Baker Currie was the mayor’s granddaughter. The chapter was formed there in 1938 and has met there frequently for the past 74 years. Now restored as a museum, it is open to the public. The former cookhouse has been refurbished as a space for teachers to discuss early history with their students after touring the house.

The event was well attended by California state and district officers, members from various chapters and the public.

Each attendee was presented with an American flag and a card inscribed with the American’s Creed and the Pledge of Allegiance. The ceremony commenced with the ringing of the school bell used by the mayor’s daughter Saphronia Harvey, the city’s first schoolteacher. The national anthem was performed by Salinas High School student Symphonie Constant, and Boy Scouts presented the colors. Chapter Regent Cindy Vallejo Robison conducted the ceremony with the current mayor of Salinas as the keynote speaker.

Schoharie Chapter, Schoharie, N.Y., is the proud recipient of a $10,000 Special Projects Grant from the NSDAR. The grant and matching funds will launch restoration efforts on the chapter house by helping to restore the original windows. Built in 1795, Lasell Hall was given to the
chapter in 1913. The historic house was severely damaged during Hurricane Irene in August 2011. Due to the damage, much of the first-floor interior was gutted down to the hand-hewn beams, brick fireplaces and exposed, handmade mud bricks used for insulation in the 1700s.

The chapter reports with pride that Lasell Hall was not idle during the past year. With essential services restored, Lasell Hall became the Loaves and Fishes Cafe during the flood relief effort in January 2012. The makeshift cafe served meals to volunteers. With the help of neighboring DAR chapters, the Schoharie Chapter hosted DAR Day at the cafe on June 27, 2012, serving food and DAR camaraderie to volunteers. The Schoharie Chapter wishes to thank all of the DAR chapters and members for their generous donations to the restoration fund. The chapter is committed to seeing Lasell Hall restored and once again part of the Schoharie community.

Shrewsbury Towne-Monmouth Chapter, Shrewsbury, N.J., located the gravestone of the chapter’s Real Daughter, Rachel van Deventer, in Washington Monumental Cemetery in South River, N.J. Rachel, who was a charter member of the chapter, was approved for DAR membership on May 1, 1900. On her application, Rachel states that her father Christopher van Deventer assisted in establishing American independence while acting in the capacity of private in the New Jersey Militia.

Her handwritten application also says, “I found my claim upon both documentary and service traditionary authority. The enlistment and service of my father Christopher van Deventer and his brothers Jacob, Capt. 1st. Regiment Middlesex, Isaac, and James is a matter of record in the state of New Jersey. I distinctly remember hearing my father and my uncle Runyon Buckalew of Capt. Nixon’s Troop of Light Horse (Middlesex) talking of the sufferings they had endured and the battles they were in—Princeton, Monmouth and others—also of the raids of the British through their plantations and their carrying my old grandfather Isaac van Deventer a prisoner to New York where he was confined in the old ‘Sugar House’ and died there.”

On July 22, 2012, members of Spoon River Chapter, Williamsfield, Ill., held a grave-marking ceremony honoring Sarah Allen Buck, daughter of Revolutionary War soldier Robert Allen of Vermont. The service was held in Salem Cemetery, Victoria Township, Knox County, Ill., where Sarah was buried in 1868. Her husband, Gideon Buck, at least two of their children and several grandchildren also are interred there.

Chapter Regent Erma Nodeen welcomed a large crowd, including more than 20 descendants of Sarah Allen and Gideon Buck. Chapter Historian Karen Mustain Taylor, fourth-great-granddaughter of Sarah Allen Buck, spoke about the couple’s lives. Becky Taylor Dodd, Ms. Taylor’s daughter, portrayed Nancy Buck Mosher, daughter of Sarah and Gideon. The invocation and benediction were delivered by Chapter Chaplain Judith Johnson. Members of Kewanee Chapter, Kewanee, Ill., and Lucretia Leffingwell Chapter, Knoxville, Tenn., also attended the ceremony.

Taneycomo Chapter, Forsyth, Mo., recently held a surprise celebratory luncheon honoring past chapter regents Bonnie Bailey and Penelope Willard for their faithful service. Current Chapter Regent Mary Cameron Farris noted that
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the knowledge, dedication and leadership of these two ladies have been mainstays through the chapter’s history and growth. The event was held in Dobyn’s Dining Hall on the campus of the College of the Ozarks, of which Mrs. Bailey is a devoted alumna. Pastry chefs at the Keeter Center prepared a beautiful cake to honor the distinguished members.

During World War II, Mrs. Bailey worked in Washington, D.C., sending letters and telegrams to families who lost sons serving in the Battle of the Bulge. This summer on a return trip to Washington, a chaperone accompanied Mrs. Bailey as she revisited and recalled the responsibilities she performed years ago.

Mrs. Willard, who currently serves as chapter treasurer, has held many notable positions in DAR. She has been instrumental in orchestrating the chapter’s DAR Good Citizen Essay Contest participation and President’s Tea.

Mrs. Farris, accompanied by Reba Youngblood, Katherine Anderson and Susie Rice, attended the recent Missouri DAR State Convention, at which the chapter received awards for historic preservation, growth in chapter membership and service to veterans.

Sue Scherff, regent of Temperance Smith Alston Chapter, Pinehurst, N.C., and Chapter Vice Regent Dr. Laura Spence were pleased to have several members share family heritage and antique items at the May 2012 meeting held at the Country Club of North Carolina. Chapter Historian Anne Ratcliffe displayed an afghan that she designed depicting places and events in the life of her Revolutionary ancestor, Colonel Frederick Hambright, a commander at the Battle of Kings Mountain, fought October 7, 1780. Proceeds of these afghans, which were sold to descendants, were used to place a South Carolina historical road marker in Hambright’s honor near the battleground, and also to purchase and place a private road marker at the entrance of Old Shiloh Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Hambright’s burial site. The cemetery has recently been placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The family artifacts and antiques presented at the meeting exemplified the many hours of work and dedication that Ms. Ratcliffe and other members have accomplished. Chapter members left the meeting with renewed enthusiasm for historic preservation and were inspired to further discover and preserve their rich heritage.

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Warrensburg Chapter, Warrensburg, Mo., partnered with the Martin Warren S.A.R. Chapter to dedicate a new grave marker for Revolutionary War Patriot Private Henry Brooks on May 19, 2012, in the Warrensburg Old City Cemetery. Brooks was born March 16, 1755, in Bedford City, Va. He served as
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a private in Captain Bluford’s Company, First Regiment, Maryland Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War as a substitute for his brother Samuel. He served three months as a wagoner and then re-enlisted in 1781, serving as an orderly sergeant in Captain James Hill’s Company. He guarded Tories in New London, Va., helped transfer prisoners to Nolands Ferry and was present when Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown. Brooks moved to Missouri with his wife, Elizabeth, to be close to his sons living near the Blackwater Post Office, Hazel Hill Township, Johnson County, Mo. He died January 29, 1837.

In order to support the armed services, members of the Zachariah Davies Chapter, Memphis, Tenn., voted to adopt Private Anna Morris of the United States Marine Corps during her boot camp at Paris Island. Honorary Chapter Regent Elizabeth Stoddard met Morris’ mother, who works at the cancer clinic, during her chemotherapy treatments. Morris, age 19, was struggling with being away from home and was allowed only paper mail while she was in training, so the members of the chapter showered her with cards and notes to encourage her.

Morris graduated on April 20 and flew to Memphis to be with her family. She and her mother, Amy Jackson, attended a chapter meeting shortly after their plane landed. She was presented with a gift of personal items and gift cards. Morris shared her experiences at boot camp with the group and told chapter members how much the mail they sent was appreciated—many times it brightened her day. She has kept each card and note of encouragement. She will continue her combat training in North Carolina.

District Activities

Virginia District V Director Mary Campbell Simons, Literacy Promotion Committee District Chairman Carol Howerton and DAR School Committee State Chairman Van Lee, along with District V Daughters, presented a portrait of NSDAR Centennial President General Marie Hirst Yochim to Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Director Heather Green, the staff and students of the school. The portrait will be hung in the new Yochim Classroom Building at KDS. Mrs. Yochim passed away April 19, 2012.

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D.C. Celebrates Juniors

The District of Columbia celebrated its Junior members during an afternoon barbecue in late August. Junior Membership State Chairman Annie John and some of D.C.’s most Dazzling Diamond Daughters met to relax and share memories.

The day before, the annual fall briefing featured a treasure hunt that helped members and prospective members to learn more about DAR state and national committees and the plans for the State Regent Julia Rogers’ Diamond Administration.

Kansas State Conference Focuses on Fundraising

During the 114th Annual KSDAR State Conference in Topeka, Kan., State Regent Mary Bannister Frisch encouraged state officers and Kansas Daughters to wear their lay light scarves to show support and solidarity for the DAR Library Lay Light Restoration Project, part of the President General’s Project. The Kansas Society raised more than $13,000 through generous donations by chapters and members. The Kansas Daughters understand and support the President General’s commitment to the maintenance and restoration of our beautiful historic buildings in Washington, D.C., and are delighted with the opportunity to participate in this important project. A video presentation of the lay light project was presented by Kansas Daughter and Registrar General Patricia Eddy Carpenter. The Kansas Daughters also raised money for solar panels at DAR Headquarters at the state conference. Fundraising for both of these projects is ongoing.

Massachusetts Daughters Celebrate American History

The national sixth-grade American History Essay Contest winner honored during Gala Awards Night at the 121st Continental Congress was Ilana Aronson from Brookline, Mass.
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Ilana, who was sponsored by the Hannah Goddard Chapter in Brookline, attends Pierce Elementary School. The essay topic was “Young America Takes a Stand: The War of 1812.” Ilana chose to write about Francis Scott Key because, as she wrote, “a lot of other people were just fighters and he was different from the rest because he wrote ‘The Star-Spangled Banner.’” Ilana likes to read, especially historical novels set in the United States as well as other countries. She also relishes every opportunity to write. Her family travels extensively both within the country and abroad. She is comfortable speaking Mandarin Chinese due to summer trips to Taiwan, her mother’s native country. Ilana played on an award-winning sixth-grade soccer team and enjoys swimming as well as fencing with the saber during the school year.

The Hannah Goddard Chapter American History Chairman is Eileen Tempero, the Massachusetts American History State Chairman is Sandra Burgoon and the Massachusetts State Regent is Julia Eacott.

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Old Hellebergh
The Old Hellebergh Chapter annually cleans a section of Highway along Route 20 in Guilderland, NY. Members, friends, children and HODARS all pitch in to give back to the community and environment.

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Members of the Nihanawate Chapter revised and republished the “Heroes of the American Revolution” in St. Lawrence County. The book is available for a cost of $16.50 including shipping.

Tawasettha
Members and Friends of Tawasettha Chapter have participated in the “Making Strides Against Breast Cancer” walk in Albany since 2010, raising over $500 to date.

Fort Crailo
Fort Crailo Chapter members met their ‘pen pals’ in person. They wrote to English as a Second Language students from Burma and had a luncheon with them at the school before the end of the school year.

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CENTRAL NEW YORK ROUNDTABLE
200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WAR OF 1812
BATTLE OF FORT OSWEGO 1814

Most of the War of 1812 was fought in New York State! There were battles at Plattsburgh, Niagara, and Buffalo, on the Lakes of Ontario, Erie, and Champlain with major victories at sea and along Long Island. One important result of the war was that it made us realize that our country needed a professional army and navy to protect us from foreign aggression. State militia were not able to combat British professionals. The British burned Washington, DC, but events in Europe against Napoleon saved much of our nation from total disaster. Victories in the Chesapeake, at sea, and Jackson’s victory in New Orleans kept us an independent nation. It was thought at the time, that this was our second war of independence.

The Battle of Fort Oswego was a partially successful British raid on an American fort and village in May 1814 during the War of 1812. During the early months of 1814, while Lake Ontario was frozen, the British and American naval squadrons had been building two frigates each, with which to contest command of the lake during the coming campaigning season. The British under Commodore Sir James Lucas Yeo were first to complete their frigates on 14 April, but when the Americans under Commodore Isaac Chauncey had completed their own, more powerful, frigates, Yeo’s squadron would be outclassed.

Lieutenant General Sir Gordon Drummond, the Lt. Gov. of Upper Canada, joined Yeo to attack Fort Oswego believing it was not well protected. The battle ensued but the British missed capturing guns en route to Oswego. British marines and sailors mounted an attack but failed, with 200 marines and sailors ambushed and captured at the Battle of Big Sandy Creek. Chauncey fitted out his squadron and commanded the lake from July 1814 on.

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THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE WAR OF 1812

Old Fort Niagara
Youngstown, New York

Betsy Doyle
Heroine of the War of 1812

The French Castle

Standing at the mouth of the Niagara River, Old Fort Niagara played an important role in the struggles of France, Great Britain and the United States to control access to the Great Lakes. Founded as a French outpost in 1679, the permanent fortification was established in 1726 with construction of the "French Castle." The fort was captured by the British during the French and Indian War and served as a Loyalist base during the American Revolution. In 1796, control of Fort Niagara was yielded to the United States, but British forces recaptured the fort during the War of 1812. The fort was ceded to the United States in 1815, and it served various roles as a border post, training station, barracks and prisoner of war camp until the last military units were withdrawn in 1963. Extensive restoration took place between 1926 and 1934 to save the surviving 18th century buildings with local DAR chapters working together to furnish the Council Room in the French Castle. The site was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1960.

“A Soldier’s Wife at Fort Niagara”

Courtesy of the Old Fort Niagara Association

When Andrew Doyle enlisted in the U.S. First Artillery Regiment at Fort Niagara in 1810, his wife Betsy joined him and served as a laundress or nurse for the garrison. Although Andrew was taken prisoner by the British during the Battle of Queenston Heights in October 1812, Betsy remained at the fort and played a key role in its defense. On November 21, 1812, Betsy carried red hot shot from fireplaces downstairs to cannons located on the fort’s rooftop battery during an artillery duel with British forces at Fort George. On December 18, 1813, Betsy donned a soldier’s uniform and musket to stand guard at the fort throughout the night. Barely escaping the British attack the following day, she led her four children on a 310-mile, four-month trek to the Greenbush Cantonment near Albany, NY. Serving as an army nurse until her death in 1819, Betsy was never reunited with her husband or paid for her service to the Army. Betsy Doyle was recognized as a Historic Woman of Distinction by the New York State Senate in 2012.
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Kudos to Katrina Sarlin, the D.C. DAR Magazine Committee State Chairman, who created great two-sided handouts for her recent fall briefing. One side lists reasons why members should subscribe to the magazine, and the other side gives directions for submitting a “With the Chapters” article. Mrs. Sarlin’s example has four handouts to a page. What a terrific way to present a variety of relevant information in one compact place!

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