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News from DAR Headquarters

Three Years of Friendship, Service and Commitment

The Wright Administration has accomplished much in three years and this issue of the award-winning American Spirit magazine and Daughters newsletter bears witness to the great progress made. So many have worked together to make these successes possible. From your Executive Officers and National Board of Management to every chapter regent and everyone who has served in this administration, including more than 160 staff members at DAR Headquarters, it has been a team effort, and this officer thanks each one for their participation.

We have Preserved the Past, Enhanced the Present and Invested in the Future with many projects and programs that have made a difference in the National Society, as well as in our country and abroad. For this officer, the memories will last a lifetime. From visiting with members in every state and 13 Units Overseas chapters to working with engineers and staff in order to preserve our beautiful complex of buildings by restoring the iconic glass ceiling in the DAR Library and other projects outlined in this issue, the work we have accomplished is phenomenal.

We have set records in membership growth; funding for the President General’s Project; training opportunities for members; providing special projects grants in local communities and preserving our beautiful buildings.

I feel so blessed to have had the privilege of working with so many fine people, members and staff alike. Our Society is an organization that can be proud of holding onto the values of our ancestors while keeping abreast of the changes that time brings. I feel confident that our members will continue to be in the forefront as we support the principles in the Constitution of the United States of America and as we live the American’s Creed.

This administration has been one of friendship, service and commitment. I hope it has encouraged each of you to be all you can be in service to God, Home and Country. Thank you for your support these past three years.

Merry Ann T. Wright
President General

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Every administration has its opportunity to make a unique mark on the organization. The Wright Administration, the 42nd in the history of NSDAR, takes pride in its many accomplishments. The following pages note some of the major achievements and activities of the past three years.

The President General’s Project
As its President General’s Project, the Wright Administration launched an ambitious three-fold plan to “Preserve the Past, Enhance the Present, Invest in the Future.” The Project created new initiatives and financial strategies aimed at strengthening the organization at both the Headquarters and grassroots levels for the mutual benefit of members and the communities they serve. Donations of more than $5 million, the most ever raised for one President General’s Project, funded a wide range of programs and activities, outlined below.

Preserve the Past
The “Preserve the Past” component of the President General’s Project addressed critical restoration and repair projects at DAR Headquarters. The stone exterior of the Administration Building was cleaned and restored at a cost of $730,000. The flat roofs of Memorial Continental Hall and Constitution Hall were completely replaced in spring 2011 at a cost of approximately $360,000, and more than $650,000 in further, much-needed roof replacements and repairs were undertaken this spring, including the refurbishment of the copper parapet on Constitution Hall and the siding and gutters on the third floor exterior of Memorial Continental Hall.

Indisputably, the dominant project of the Wright Administration in terms of building repair was the restoration of the DAR Library Lay Light. Much was written in different communication pieces about this project, which ultimately cost more than $1.8 million. Thanks to the generous support of members, chapters, state societies and others, the restoration was fully funded. It will be completed in time for all to view at the 122nd Continental Congress.

Enhance the Present
The President General’s Project created new membership and leadership initiatives to “Enhance the Present.” The DAR Leadership Training Committee empowered leaders at the chapter, state and national levels to maximize their effectiveness by providing them access to information and resources. The committee published a National Chairman’s Resource Guide and invigorated the annual National Chairmen’s Forum with creative interactive events such as the DAR Mall and DAR Jeopardy! Various leaders received invitations to view the 34 monthly webinars presented during the Wright Administration. These were available to members worldwide and are archived on the Members’ Website.

The Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission formed to harness the collective expertise of officers and committees related to genealogy and membership, in an effort to “Gain, Train, Retain” members. More information about the work of the commission and the associated committees appears in the Committee Corner section of this issue.

Surges in the number of applications received and new members approved provided tangible evidence of the success of the new programs. In 2011, the National Society admitted the fourth-highest number of new members in its history. That feat was surpassed in 2012, when 13,218 new members were admitted.
approved, representing the second-highest total since the organization was established. The National Society’s total membership exceeded 175,000, the target figure set at the beginning of the Wright Administration.

Despite the increase in incoming applications and supplementals, the Genealogy Department kept the turnaround time for applications at less than two months and for supplementals, less than eight months. The Office of the Organizing Secretary General continued to provide a high level of service to a growing number of chapters and members.

Gains were made in other areas as well. For instance, the magazine’s circulation count surpassed 45,000 to reach its highest level since American Spirit launched in 2001.

**Invest in the Future**

The Wright Administration created the DAR Special Projects Grants program as an exciting new avenue for the National Society to “Invest in the Future” in communities across the country. More than 500 nonprofit 501 (c) (3) organizations applied for these matching-funds grants, which support projects related to the DAR mission areas of historic preservation, education and patriotism. The investment made by these grants was twofold: They both strengthened communities throughout the nation by supporting projects that meet the DAR mission and promoted goodwill for the DAR by demonstrating the National Society’s grassroots involvement in communities. Consequently, public awareness of DAR increased exponentially.

Enthusiastic promotion at the local level was vital to the success of this new initiative. State societies, chapters and individual members spread the word about the program and encouraged local organizations to submit grant applications. The Special Projects Grants Committee, which was established to manage the program, received more than $2.5 million in grant requests. Donations to the President General’s Project enabled the National Society to award nearly $700,000 in funding for a multitude of deserving projects. For more information about the Special Projects Grants, see the Committee Corner section of this issue or visit www.dar.org/grants.

**Donations and Acquisitions**

The Wright Administration is the fifth DAR administration supported by an Office of Development, which continued to build valuable relationships with loyal Daughters to help ensure the financial stability of the National Society. Below are some of the office’s major accomplishments during the Wright Administration.

The 1890 Annual Giving Circle provided support for the NSDAR General Fund. With annual dues covering only 30 percent of the Society’s day-to-day needs, giving to the General Fund, and especially giving every year, makes an enormous impact. This prestigious circle, which included 120 members in its inaugural year of 2009, recognized more than 730 members during the Wright Administration.

Membership in the Heritage Club, which recognizes Daughters who have cumulatively donated $500 or more, saw an increase by 22 percent in three years. The outstanding generosity of our members was evident as the club membership count surpassed 11,000, an increase of more than 2,000 since the beginning of the administration.

The Founders Club, which honors individuals who have included NSDAR in their estate plans or have named NSDAR as a beneficiary of their will, trust, retirement plan or insurance policy, has experienced an increase of 120 members during the Wright Administration thus far. The club now has 500 members.

Daughters gave generous donations to the newly established Property Maintenance Fund, which helps support the conservation and upkeep of our historic DAR Headquarters and the many remarkable collections it houses.

The lower lounge of Constitution Hall was updated with a new, fresher look that includes new woodwork to cover the exposed pipes, refurbished doors, sound-reduction treatments, improved wiring and numerous other needed
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enhancements throughout the space. The lounge will soon be named the Texas Lounge in recognition of the fact that the $130,000-plus cost of renovation will have been funded by the Texas State Regent’s Project. Additionally, a donation of $128,000 from the Florida State Society contributed to the renovation and repair of the D Street drive leading to Constitution Hall, which will be renamed the Florida Drive. To complement the restoration of the lay light, the Georgia State Regent’s Project raised funds for the cleaning, rewiring, and re-gilding of the four chandeliers and numerous sconces that adorn the Library.

Via purchase as well as donations, 160 objects were added to the DAR Museum collection, among them an 18th-century microscope, a pair of samplers by twin sisters, a dress made by Charles Frederick Worth and a labeled sideboard from New York, only the second piece of furniture in the collection labeled by the maker.

Noteworthy acquisitions to the Americana Collection included an I.O.U. in the amount of five pounds, 18 shillings, and five and one-half pence from the state of Connecticut to Mr. Bliss Hart, dated June 1, 1782, and documents concerning land grants given to members of the Grevenberg family by Colonial Louisiana governors in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

The NSDAR Archives also acquired significant new items, such as an 1892 copy of a map of the world as it was known in 1500, drawn by Juan de la Cosa. Eleven copies were made in 1892 to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America. Other Archives acquisitions included bid specifications and a contract pertaining to the building of Memorial Continental Hall written and/or signed by the building’s architect, Edward Pearce Casey.

Publications

*America’s Women in the Revolutionary Era, 1760–1790: A History Through Bibliography,* biographies of NSDAR’s Four Founders as well as Mary Virginia Ellet Cabell, the only woman to serve as President Presiding.

Exhibitions, Conferences and Special Events

The DAR complex of buildings, with its historic beauty and wide variety of event spaces, continued to be one of the most desirable locations in the Washington, D.C., area for exhibits, conferences and special events. The National Society hosted many events for both members and the public during the last three years, some of the more notable of which are listed below.

During the Wright Administration, the DAR Museum presented four outstanding exhibitions: “The Furniture of John Shearer: ‘A True North Britain’”; “Try to See it My Way: Behind the Scenes at the DAR Museum”; “By, For and Of the People: Folk Art and Americana at the DAR Museum”; and “Fashioning the New Woman.” Catalogs of the folk art and New Woman exhibitions were created and sold in the DAR Museum Shop. Also, in November 2010, the DAR Museum became one of only four

DAR Museum Curator Olive Graffam, Curator General Beverly West and President General Merry Ann T. Wright greeted guests at the opening of the DAR Museum’s folk art exhibition.
museums to achieve accreditation by the American Association of Museums for the fifth time.

The Americana Room also presented several exhibitions for the benefit of visitors, including “‘A Mere Matter of Marching’: The War of 1812 in the Americana Collection” and “Almost All Kinds of Work: Work and Play in a Federal-Era Diary,” which showcases the 20-volume diary spanning 20 years in the life of Sylvia Lewis Tyler. The Americana Collection’s extraordinary collection of signatures of each signer of the Declaration of Independence became the basis of an online exhibition that includes a biography, signature and portrait for each of the 56 signers. Another online exhibit featuring Susan B. Anthony letters from the Americana Collection marked the 100th anniversary of the suffrage march held March 3, 1913, in Washington, D.C.

The DAR Christmas Open House continued to welcome members and the public from the Washington, D.C., area and beyond. In 2012, the 11th annual event drew a record attendance of 1,500 guests after it was featured on the cover of The Washington Post Weekend section. The newspaper highlighted the DAR Open House as one of the “four outings to make the most of the season.”

The DAR received exciting public exposure in 2012 when it was featured on the NBC documentary series “Who Do You Think You Are?” The Genealogy Department staff worked closely with the television production team to help actor Rob Lowe trace his lineage to a Revolutionary War-era ancestor. The episode featured scenes filmed at the DAR Library and highlighted the resources of the DAR Genealogical Research System (GRS). The Public Relations Department assisted the production team to help ensure that filming proceeded smoothly.

The general public frequently rented space at DAR Headquarters to host a variety of functions, such as corporate events, filmings and weddings. Once again DAR Headquarters was listed as one of the top venues in Washington, D.C., by Washingtonian Bride and Groom Magazine. New corporate clients included Peugeot, the American Hellenic Institute and Grinnell College, and among the repeat clients were the Austrian Embassy, Blackbaud, PricewaterhouseCoopers and American Gas. Headquarters continued to be a popular setting for photo shoots and commercials as well as scenes for episodes of the HBO comedy series “Veep,” starring Julia Louis-Dreyfus.

During the Wright Administration, Constitution Hall hosted many concerts and special events featuring a diverse group of entertainers and dignitaries, such as: President Barack Obama, Michelle Obama, Paul Simon, Janet Jackson, Duran Duran and Martha Stewart. Special events and performances included the Horatio Alger Society Awards, Taste of the South, the World Bank Board of Governors Meeting, the FBI Director’s Awards and America’s Got Talent. Among the television programs filmed at Constitution Hall were the CNN Presidential Debates and the Teen Tournament and Power Players editions of Jeopardy! Dozens of graduation ceremonies took place in the Hall as well.

Many exciting changes and enhancements were made to Continental Congress during the Wright Administration. Procedures were improved and streamlined and a number of cost-saving measures were incorporated.

Communications—in particular online communications—were increased before, during and after Congress. The Congress section of the Members’ Website was revamped to include more detailed activity and scheduling information; streaming video, with audio, was provided for all of the sessions of Congress; and electronic presentations given during committee reports were made available online after Congress. An online Congress survey was introduced to gather feedback from members, which helped further enhance aspects of Congress.

Most significantly, a number of Congress programming changes were welcomed and applauded by attendees. Reports of the State Regents were incorporated into the daytime business sessions and intermixed with the committee reports.
To put even more emphasis on the educational component of the committee meetings, forums are planned for the 122nd Continental Congress to combine workshops of the committees into their respective mission categories: history and historic preservation; membership and administration; patriotism; and education. The Gala Banquet also will be revived in the third year of the Wright Administration. It will be held at the Grand Hyatt Ballroom to help introduce members to the new Congress hotel. We look forward to welcoming Daughters to Washington, D.C., for the final Congress of the Wright Administration, where they will experience these newest changes.

**Technology**

The National Society continued to utilize technology to connect with members and the public as well as to enhance internal operations. In two stages implemented in July and October 2010, the DAR instituted electronic ordering of record copies. This largely paperless process has been highly successful, with revenue totaling more than $700,000. More than 99 percent of all record copy orders are now processed electronically in real time. Whereas once five staff positions were needed to fulfill record copy orders, due to attrition and the electronic ordering process the work is now just a small part of one staff member’s responsibilities.

The online Genealogical Education Program (GEP) launched in January 2012, replacing the Volunteer Genealogist Field Training Program. Through online, interactive courses, the GEP affords a wider audience access to the Genealogy Department’s instructional programs on how to prepare new member applications and supplementals. The three courses offered are: Introduction to Genealogy Research for DAR Applications; Applying Genealogy Research Techniques to DAR Applications; and Advanced Techniques for Resolving Problems with Lineage or Service on DAR Records. In the program’s first 14 months, more than 800 members enrolled in the first course, more than 400 of those went on to the second course, and close to 300 signed up for the third course.

The DAR’s online Genealogical Research System (GRS) was expanded to provide researchers with extensive, detailed information about the DAR collections. In coordination with the Office of the Registrar General, the Information Systems Department created and implemented a new Build-an-App function, which automatically populates an application using the GRS database.

Along with Winterthur Museum, Garden Library and the Rhode Island Historical Society, the DAR Museum served as a pilot site in the Sampler Archive Project. Directed by Lynne Anderson of the University of Oregon, the project aims to catalog all American-made samplers, with searchable images. One hundred samplers from the DAR Museum collection will be cataloged online when the archive is launched.

The Information Systems Department developed and implemented the Electronic Chapter Achievement Awards (eCAA) reporting process, saving chapters time and mailing costs and affording leaders convenient access to reports. The department also developed mobile.dar.org, a site optimized for portable devices.

An Internet wi-fi system for clients to use during events was installed in Constitution Hall. In addition, a webcasting system was added to the Hall to permit the online broadcast of events such as commencements, business meetings and Continental Congress.

Additional technological upgrades included a new graphics-capable mailing machine and handheld scanner in the mail room, and a digital microfilm reader/scanner in the Seimes Technology Center.

**Outreach**

During the Wright Administration two very successful social media initiatives were launched: the President General’s Blog and the DAR National Headquarters Facebook Page. Launched the day of Mrs. Wright’s installation, the President General’s Blog quickly became one of the National Society’s most effective communications tools. More than 4,300 people subscribe to the President General’s Blog, and Mrs. Wright posted more than 350 times, averaging twice per week, during her term of office. The most popular blog post attracted 13,830 views in one day.

The DAR National Headquarters Facebook Page amassed more than 14,000 “likes” and is constantly gaining more interest from both members and the general public. On the page people can see unique behind-the-scenes features, interesting photos and videos, and relevant news articles, and also engage in discussions about the DAR and its objectives. Information posted on Facebook reached an average of 6,000 people per post, and often many more when viewers shared the information with their friends. The top Facebook post was seen by more than 36,500 people.
Another highly effective communication tool created during the Wright Administration was the DAR News Roundup, a quarterly blast email that provides links to important Society updates and articles spotlighting Headquarters. The roundup was sent to more than 110,000 DAR members who have an email address on file with Headquarters.

The DAR Public Website remained an important communication tool and a timely source of information. For example, an Educator Resources section of the DAR Public Website was created to provide students, parents and teachers with consolidated information on the various educational programs offered by DAR. A special site was designed to provide updates on the lay light restoration project as well.

A combined effort between Genealogy and the DAR Library resulted in NSDAR re-establishing a presence at national genealogical conferences, both as an exhibitor and with a lecture position, after an absence of five years.

The DAR Museum seized opportunities to share its collections and expertise with members, local residents, tourists and children. The Museum continued its Colonial Camp and Fun Family Saturdays programs and in 2012 held its first Junior History Camp, co-sponsored by the National Park Service. Through participation in the D.C. Arts and Humanities Council’s Art for Every Student program and membership with Cultural Tourism D.C., the Museum gained increased exposure.

The DAR Museum was represented in the “Great Washington Museums Celebrate Great Women Artists” exhibit at the National Museum of Women in the Arts with a portrait by Ruth Henshaw Bascom, and its snuff box collection was featured in the Washington Post Magazine.

**DAR Staff**

Approximately 150 full-time, part-time and on-call employees comprise the NSDAR staff. As vacancies arose, some positions were filled with existing staff or restructured to alleviate the need for additional personnel. NSDAR welcomed more than 35 new staff members, and new employee orientation programs were held approximately three times per year. Additionally, the National Society sponsored four high-school seniors as interns through the Urban Alliance Foundation.

Employee training and development continued to be a priority for NSDAR. Staff members were provided with ongoing opportunities to attend training to strengthen the skills needed to succeed in their positions. Employees participated in various professional development exercises, including computer software training, numerous webinars and several on-site seminars. A total of 47 employees became CPR/AED (Defibrillator) certified—28 in October 2010 and 19 in October 2012.

In addition to training, employee recognition was emphasized. Forty-eight employees received Spot Awards, which show appreciation to staff members who have put forth effort that goes beyond their normal assigned job responsibilities. The annual Employee Service Awards program was held each year during the week of February Board. A total of 79 staff members were recognized for service milestones ranging from five to 40 years. Following the ceremonies, honorees enjoyed special service awards luncheons hosted by the President General and the Executive Officers.

Other employee activities and events included ice cream socials, the annual employee holiday party in December, monthly employee lunches at which staff members share feedback regarding the workplace, and the opportunity to view fireworks from Headquarters on Independence Day. Through the employee benefits program, confidential counseling resources also remained available to employees dealing with a variety of work and life issues.

**Other**

The Office of the Recording Secretary General updated the comprehensive database of rulings to include all Executive Committee rulings throughout the history of the Society, and National Board of Management rulings dating to the mid-1980s, with plans to input all rulings adopted by the National Board. This improved database allowed leadership to make informed decisions for the National Society.

The membership application was revised. Effective July 1, 2012, the National Society discontinued the use of the short...
form for application papers and supplemental papers. Special certificates for new ancestors for both new applications and supplemental applications were offered at a cost of $15. New members continued to receive an official membership certificate at no charge.

The Office of the Historian General scanned all architectural drawings in the collection and continued to rehabilitate damaged archival photographs. Archivists also prepared or updated various finding aids. An appraisal of the Americana Collection was begun to determine the value of items in the collection for insurance purposes.

The Office of the Reporter General continued to provide support and assistance to many committee chairmen; manage nominations for various awards, such as the Founders Medals, as well as applications for DAR Scholarships; and oversee the printing and distribution of Congress certificates.

**Office of the Chaplain General**

**Necrology Report**

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

Sarah McKelley King (Mrs. Walter Hughey Sr.) on February 20, 2013. Mrs. King, Honorary President General, served as President General from 1983–1986, as Curator General from 1971–1974 and as Tennessee State Regent from 1968–1971. She was a member of Colonel Hardy Murfree Chapter.

Jacqueline Hugon Maitrot (Madame Alain) on January 13, 2013. Madame Maitrot served as France State Regent from 1978–1980. She was a member of Rochambeau Chapter.


**DAR MUSEUM**

**FEATURED OBJECT**

Worn by an art teacher in Minnesota, this silk day dress with a pale pink, mint green and black color palette shows artistic taste and a sense of style for its day. Every feature was current for 1903–1904, when it was made. The draped front of the bodice helps create the fashionable S-curve of the period. Its high neck, deep cuffs and bishop sleeves were all stylish for just a few years after 1900, as were many-flounced skirts and bolero jackets. At some point, a slit was opened at the neck to release some of the gathers in the bodice to make it suitable for a larger person to wear. This dress, along with a wide range of historical fashions, is on display in the DAR Museum exhibition “Fashioning the New Woman,” which runs through August 31, 2013.

**Genealogy Queries**

Cost per word: $1. Make check payable to Treasurer General, NSDAR and mail with query to the DAR Magazine Office, 1776 D Street NW, Washington, DC 20006–5303. Please keep in mind that all words count, including name and address. Anyone doing genealogical research, including DAR members and nonmembers, may submit a query for publication. If you would like an acknowledgment that we have received your query, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped postcard along with your copy and payment.

**CAHO:** Any information about lineage of Roger or Thomas Caho. Both were in (Maryland) Revolutionary War.

Email VNS639@gmail.com.
National Board of Management Meeting
FEBRUARY 2, 2013

A FULL VERSION OF THE MINUTES of the National Board of Management is available on 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.

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 9:00 a.m. on February 2, 2013, 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 Registrant General, Patricia Eddy Carpenter.

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


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

The Recording Secretary General reported on the approval of the minutes from the December 8, 2012, meeting of the National Board of Management. The minutes were approved by Joan Hunter, Shari Throne-Sulima, and Deborah Davis.

There being no objection, Jean Vaughan, Gretta Archer, and Virginia Lingelbach were appointed to approve the minutes of this meeting.

The President General gave her report.

The First Vice President General, Beverly Woodruff Jensen, gave her report.

The Chaplain General, Laura Marcella Reid, was unable to attend. Her report was filed.

The Recording Secretary General, Lynn Forney Young, gave her report.

The Corresponding Secretary General, Sally Napier Bueno, gave her report.

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

Report of the Registrar General
December 8, 2012–February 2, 2013

Application papers received .................. 1,825
Application papers verified .................. 2,210
Junior Members approved .................... 421
Applications reviewed
date..........................December 10, 2012
Applications pending
as of this date..........................1,736
Application papers returned
unresolved..........................12
Supplemental papers received ............. 855

Supplemental papers verified.............. 796
Supplementals reviewed
date..........................May 29, 2012
Supplemental papers pending as of
date..........................4,078
Supplemental papers returned
unresolved..........................82
Total number of papers (APPS and SUPPS) verified..........................3,006
Number of letters written requesting
additional data needed..................721
Number of New Ancestors (APPS and SUPPS) verified..................62
Last DAR National Number
issued..................................................916173
Patricia Eddy Carpenter
Registrar General

The Registrar General moved “to accept into membership in the National Society the 2,210 applicants whose records have been verified by the Registrar General.” Adopted.

The Organizing Secretary General, Jean Dixon Mann, moved “the reinstatement of 169 members.” Adopted.

The Organizing Secretary General gave her report.

Report of the Organizing Secretary General
Deceased ..........................523
(December 6, 2012 through January 31, 2013)
Resigned ..........................38
(December 6, 2012 through January 31, 2013)
Reinstatements ..........................169
(December 6, 2012 through February 2, 2013)

Due to a vacancy in the Montana State Society, the incoming State Vice Regent,
Catherine Teed Lane, is presented for confirmation.

Through the Hawaii State Regent has come a request for an exception for a member, Caitilin Herrick Embree, to serve as State Vice Regent.

Through their respective state regents the following members at large are presented for appointment as organizing regents: Patricia Ide Minnis, Show Low, Arizona; Billye C. Jackson, Shepherdsville, Kentucky; Kelly K. Gardner, Shoreview, Minnesota.

Through their respective state regents have come requests for the authorization of chapters to organize in: Lawrenceburg, Indiana; St. Martinville, Louisiana.

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 for two (2) chapter first vice regents; location change for two (2) chapters; merging of two (2) chapters; official disbandment of two (2) chapters; automatic disbandment of one (1) chapter; confirmation of three (3) chapters.

Adopted.

The following chapters have met all the requirements according to the National Bylaws and are presented for confirmation: John & Hattie Possum, De Soto, Kansas; Firelands, Vermillion, Ohio; Bosque River Valley, Meridian, Texas.

Jean Dixon Mann
Organizing Secretary General

The following chapters are presented:
The Organizing Secretary General moved “the confirmation of one (1) State Vice Regent; the appointment of thee (3) organizing regents; authorization of two (2) chapters; exception of time in a term of office for two (2) six-year chapter regents; 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 two (2) chapters; merging of two (2) chapters; official disbandment of two (2) chapters; automatic disbandment of one (1) chapter; confirmation of three (3) chapters.”

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Adopted.

The Treasurer General, Sarah Potts Voll, gave her report.

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

The Historian General, Ann Arnold Hunter, gave her report.

The Librarian General, Joan MacInnes Hunter, gave her report.

The Curator General, Beverly Dardene West, gave her report.

The Reporter General, Jean Whatley Vaughan, gave her report.

The Recording Secretary General, Lynn Forney Young, gave the report of the Executive Committee for meetings held January 28–February 2, 2013.

Report of the Executive Committee

It is a pleasure to share some of the activities of the Executive Committee this week.

During our meetings this week, reports have been presented from the Administrator, Controller, Development Director, Human Resources Director and the Finance Committee Chairman.

The Executives enjoyed visiting with employees from other offices during the luncheon following the employee service awards.

Librarian General Joan Hunter hosted a formal luncheon on Wednesday featuring a Thanksgiving meal using the recipes, traditions and photographs of the MacInnes family.

Transition training for the candidates for Executive Office was held Wednesday and Thursday which included one-on-one orientation with the Wright Executives.

Further action included the following: Researching a closed patriot’s line through the Cold Closed Cases project now qualifies for the Lineage Research Volunteers hours.

Two of our treasured quilts will be loaned to the “House and Home” exhibition at the National Building Museum.

The price of the Wedgewood plates embossed with Memorial Continental Hall has been reduced to $75. They would make excellent gifts for your conference speakers!

Hamilton Jewelers has been authorized to design a pin for the Connecticut Juniors Club and the North Carolina Chapter Regents Club.

The DAR Project Patriot Committee has been authorized to spend $38,000 to purchase Target and Dunkin’ Donuts gift cards, phone cards, duffel bags, pillows and backpacks.

Through the generous support of the Friends of the DAR Schools Fund, the following distributions will be made: Kate Duncan Smith DAR School ($13,925) for post-secondary support, middle school equipment and Timpani heads and covers; Crossnore School ($18,720) for a family nurse practitioner; Hindman Settlement School, Inc. ($15,000) for the Dyslexia Program; Berry College ($8,000) for four interpretive markers; Hillside School ($7,220) for art program equipment;
Tamassee DAR School ($13,835.65) for Technology Support Services.

Additionally, distributions were made from the Ella Atwell Fund as follows: Tamassee DAR School ($34,423.57) for the purpose of partially funding the salary and operational expenses of the Buildings and Grounds Department for the first quarter 2013; Kate Duncan Smith DAR School ($14,711.78) for the purpose of partially funding the maintenance staff for the first quarter 2013; Crossnore School ($19,711.78) for the purpose of partially funding the salary of a substance abuse therapist with clinical addiction certification.

The total distribution to the schools for this meeting is $145,547.78.

Lynn Forney Young
Recording Secretary General

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

“"To authorize for interstate sale the Preamble to the United States Constitution in Grade 1 and Grade 2 Braille for $3.50 to be sold by the Newton Chapter of Newton, KS. The signed Authorization Agreement for Interstate Sale is on file.

Rationale: To make available to chapters, teachers/instructors and other parties a teaching resource tool that will benefit the blind or visually impaired by furthering their education in American history while learning to read Braille." Adopted.

“"To amend NB #6 October 6, 2012, regarding the Chapter Achievement Award form by inserting in Section 5 Optional Contributions ‘Friends of Property Maintenance.’

Rationale: Friends of Property Maintenance was inadvertently left off of the form approved in October.

Editorial Note: Any changes to the committee structure or names approved today will be reflected editorially on the 2013 Chapter Achievement Award Form.” Adopted.

“"To establish a policy that all national vice chairmanships are established and eliminated by the Executive Committee. All appointments are made by the President General.” Adopted.

Proposed amendments to NSDAR’s committee structure were adopted.

Additional information on these changes will be forthcoming.

The Finance Committee National Chairman, Dr. Sherry Edwards, made an additional presentation relevant to the Board’s discussion of proposed Bylaws amendments.

Proposed amendments to the Bylaws for recommendation to Continental Congress were discussed and adopted. They will be distributed to the chapters as prescribed in Article XXI, Section 1. (a) of the National Bylaws.

The Registrar General gave the closing and luncheon prayers.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Lynn Forney Young
Recording Secretary General

Minutes Approved, February 2, 2013
Jean Vaughan
Gretta Archer
Virginia Lingelbach

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**Independence Day Parade**

If you are interested in joining the DAR in the Washington, D.C., Independence Day Parade on July 4, 2013, please contact Bridget Ward Perez at bridget_dar@yahoo.com by June 15.

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2) Biscuit Jar: This large elegant, 7 ½-inch high, 1-quart biscuit jar engraved with the image of Memorial Continental Hall comes in a blue gift box—$150

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Financial Development

We Want to Thank You at the 122nd Continental Congress!

Each year the National Society hosts more than 3,000 Daughters and their friends and family at Continental Congress. The Office of Development is pleased to take this time to recognize the many generous in-kind and financial contributions of our Daughters at the following events:

**Gift Acceptance Ceremony**  
Tuesday, June 25, 1–1:50 p.m.  
O’Byrne Gallery, 1st Floor, Memorial Continental Hall

Please join us for a presentation of items donated to the National Headquarters and funded by DAR states, chapters and individuals. This event is open to the public, so come early to get a glimpse of these special treasures.

**Dedication of the Lay Light and the Lay Light Restoration Recognition Plaque**  
Tuesday, June 25, immediately following the Gift Acceptance Ceremony  
DAR Library, 1st Floor, Memorial Continental Hall

Celebrate the completion of the DAR Library Lay Light Restoration project as the restored DAR Library Lay Light is rededicated and the Lay Light Restoration Recognition Plaque is unveiled. This event is open to the public.

**Heritage Club Brunch for Topaz Level Members**  
Wednesday, June 26, 8–11 a.m.  
O’Byrne Gallery, 1st Floor, Memorial Continental Hall

The Heritage Club honors members who have given cumulative donations of $500 or more to the National Society. Topaz Level members can purchase tickets to the Heritage Club Brunch for $28, and Pearl–Diamond Level members can purchase tickets to the Heritage Club Luncheon for $48. Space is extremely limited for both events, and reservations are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Please return the reply card you received with your invitation, along with payment, to the Office of Development by Friday, May 31, 2013, or call the office to inquire about your standing in the Heritage Club.

**Heritage Club Luncheon for Pearl–Diamond Level Members**  
Wednesday, June 26, 12–1 p.m.  
Banquet Hall, 3rd Floor, Memorial Continental Hall

For more information about any of these events or to RSVP, please contact the Office of Development at (800) 449-1776 or development@dar.org.

**Founders Club Reception and Dinner**  
Thursday, June 27, 4:30–6:45 p.m.  
Willard InterContinental, 1401 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20004

This event honors the members of the Founders Club, a giving society recognizing legacy gifts. Each Founders Club member has the opportunity to purchase one guest ticket for $100. Guest seating is limited, so please RSVP before Monday, June 3, 2013. To inquire about joining the Founders Club, please contact the Office of Development.

Daughters enjoyed donor appreciation events at the 121st Continental Congress.
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.

**DAR Museum 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 the 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” square and 2” deep.— $28.99

**DAR Library Lay Light Counted Cross Stitch Kit:** This pattern with 18-count fabric and floss was made exclusively for the DAR Museum Shop by The Posy Collection. Finished size: 9" by 10". This cross stitch kit recreates one of the lay light panels in the magnificent glass ceiling of the DAR Library, located in Memorial Continental Hall.— $16

**Quilt Scarf:** This beautiful blue-and-white, rectangular scarf is based upon the design of the oldest quilt in the DAR Museum collection, which was pictured as the June quilt in the 2012 DAR calendar.— $65

**Wedgwood Collector Plate** commissioned by NSDAR features traditional Wedgwood design and workmanship and depicts Memorial Continental Hall in blue and white jasper. The plate, which is made in England, includes a commemorative inscription and a decorative gift box. Limited quantities available—this item will not be reproduced! — $75

**ORDERING INFORMATION**

To place an order, please call the DAR Museum Shop at (202) 879–3208 or email 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. Sales tax (currently at 6%) will be added to orders shipped to Washington, D.C. To view other items sold at the shop, please visit our website at www.dar.org/omni/store/MuseumShop.cfm and click Museum Shop in the column at the left.

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Committee Achievements of the Wright Administration

Administrative Committees
The administrative committees were created to assist with the operations of NSDAR Headquarters.

PROTOCOL
National Chairman: Bonnie W. Ranieri
This chairman received many questions in the last three years. Some were easy to answer and others required a consultation with the President General, but all questions were answered either by phone or email. The Official Protocol and Procedures Manual was revised with the help and support of Executive Liaison Chaplain General Laura Reid. The new manual can be viewed on the Members’ Website for the first time. Many members have commented about how much easier it is to read and understand.

This chairman has enjoyed serving the National Society in this position.

Standing Committees
In order to maintain the forward progress of the National Society and the best possible use of its assets, the work of the finance-based standing committees utilizes technology and current market information.

AUDITING
National Chairman: Nelly G. Shearer
The NSDAR Auditing Committee met twice annually with the engagement partner and engagement manager of CliftonLarsonAllen Certified Public Accountants. The auditors shared their plans for verifying their procedures for determining accuracy of data in their audit process. Following the completion of each annual audit, the meeting covered their opinion on the accuracy of materials they verified. I am pleased to report that the auditors have reported excellent results for the first two years. They were especially complimentary of the Society’s internal controls. The short year audit for the period March 1, 2012, through December 31, 2012, (to change the reporting year to a calendar year) is in process. The committee appreciates the work of NSDAR Controller Susan Kinnecom and the support of its Executive Liaison, Treasurer General Sarah Voll.

BYLAWS
National Chairman: Bea W. Dalton
This chairman and the members of the Bylaws Committee prepared proposed amendments based on suggestions received. The committee chairman presented proposed amendments to the bylaws for consideration by the voting members of Continental Congress. Each year all proposed amendments were submitted to the Executive Committee and approved by the National Board of Management prior to having been sent to all chapters in accordance with the National Bylaws. Each year the Bylaws Committee held an open meeting at which members could discuss and ask questions about the proposed bylaw amendments.

Sincere appreciation is expressed to the Executive Liaison to this committee, Organizing Secretary General Jean Dixon Mann, and the advisor to the committee, National Parliamentarian Carole Drake Belcher, PRP, for their valued advice and assistance.

DAR LEADERSHIP TRAINING
National Chairman: Donna M. Elin
Each year, this committee successfully ensured that State Regents received valuable information from National Committees and the DAR Headquarters. The committee focused on leaders and delivered a total of 34 webinars that were accessible to all members worldwide. More than 200,000 Daughters in leadership positions were invited by email. Survey responses indicate the webinars are an effective tool for improving the quality of our chapter and state leadership.

Webinars with the highest attendance were: Build-an-App; My Application Goes to Washington; Chapter Achievement Awards; DAR in Curls and PJs; New Deadlines, Reports and Forms!; and Welcome from Our President General. Viewers received handouts, participated in polls and provided feedback. Webinars are recorded and available for anytime viewing. The webinar archives welcomed 5,500 hits. Most-viewed archived webinars were: DAR 101; Connecting through the WWWWires; DAR Genie 101; Chapter Budgets, Dues and Financial Statements; and Managing a Chapter Meeting.

DEVELOPMENT
National Chairman: Cynthia S. Buttorff
During the Wright Administration, the Development Committee prepared and submitted revised Gift Acceptance Policies and Procedures. The committee also made recommendations to the Executive Committee to update and clarify membership criteria for the Founders Club, Heritage Club and 1890 Annual Giving Circle, which included permitting chapters and state societies to be members of...
the 1890 Annual Giving Circle. The Development Committee recommended the retention of the Heritage Club Brunch and Luncheon as attendee-paid events to reinforce the shared commitment of our donors to NSDAR and its mission. The committee assisted the Office of Development in presenting these donor events. This committee also collaborated with the Finance Committee to provide recommendations to the Executive Committee on special projects involving the administration of special and major gifts to NSDAR. The Development Committee further supported the Office of Development in the record-setting collection of monies for the President General’s Project and General Fund.

FINANCE
National Chairman: Sherry Edwards

The Finance Committee’s principal objective during the Wright Administration was to improve the financial stability of the National Society. Following significant work in the last administration to cut expenses, the committee undertook a comprehensive review of all fees and suggested necessary adjustments. It recommended cost-conscious budgets with realistic revenue assumptions and monitored revenue and expense developments relative to those budgets. It focused primarily on unrestricted budget developments because unrestricted receipts fund NSDAR’s operations and their associated costs. Generous unrestricted donations and bequests from members supported revenue during a difficult economic environment. Further staff cuts and other cost-containment moves slowed expense growth. Unfortunately, operating revenue has not covered both operating expenses and depreciation since 2009; the shortfall was $1 million in 2012. The committee reluctantly concluded that it would be necessary to recommend a bylaws amendment to increase dues because other revenue sources were unlikely to erase the shortfall.

INVESTMENT
National Chairman: Sarah P. Voll

The Investment Committee monitors the investment funds of the National Society, meets regularly with the Society’s investment advisors, and makes changes in asset allocations as necessary. At the beginning of the administration, the committee reviewed the NSDAR Spending Rate Policy and the Investment Policy. Each year, it reviewed and modified the asset allocations. During the current administration, the committee reassessed its portfolio strategy, evaluated the investment management relationship and effected a change in the Society’s investment advisors.

PROPERTY BEAUTIFICATION AND HOSPITALITY
National Chairman: Margaret A. Grieve

The Property Beautification and Hospitality Committee is tasked with maintaining the House Beautiful built by our Founders and creating a welcoming sense of hospitality. During the past three years, funds have been raised to: renovate the Texas Kitchen and Banquet Hall; restore the original light fixtures in Memorial Continental Hall; reframe the portraits and applications of the four Founders; and redecorate the powder room in the President General’s Reception Room. The committee also cleaned and restored all of the beautiful dollhouses in Memorial Continental Hall. Outside, pansies were planted in the fall and impatiens in the spring. Committee members served 69 Executive lunches and 15 National Board of Management Lunches—a total of 2,210 meals! The committee decorated the exterior and interior of our buildings and served cookies, punch and hot chocolate to a total of 2,700 Christmas Open House visitors!

This committee of Daughters who love our buildings is proud of its part in keeping our House Beautiful!

RESOLUTIONS
National Chairman: Anna H. Schoenenberger

During the first two years of the Wright Administration, the Resolutions Committee reviewed 61 resolutions submitted by 18 states and four chapters/individuals. Resolutions for 2013 had a May 1 deadline. Every effort was made to prepare a resolution representing each of the mission areas of the National Society: historic preservation, education, patriotism and national defense.

The inclusion of resolutions on the Chapter Achievement Award form increased interest in the process. As more chapters and states participated, resolutions became more substantive and served to educate our members on current issues facing the nation.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the Wright Administration with such an intelligent, talented and committed group of women who have given many hours of dedicated service to the reading, research and preparation of resolutions for presentation.

National Committees

AMERICAN HERITAGE
National Chairman: Pauline T. Bartow

The annual exhibit of winners was held in the DAR Museum Gallery, a wonderful improvement over the former location,
Committee Corner

which was cramped and difficult to find. Funding from NSDAR made possible the purchase of two quilt display racks and five easels for use during the exhibit.

A pin was approved for all national first-, second- and third-place winners. All Evelyn Cole Peters Award winners were recognized with engraved pewter Jefferson cups presented by the President General.

The Women in the Arts Recognition Award was instituted to honor any woman who has made significant achievements in her artistic field. The award allows chapters and states to use this committee to help tell the DAR story in their communities.

Fiber Arts stepped closer to conforming to the judging system used by the other categories; standards for the Evelyn Cole Peters Award were strengthened; and a new Historic Costume category was added.

**AMERICAN HISTORY**  
*National Chairman: Janeal N. Shannon*

During the past three years this committee has invested in the future by working with more than 160,000 schoolchildren across the country who participated in the American History and Christopher Columbus essay contests. For the first time, monetary awards were presented to second- and third-place national winners of the American History Essay Contest. Middle-school students learned about Paul Revere, celebrated the War of 1812, and remembered Patriots who are often forgotten and unrecognized. High-school students learned to appreciate the courage and faith of Christopher Columbus as they studied his successes and responses to adversity that had an impact on our own history.

More women than ever before were honored with much-deserved accolades through the Outstanding Women in American History Awards.

Thanks to the chapter, state, division and national vice chairmen who made it happen!

**AMERICAN INDIANS**  
*National Chairman: Ellen K. White*

As the Wright Administration is coming to an end, this committee reflects on three years of exceptional chapter and state reports. Members’ great ideas have fueled their work for this committee and benefited the American Indians. Scholarships have been awarded each year to 21 students through generous donations from members. Bacone College and Chemawa Indian School have been enriched by all the work the members have done for both schools.

Each year at Congress the American Indians Luncheon included an auction, with the proceeds helping to fund scholarships, schools and the youth camps. The American Indian Youth Camps continued to grow with the help of chapters. The camps provide students with knowledge, fun and enjoyment they otherwise would not get to experience.

I would like to thank my Executive Liaison, Reporter General Jean Vaughan, and all members for their help and support to this committee.

**AMERICANISM**  
*National Chairman: Pamela R. Wright*

The Americanism Committee approved 34 DAR Medals of Honor and 48 Americanism Medals during this administration. Seven recommendations were referred to the Founders’ Medal Awards. Rating sheets were created for submission with each recommendation to clarify the qualifications for each award.

The *DAR Manual for Citizenship* was enhanced with recommendations submitted by members. The manual continues to be available online. Chapters promoted patriotism by attending naturalization ceremonies; attending school ceremonies; distributing American flags and flag pins; riding in parades; and participating in community events. Support for our military was strong with patriotic send-offs, welcome home ceremonies, parades and community events all across America.

Approximately 650 certificates were awarded to chapters for outstanding activities.

**CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**  
*National Chairman: LeAnn F. Turbyfill*

The Chapter Achievement Awards underwent a significant change during this administration. Thanks to assistance of the Information Systems Department, chapters now have the capability of reporting using the electronic Chapter Achievement Awards (eCAA) form. No longer are duplicate copies of properly signed report forms required as long as those chapter leaders having eMembership access complete the eCAA by the reporting deadline of February 1. Time, copying and mailing costs are saved.

State treasurers, state chairmen and national division vice chairmen can access the eCAA, simplifying their reporting tasks. While 75 percent of chapters reported electronically in 2011, this figure is expected to be significantly higher in 2012S.

Additionally, the report form now reflects the focus of the chapter contributions requirement on broadly defined mission objectives rather than individual restricted funds, thus allowing the National Society to direct funds to current projects with the highest mission-area priorities.

**CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**  
*National Chairman: Ann T. Schaeffer*

During the Wright Administration, DAR chapters across the country enhanced the circles of friendship, service and commitment with their continued support and enthusiasm for our C.A.R. youth, creating opportunities for support and growth for both organizations.

Daughters served as C.A.R. senior leaders and enrolled their children, grandchildren and other young people in...
C.A.R. DAR members also supported and participated in the National President’s programs and national projects: Magnificent Valor: The Beginnings of Freedom, the restoration of the Great Essentials Exhibit at Independence Hall; Living the American Dream, Fisher House Foundation; and Saratoga: The Turning Point, the Sword Surrender Site Project at Saratoga National Historical Park.

Chapters invited C.A.R. societies to present programs, participate in DAR events, and participate in DAR youth contests. Young ladies of the C.A.R. were encouraged to become active members of DAR chapters, in which they served as chairmen and officers, including chapter regent.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS
National Chairman: Shelby A. Whitson

This committee recognizes worthy individuals in local communities for outstanding volunteer services performed within the last five years and for which no compensation was received. During the 2010–2011 year, chapters in 46 states presented 394 certificates and pins; in 2011–2012, chapters in 43 states presented 394 certificates and pins; in the year 2012S, chapters in 41 states plus four state societies presented 285 Community Service Awards. A chapter may present two awards per NSDAR year, and all chapters are encouraged to do so. In the years 2011 and 2012, through a judging process, recipients were recognized at Continental Congress. Returning to the original intent of the committee, in the summer of 2012 procedures were implemented which eliminated all judging. State chairmen approve all recommendations and report to the national chairman. All recipients are winners! There is no further judging on the state, division or national levels.

CONSERVATION
National Chairman: Julie E. Theroux

During this administration, the National Society presented 123 NSDAR Conservation Awards honoring such notables as Christine Thomas, founder of the Becoming an Outdoor Woman program, and Janice Cousteau, co-founder of Echo International. The state chairmen have updated the DAR State Forest information on the website.

This committee worked with the National Headquarters staff to reduce the buildings’ energy consumption, thus saving hundreds of thousands of dollars, as well as natural resources. The staff installed LED lights in various locations in Constitution Hall and Memorial Continental Hall, and also installed motion detectors where they are practical. Vending misers were installed on four vending machines in the lunchroom. The recycling message is strong and growing within our National Headquarters. To aid in the reduction of disposal costs and purchasing of supplies, 12 new Dyson hand dryers have been installed. It has been an honor and pleasure to work with the staff at DAR Headquarters, especially Steve Nordholt, Valerie Holmes and Dave Coppedge.

CONSTITUTION WEEK
National Chairman: Constance H. Grund

The Constitution Week Committee enjoyed a successful three-year term of educating, commemorating and celebrating the U.S. Constitution. Chapters and states across the country spent thousands of hours each September 17–23 presenting programs, ringing bells, reading proclamations, making public service announcements, and educating children and adults on the importance of reading the Constitution and knowing our rights.

The chapters moved into the field of multimedia, often creating a multi-faceted approach to sending a message across a community or state. They utilized cable TV and radio, created DVDs, and posted information on billboards, message boards and digital sign boards, while continuing to use handouts, posters and town displays.

The committee’s two most exciting events were the NSDAR trip to Philadelphia to commemorate the 225th anniversary of the signing and ratification of the U.S. Constitution and making the forgotten Constitution Flag available to every state society.

DAR GOOD CITIZENS
National Chairman: Patricia A. West

Chapter and state chairmen and national division vice chairmen contributed greatly to the success of the DAR Good Citizens program, and to preserving the past, enhancing the present, and investing in the future. Thank you all for your efforts.

Thousands of schools and students, including both new and former participants, took part in the DAR Good Citizens program. Excellent discussions that took place at Continental Congress committee meetings, via email and by phone led to improved processes for chapters and schools. This year, for the first time, students used computers to write their essays. Feedback has been 100-percent positive. Essay directions were clarified and shortened. Cash awards to students from chapters and states continued to be
generous, and local DAR Good Citizens were honored at chapter or school award programs.

Communication among DAR members improved through the use of email groups and a private group on Facebook.

DAR LIBRARY
National Chairman: Joan M. Hunter
Daughters continued to recognize the need to support our DAR Library through the DAR Library Committee. During the Wright Administration, chapters demonstrated creative ways to Preserve the Past, Enhance the Present, and Invest in the Future of our world-class DAR Library. Chapters held fundraisers, sold used books, contributed to Dimes for Seimes and promoted the needs of the Library through creative chapter programs. Generous donations qualified 65 individuals, chapters or states to purchase the Friends of the Library pin, and 98 individuals, chapters or states to purchase the Friends of Seimes Technology Center pin.

DAR MAGAZINE
National Chairman: Pamela S. Marshall
We are delighted to report that the DAR Magazine has exceeded the subscription goal of 45,000 set at the beginning of the Wright Administration! The March/April 2013 mail count of 45,038 represents the highest count since the launch of American Spirit 12 years ago! In both 2011 and 2012, combined advertising revenue for American Spirit magazine and Daughters newsletter exceeded ad revenue posted in 2010.

American Spirit was honored in the esteemed APEX (Awards for Publishing Excellence) competition during every year of the Wright Administration: with an Award of Excellence in the Custom-Published Magazines and Journals category in 2010; a prestigious Grand Award in the Nonprofit Magazines and Journals category in 2011; and with both a Grand Award for the March/April 2012 issue and an Award of Excellence for Feature Writing for the July/August 2011 article “The Book of Lives” in 2012. The DAR Magazine continued its award-winning tradition while creating well-informed, enthusiastic members who make a difference.

DAR MUSEUM
National Chairman: Beverly D. West
The DAR Museum Docents acquired new name tags for daily use and sashes for special events. Docents provided tours for more than 11,400 visitors.

The DAR Museum Committee created formal policies and procedures related to correspondent docents and converted PowerPoint programs used by the correspondent docents to DVD format.

The Exhibition Fund was eliminated. The NSDAR General Fund was designated as the source of funding for all exhibitions, educational programs and publications.

DAR SCHOLARSHIP
National Chairman: Sharon C. Nettles
The DAR Scholarship Committee helped deserving students receive a higher education. During the Wright Administration, positive changes were made to the application process. The requirement for chapter sponsorship was removed and the application form was streamlined and placed on the DAR Public Website, making it easier for applicants to apply and increasing public awareness of the DAR Scholarship program. The DAR Public Website was updated to include current forms and scholarship requirements.

The Members’ Website was updated to include a fact sheet, the application form, the financial need form, and the state chairman and chapter information sheet. A general scholarship, the Richard and Elizabeth Dean Scholarship, was established for graduating high-school seniors with a GPA of at least 3.75, making a total of 21 scholarships offered by this committee. The deadline date for all scholarship applications was changed to February 15. An educational workshop was held at each Continental Congress.

DAR SCHOOL
National Chairman: Donna M. Raymond
What an exciting three years it has been for the DAR School Committee! All DAR School campuses saw new construction projects and the preservation of historical buildings. Assistance was given for music and art programs, electronics, campus security measures, sports, and many other projects requested by the schools.

The Friends of DAR Schools Fund was re-established to make possible distributions to the schools three times a year. From this fund alone more than $300,000 was distributed. DAR School Scholarships were awarded to students, and the funds from numerous bequests and endowments were distributed to benefit the schools. The beautiful school balloon pins broke another record through the generous donations from Daughters, totaling more than $100,000, which was divided among the schools.
Our schools are diverse, and each is unique in its own way. Thank you for all of your support.

**DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS**

*National Chairman: Patricia A. Hance*

During the Wright Administration this committee continued to work in Veteran Affairs facilities, state facilities and clinics serving in all areas. Daughters gave their time, energy, gifts and money to improve veterans’ lives. Members took part in Operation Stand Down events, served meals, read to patients, provided Valentine and Christmas parties, made lap robes and bibs, and accomplished much more.

The committee established a new national program: DAR Maternity Support for Female Veterans. Members give gift baskets, along with a handwritten note, to female veterans and their newborn babies. Also, a business card that members can print and give to veterans to thank them for their service to our country was created. The template is on the committee website. Donations were given to the Friends of Veterans Fund to help support veterans’ programs.

**THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

*National Chairman: Virginia A. Poffenberger*

The Flag of the United States of America Committee works to keep the United States flag flying, to protect it under all conditions and to educate citizens regarding its correct usage. To that end, in the first two years of the Wright Administration the committee distributed more than 100,000 Flag Code leaflets; attended nearly 5,000 flag-related events; presented almost 300,000 flags to individuals, groups and organizations; donated 560 Braille flags, many to sight-impaired veterans; awarded nearly 10,000 certificates; and involved more than 100,000 young people in flag-related programs and events. Several of the aforementioned areas of activity saw substantial increases in chapter participation in 2012 compared to the previous year. Of greatest interest to this chairman is the increased number of Braille flags presented. It would be wonderful if every sight-impaired veteran had his or her own Braille flag.

**GENEALOGICAL RECORDS**

*National Chairman: Beverly A. Przybylski*

During the Wright Administration 214 GRC Reports were added to the DAR Library collection, which now holds approximately 19,500 volumes.

Members used innovative ways to promote records collections projects, including California’s outstanding Bible records project and Nebraska’s effort to collect a different record each month. One chapter created a living history program from a cemetery transcription project. Chapters sought to preserve uncommon records, such as pension payment vouchers and funeral home records. Some chapters involved their local communities by inviting them to bring their Bible to the library to be copied and preserved.

Workshops, programs and bimonthly *Daughters* newsletter articles helped to create a continual stream of new indexers—more than 400 in the past three years. Volunteers come and go but at any time we typically have about 400 members indexing books. Nearly 90 percent of the collection is indexed.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

*National Chairman: Linda L. Winthers*

The Historic Preservation Committee is now five years old. The Historic Preservation Recognition Award was implemented by National Vice Chairman Betsy Kuster two years ago to honor individuals or groups that have done remarkable work at the community level. The Historic Preservation Project Contest was administered by Connie Olde. Awards have been given to both chapters and state societies at the last three Congress forums.

**JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZENS**

*National Chairman: Cynthia L. Steinbach*

The Junior American Citizens Committee had a productive three years. This chairman would like to express her gratitude to chapter and state chairmen who make JAC a reality for children across the country, teaching principles of democratic government and appreciation for our great country. Twenty-five states reported JAC activities with more than 70,000 children involved. Each of the 750 JAC Clubs is unique. Some are formed exclusively as JAC Clubs while others are scout troops, Sunday school classes, 4-H groups and C.A.R. societies. JAC contests were entered by 37,000 children in preschool through 12th grade. The national winners were awarded certificates and a total of $27,000 in prize money for their outstanding, creative entries. JAC publicity and photos were compiled into a scrapbook for the President General. Productive forums were held during Continental Congress to recognize outstanding service and share strategies to enhance the work of the committee.

**JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP**

*National Chairman: Morgan L. Lake*

The Junior Membership Committee celebrated 75 years of friendship, service and commitment during the Wright Administration. Daughters embraced the cupcake theme by wearing cupcake pins, serving cupcakes at local meetings...
and welcoming new Junior members each year.

A celebration of friendship, the 75th Anniversary Junior Membership Luncheon in 2012 had record-setting attendance. The event continued to be a highlight of Continental Congress. A celebration of service, the 50th annual Outstanding Junior Contest was conducted in 2013, and the announcement of the National Outstanding Junior Member returned to Opening Night in 2012. A celebration of commitment, the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund provided its highest-ever level of support for the DAR Schools, with more than $450,000 distributed to six schools over the three-year period.

This chairman wishes to thank all Daughters for supporting Junior Membership, and enjoying a cupcake or two along the way.

LINEAGE RESEARCH
National Chairman:
Elizabeth Hawley Clark-Urban

The Lineage Research Committee increased the services it offers. The committee replaced the LRLV Board with the new Lineage Research Lookup (LRL) Board, enhanced Minority and Ethnic Research, added the Lineage Research Facebook page and initiated the Cold Closed Cases Project. DAR members worked steadily at preserving the past with untold volunteer hours assisting and researching on the LRL Board for prospective member applications. The Spanish Task Force identified Spanish nationals who contributed to the Revolutionary cause. The committee enhanced the present by sharing expertise in Minority and Ethnic Research and through the Lineage Research Facebook page, where members post conversations about research methodology, repositories and how-to tips. The Lineage Research Committee invested in the future with the Cold Closed Cases Project, which aims to open closed coded ancestor records. Without the many, many volunteers who give freely of their time, expertise and energy these services would not be possible!

MEMBERSHIP
National Chairman:
Susan G. Tillman

During the Wright Administration, the Membership Committee teamed with the Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission. The results of the Lineage Research, Membership and Volunteer Genealogists committees working together with chapter registrars were immediately felt as the number of new applications submitted rose to levels not seen in decades. In 2012 more than 1,000 new applications were submitted monthly. Each year of the administration the membership count grew. The number of new members by application in the years 2011 and 2012 ranked fourth and second, respectively, as the years with the most new members.

Updates to the Prospective Member Database assisted chapters in successfully gaining more new members through this referral system. The committee was also committed to educating new and current members to assist in membership retention by providing tools such as the Chapter Regents Manual as well as four membership-specific webinars.

NATIONAL DEFENSE
National Chairman: Jennifer S.V. Minus

At the beginning of the Wright Administration, the National Defender converted from a printed and mailed bimonthly publication to a formatted online publication posted monthly, September through May. The Executive Committee voted to change the name of the Good Citizenship Medal to the DAR Youth Citizenship Medal.

Committee initiatives included adding the names of schools at which chapters awarded the ROTC and JROTC Medals to the Master Questionnaire; collecting the names of Daughters who are veterans; and continuing the Best Editorial/Letter to the Editor Contest.


PROGRAM
National Chairman: Nancy F. Hanna

A hearty thank you to members from all over our great country for the interesting and informative articles sent to this chairman for review. Almost all were accepted; most that were not were declined due to technical problems or duplication of programs already in the Program Library. Chapters regularly avail themselves of one or more of these programs yearly.
Those that entered the contest held the first year were very happy to receive their award certificates. The contest provided an incentive to reproduce a program. Remember to think of the Program Library when your chapter is preparing your yearbook or supplement. The variety of educational topics is endless, and ordering is easy. Special thanks go to the wonderful national division vice chairman and state chairmen who helped to make this chairman’s work go smoothly.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MEDIA

National Chairman: Lee H. Hunt

This national chairman has been honored to work under the Wright Administration to publicize the work of the Society. The following are some of the many accomplishments of this committee’s outstanding chairmen during the last three years.

Committee members worked with the Public Relations Office at National Headquarters to generate the 22-inch by 16-inch, full-color Prospective Member Brochure, which sold out within three weeks and has been reprinted several times. A webinar taught members How to Write a Press Release. At Congress, the committee presented three educational sessions that taught more than 150 members public relations concepts such as reach vs. frequency, large and small media markets, and key takeaways from the year’s contest winners. The Congress Herald newsletter was redesigned, incorporating color and a new masthead. The Congress Press Release Request process was digitized, enabling members to request a press release for their hometown media outlets before Congress. The committee presented 357 national and division awards.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SPECIALISTS

National Chairman: Margaret R. Bates

The VIS Committee is comprised of ladies who are willing to devote every day of the week to accomplishing their tasks. These members and volunteers display an unparalleled level of dedication to an array of subjects, including website approval, the help desk, the electronic Master Questionnaire and writable forms, as well as a number of individuals, such as webmasters, assistant webmasters, Units Overseas members, division chairmen, state chairmen, and thousands of volunteers.

VIS spans an incredibly wide scope of work with the common root being use of a computer. Many volunteers are high-profile; others worked behind the scenes. But each, from novice to expert, is doing something she loves that can take full advantage of her skills. It is all for the betterment of the Society.

The committee takes pride in its friendly, professional and speedy responses to every need, whether from the newest member or the highest officer.

Special Committees

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT AND REVITALIZATION

National Chairman: Ann T. Dillon

During the Wright Administration, the Organizing Secretary General, Registrar General and the national chairman of the Lineage Research, Membership and Volunteer Genealogists committees came together to emphasize the need for teamwork in the National Society, to strengthen the membership base and to increase chapter outreach.

Every state’s membership was evaluated and analyzed, which enabled the committee to identify weaknesses and determine how to improve chapters. Findings indicated that membership workshops provide an effective way to gain new members. The commission also stressed the importance of incorporating new members into the chapter and encouraging their enthusiasm and new ideas.

Because it is helpful for each chapter to include multiple Daughters who are capable of assisting with the application process, more members were trained to prepare membership applications and supplemental applications correctly.

COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS

National Chairman: Ann S. Crider

The Wright Administration identified four commemorations to receive national emphasis. To mark the 220th anniversary of the founding of District of Columbia, a program titled “Founding of D.C.” was posted on the Members’ Website. For the 10th anniversary of 9/11, a banner featuring symbols representing the three attack sites was produced and sold by NSDAR, and also presented to fire and police departments. The We Remember 9/11 Poster Contest-winning designs were sold. A proclamation contest was held to observe the Bicentennial of the War of 1812. On the 70th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, all Daughters were asked to pause for reflection at the exact moment the USS Arizona was attacked.

Daughters continued the tradition of marching in the Washington, D.C., Independence Day Parade. Chapters also participated in Wreaths Across America, placed flags on veterans’ graves for Memorial Day, and emphasized numerous commemorative events with monthly newsletters and handouts.

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CONTINENTAL CONGRESS
National Chairman: Emily T. Richardson

The Continental Congress Committee is charged with implementing sessions of Congress and facilitating the activities adherent to the annual meeting through the cooperative efforts of all Congressional Committees. Each of the 16 Congressional Committee chairmen reviewed and updated the procedures of her committee. Following each Congress a survey was sent to all attendees. The suggestions and concerns expressed were reviewed and many ideas were implemented. The Congress website was kept current with relevant content, including the Congress Herald, webinars and blog posts. The Congress Shops offered a greater variety of vendors, resulting in additional revenue. The Events for Men and Families and Page Events both proved to be fun excursions. Many enjoyed the receptions. Through the efforts of many, Congresses in the Wright Administration ran smoothly, and members came to understand the meaning of “Preserve the Past, Enhance the Present, Invest in the Future.”

DAR GENEALOGY PRESERVATION
National Chairman: Danna C. Koelling

The Descendants Project indexed the original applications through the June 2012 National Board of Management meeting. Ad Volumes 1028–1040 are being indexed at this time. This project makes the Descendants tab in the Genealogical Research System and Build-An-App possible.

The Supporting Documentation Project launched in September 2011. This project categorizes the documentation submitted with applications. Approximately 1 million documents have been completed so far.

This chairman thanks all the committee volunteers who provided support during the last three years. The work you have done is priceless, and what an addition it is to the information available to members and prospective members alike!

DAR PROJECT PATRIOT
National Chairman: Susan J. Montgomery

During the Wright Administration, members generously contributed more than $250,000 to DAR Project Patriot to benefit active-military personnel. In addition to continuing to support the Chaplains’ Closet at the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany, three additional projects were adopted in February 2012: the Clothes Closets at the Wounded Transitional Brigade at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Bethesda, Md.; the Wounded Warrior and Family Support Center at Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas; and Camp Atterbury Training Center, Edinburgh, Ind.

More than 9,000 phone cards were sent to chaplains at Landstuhl, Afghanistan and Camp Atterbury. In addition to requested clothing items, the Landstuhl Chaplains’ Closet received $26,800. Target and Dunkin’ Donuts gift cards were given to needy troops through the centers at Walter Reed and Brooke.

This chairman appreciates the involvement and efforts of all DAR members and chairmen, whose support and promotion of DAR Project Patriot made a positive difference.

DAR SPEAKERS STAFF
National Chairman: Melinda M. McTaggart

The DAR Speakers Staff continued to provide informed and enthusiastic speakers to chapters and non-DAR community groups during the Wright Administration. During the past three years, nearly 3,000 programs were given to an average of 40,000 guests per year. Speakers were tireless in their dedication as they traveled thousands of miles to share the DAR story. When distance became a concern, the national chairman of the Protocol Committee met with Units Overseas members by phone. Nothing could derail efforts to talk about the various facets of the DAR. Diverse program topics included the DAR Museum Period Rooms, the Descendants Project, estate planning for women and Dolley Madison, to list but a few.

Committee members availed themselves of a wide range of DAR publications to present programs. Material included American Spirit, the National Defender, flag codes, the DAR Fact Sheet and the NSDAR Bylaws.

INSIGNIA
National Chairman: Susan A. Gonchar

A need to have frequently asked questions about insignia and pins answered and available to our members was fulfilled. The “Let’s Talk Pins” FAQ feature on the Insignia Committee webpage was updated periodically. It is a popular go-to resource for pin information. Also, the booklet “Insignia, Seal, Banner” was included on the site, as well as a link to Hamilton Jewelers. Programs and workshops were given to share information about the proper placement of pins on the official DAR ribbon, pin protocol facts, how to order pins, the disposition of pins and the use of the Insignia Committee webpage. Spring and fall letters were sent to state chairmen to keep them apprised of pertinent pin information. Questions from members continued to show their desire to properly wear their pins.
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LITERACY PROMOTION

*National Chairman: Sarah (Layla) L. Heimlich*

Daughters rose to meet the challenge of Literacy Promotion during the Wright Administration. More than 7,000 members and 3,000 chapters spent 975,000 hours helping children and adults achieve their educational dreams, donating more than 570,000 books and raising almost $600,000 for literacy.

Chapters, members and state societies have reached out in friendship to libraries, schools, churches, adult education programs and other organizations in their communities dedicated to literacy promotion. They engaged in outstanding service, devoting time, money and resources to help everyone from the youngest to the oldest members of our Society enjoy the benefits of reading. In doing so, they highlighted the DAR’s commitment to literacy promotion, forming long-lasting partnerships and friendships with others who share our passion for literacy.

This chairman is proud that the Literacy Promotion Committee supported the National Society’s mission of education through the many and varied activities of so many chapters and members.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMISSION

*National Chairman: Margaret S. Hurd*

The commission consists of 12 members, each of whom shall serve no more than nine years. The duties of the commission include formulating a continuing assessment of the future needs of the Society to ensure its viability and recommending measures to be taken and methods for implementation, including financing.

During these three years changes adopted by the Executive Committee include new campaign guidelines for candidates for the Office of Vice President General and new processes for the awarding of Founders Medals. The Executive Committee also adopted recommendations for the monitoring of internet references, the revision of the program year, the redesign of the National Information Packet and changes in the National Committee structure. During this, the last year of the Wright Administration, the commission completed a strategic plan for the Society.

Sincere appreciation is expressed to the members of the commission for their thoughtful deliberation during this administration.

PRESIDENT GENERAL’S PROJECT

*National Chairman: Virginia G. Lingelbach*

More than $5 million dollars has been raised in support of the President General’s Project thus far. About $1 million was spent on exterior improvements to our historic buildings. Almost $500,000 paid for roofing repairs, including the replacement of the flat composition roofs of Constitution Hall and Memorial Continental Hall. Emergency repairs to the cooling tower and air-conditioning units were completed. The air-handling system in the Administration Building was replaced, costing $1.3 million. Studies were commissioned to examine the failing infrastructure in Constitution Hall’s HVAC system. The DAR Library Lay Light Restoration project will be completed before Congress at a cost of between $1.8 and $1.9 million. Fundraising efforts continue.

Workers at the historic glass studio tend to lay light panels at various stages of repair and reconstruction.

Another aspect of the President General’s Project, the Special Projects Grants Committee, awarded nearly $700,000 to projects in local communities, allowing them to benefit from the National Society’s investment in historic preservation, education and patriotism.

This chairman expresses deep appreciation for the generosity and support of DAR members worldwide.

SPECIAL PROJECTS GRANTS

*National Chairman: Marcy S. Kimminau*

As part of the President General’s Project, the DAR Special Projects Grants program was established at the beginning of the Wright Administration to administer the disbursement of funds for projects that promote the DAR mission areas of historic preservation, education and patriotism in local communities.

Since its inception the program has met with an overwhelming positive response and received more than $2.5 million in grant application requests. Close to $700,000 in grants was awarded during this administration to support meaningful and important projects, including the restoration of documents and historic buildings, literacy programs, interactive exhibits, veterans’ monuments, Wounded veterans take part in the Arkansas Challenge bike ride, which benefited wounded warriors and veterans in the state. Akansa Chapter received a $5,000 Special Projects Grant to provide costly specialized adaptive cycles and jerseys for wounded veterans who otherwise would not have had the opportunity to participate.

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and service projects. The committee webpage on the Members’ Website includes a photo gallery featuring grants awarded to promote our mission in 130 communities in 30 states.

NSDAR is pleased to report that due to the outstanding success and interest in the Special Projects Grants, this committee is continuing into the next administration.

TOURS AND TRAVEL
National Chairman: Julia M. Rogers

In late October 2012, President General Merry Ann T. Wright welcomed 180 members, relatives and friends to the Circles of Friendship Cruise, an eight-day trip to Eastern Caribbean locations including St. Maarten, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Turks and Caicos. This commemorative trip provided opportunities to interact with the senior leadership, with private time as well as a question and answer session led by the President General. First Vice President General Beverly Jensen presented a workshop on the Caribbean during the Revolutionary period. Lineage Research National Vice Chairman Nancy Pexa shared genealogy research tips. The Executive Committee Chairman Nancy Pexa shared genealogy research tips. The Executive Committee led a commemorative ceremony to remember American Patriots. The trip included lazy days at sea, a Halloween party, creative gifts, spectacular sunsets and friendly service provided by the Ruby Princess crew. In a true group effort, the committee developed an inventive trip that was not only great fun, but also highlighted diverse ways of celebrating our DAR membership.

UNITS OVERSEAS
National Chairman: Florence F. Patton

Between 2010 and 2013, the Units Overseas Committee recorded increases in chapters, membership and overall activity. The Louisa Catherine Adams Chapter in Moscow, Russia, organized in 2010, and the Mariana Islands Chapter in Guam organized in 2012, raising the total to 26 DAR chapters located in 13 countries and one U.S. territory, with more than 900 members, including Members at Large. With the President General, this chairman visited the United Kingdom, France, Austria, Germany, Italy, Spain, Eastern Canada, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Mexico and Western Canada.

During this administration, the committee raised funds through the sale of a pin depicting the “DAR All Over the World” logo. The committee’s Congress Luncheons and International Bazaars drew record attendance. Faithful service to DAR is manifested in these dedicated members, whom this chairman was privileged to serve.

VOLUNTEER GENEALISTS
National Chairman: Judy N. Mason

The Volunteer Genealogists Committee saw exciting changes during the Wright Administration. The online Genealogy Educational Programs (GEP) that replaced the NSDAR Volunteer Field Genealogists Training and Genealogy Consultant Training were very well received. Volunteer Genealogists were assigned to mentor designated chapters. The Outstanding Volunteer Genealogists Award recipient is now selected using a point system. An Outstanding Volunteer Genealogists pin is now available from Hamilton Jewelers.

The Volunteer Genealogist Committee is a member of the Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission (CDRC), which encourages committee cooperation. The Continental Congress DAR Library Balcony Volunteers became the Volunteer Research Genealogists, with Lineage Researchers now participating. A Trained Genies Listing is posted on eMembership for use by state CDRCs. This national chairman created two educational webinars for the DAR Leadership Training Committee: Dreaming of Being a Genie and DAR Genie Workshop 101.

Thank you to our dedicated and committed Volunteer Genie Team.

WOMEN’S ISSUES
National Chairman: Stacy L. Cope

The Women’s Issues Committee, created in 2001, turned 10 years old during the Wright Administration. The overall theme, “Celebrate Women,” encouraged all members to learn more about their fellow Daughters. The Women’s Issues Committee Essay Contest national winning essays were posted on the committee website for use by members, whether as a program or just for reading enjoyment.

The Women’s Issues Committee is an education forum, and the bimonthly articles that were published in the Committee Corner section of Daughters newsletter promoted program ideas or spot announcement opportunities for Women’s Issues. This committee developed as the place to report on nontraditional DAR activities with participation by members in local communities captured in the Master Questionnaire. Award certificates were sent for extraordinary state activities and essay participation.
Chapter Anniversaries

**Comte de Grasse Chapter**, Yorktown, Va., recently held a memorial service for Organizing Regent Emma Leake Chenoweth in recognition of her 152nd birthday. The celebration also marked the 91st anniversary of the chapter. Mrs. Chenoweth came to Yorktown in 1919. She was instrumental in coordinating efforts with NSDAR for the preservation of the Yorktown Battlefields, lobbying for them to become part of Colonial National Historical Park. Under her leadership, the chapter purchased the circa-1720 Yorktown Custom House and renovated it to its current condition. The custom house opened to the public in 1930. It houses many colonial-era artifacts and still opens on Sundays, free of charge. Mrs. Chenoweth also is responsible for the annual Yorktown Day celebration. She and the Comte de Grasse Chapter initiated the wreath-laying ceremony at the Yorktown Monument in 1922.

**Doctor Susan Anderson Chapter**, Arvada, Colo., had the distinct honor of conducting a Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Arvada Cemetery on December 15, 2012. Ceremonial wreaths representing each branch of the service were placed.

Later the same afternoon, the chapter held its first historical marker dedication with the majestic Rocky Mountains as a backdrop. The Historic Leyden Mine marker was placed at the beginning of a public path located near the actual Leyden Mine site. This marker honors the 11 miners who died as a result of the Leyden Coal Mine fire on December 14, 1910. Chapter members and honored guests also attended a locally televised and informative presentation and reception hosted by several members of the Historic Preservation Committee.

On January 5, 2013, with great pride, **Doctor Susan Anderson Chapter** celebrated its fifth anniversary at a luncheon attended by 95 guests, including State Regent Gale Crafton, many of the chapter’s 44 organizing members, current chapter members, several Colorado chapter regents and guests. All enjoyed a well-attended silent auction and a delicious luncheon and meeting. It was wonderful to be able to share this fifth anniversary with so many DAR friends!

On February 2, 2013, the **Helen J. Stewart Chapter**, Las Vegas, Nev., celebrated its fifth birthday at the Old Las Vegas Mormon Fort. The fort is special to the chapter, as it is at the Las Vegas home of Helen J. Stewart herself. The day was shared not only with members of the Helen J. Stewart Chapter, but also members from Silver State, Valley of Fire, Francisco Garcés and Pahrump Springs chapters in Nevada. Well wishes came in from various chapters all over the state for this special event. Helen J. Stewart, as portrayed by historic interpreter Linda Miller, attended the birthday celebration to speak about her life in Las Vegas with her family and running the family ranch by herself after her husband was killed.

**Molly Chittenden Chapter**, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, celebrated its 100th anniversary on October 5, 2012, with a luncheon for more than 70 members and guests. Talented historical interpreter Craig
Chapter Historian Susan Hopfensperger commended Hope Hotchkiss Niedling for her work as organizing regent. Mrs. Hopfensperger then recalled the leadership of each chapter regent and accomplishments of the chapter. Members have supported education through the DAR mountain schools scholarships and C.A.R.; historic preservation through the Wisconsin Society DAR-owned Surgeon’s Quarters, planting a commemorative tree on the riverfront, and donating a 45-star flag to the Portage County Historical Society; and patriotism through the support of veterans and active military via Trees from Home and Wreaths Across America.

“What each of us does as a DAR member makes a difference to our communities, and also our nation. The culture of this chapter is one that embraces change and growth, seeking to bring out the best in each of our members,” Mrs. Hopfensperger said. She presented copies of the nearly 300-page, 40-year history of the chapter that she wrote and dedicated to Mrs. Nielding and Chapter Regent Doris Dahlke. Copies were also printed for seven libraries.

Members of Sarah Whitman Hooker Chapter, West Hartford, Conn., celebrated the chapter’s 107th anniversary at a luncheon on January 26, 2013. Earlier in the day during the chapter meeting, Daughters welcomed eight new members whose applications were approved in 2012. The chapter also honored two new honorary chapter regents, Letitia Jeffers Cossette, a 63-year DAR member, and Beverlee Schorer Burke, a 74-year DAR member.

After the meeting, the group enjoyed lunch at a local restaurant. Some of the chapter’s achievements over the years include marking and mapping soldiers’ graves in the Old North Cemetery, planting numerous trees throughout the town, assisting with the restoration and furnishing of the Sarah Whitman Hooker House, and donating the building for the town’s first library in 1917.

Sarah Whitman Hooker Chapter members celebrated at a 107th anniversary luncheon.

Sarah Whitman Hooker Chapter

Seated, left to right: Betty Dean Andringa, past Vice President General and Honorary State Regent Hope Hotchkiss Niedling, Chapter Regent Doris Dahlke and Lisa Hansen. Back row: Courtney Moore, Julaine Schultz, Susan Hopfensperger, Marjorie Kietlinski, Sara Hagen, Shannon Moore, Joanne Hagen and Janet Zblewski. Not pictured: Joyce Church.

Shelby Chapter

Shelby Chapter, Shelbyville, Tenn., celebrated its 115th anniversary on February 17, 2012. The chapter was

Shelby Chapter

Seated, left to right: Mary Lynn Prince, Lorraine Foster, Annie Mae Phillips and Dot Osteen. Middle row: Cynthia Ferrell, Vickie Lilly, Linda Pitts, Marilyn Lewis, Westelle Giles, Lita York, Chapter Regent Dixie Parker and Sherry Sorrells. Back row: Alene Hall, Gay Mixon, Judy Hornaday, Mary Cathryn Perry, Faye Windham, Roxanna Francesconi, Margaret Jarrell and Martha Watt.
organized in 1897, seven years after the National Society was formed. Thirteen women with Revolutionary ancestors and high enthusiasm met and formed the 10th chapter in the state. As the “History of the Shelby Chapter NSDAR” explains, “Since its organization, the Shelby Chapter has tried to perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American independence by the acquisition and protection of historical spots and the erection of monuments; by the encouragement of historical research; by the preservation of documents, relics, and the records of individual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots; and by the promotion of celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries; to foster true patriotism and love of country, and to encourage in our young people a love for, and a pride in, our State and a knowledge of its history and its laws.”

Organized December 21, 1897, Silver Bow Chapter, Butte, Mont., was the only chapter in Montana until 1902. The chapter name comes from the name of a local creek described in History of Montana by Helen Fitzgerald Sander: “On the evening of a cloudy day, January 1864, [four prospectors] reached the vicinity of a creek near Butte, and a discussion arose as to a name for it. As the argument went on the clouds rolled away from the sun, whose bright glance fell on the water, sweeping in a graceful curve around the mountain like a bow, burnishing it to silver.”

A 115th anniversary luncheon was held December 13, 2012. Since 1897, 11 members of Silver Bow Chapter, of which two were present, have served as Montana State Regent. In addition, seven of the 10 surviving chapter regents attended. Significant events in chapter history were noted. The chapter and the Montana State Society provided the copper spade that was used in the groundbreaking for Memorial Continental Hall in 1902. The

Montana Spade is made of Butte copper and can be seen in the Americana Room at NSDAR Headquarters.

Chapter News and Events

On September 24, 2012, the Tennessee Wildlife Management Agency (TWMA) dedicated the McGlothlin-Largent Wildlife Management Area (WMA). This WMA was a portion of Gerald Largen’s family farm on the Tennessee River south of Kingston, Tenn., which Largen donated to the state. Currently, TWMA is providing fishing piers, walkways along the river and a dove hunting area, with plans for expansion of services in the future.

Avery Trace Chapter, Harriman, Tenn., successfully petitioned the National Society’s Conservation Committee—which is dedicated to the preservation of the natural resources of our country, its soils, minerals, forests, waters and wildlife—to recognize Gerald Largen for his preservation of plants, animals and habitats with the NSDAR Conservation Award and Medal. On February 1, 2013, at the Historic Roane County Courthouse, Avery Trace Chapter presented the award to Largen in recognition of outstanding achievement for environmental awareness on behalf of the Conservation Committee.

Bakersfield Chapter, Bakersfield, Calif., honored two World War II veterans and brothers for their service to our country: Earnest Thomas (E.T.) Roberts and Ralph Roberts. The boat carrying E.T., now age 90, sank in the water off Omaha Beach on D-Day, June 6, 1944. After losing his flamethrower and all supplies in the bloody landing at Normandy, he later was shot at point-blank range in combat in France. He fought on to Germany, policed Germany after the war, and was a decorated hero.

Ralph, age 93, was an engineer who landed in Africa in 1940. He built bridges through Sicily, Italy, France and Germany with Patton’s army. At one point he was close to E.T.’s position across the Rhine River, but did not even know E.T. was in the army. Ralph remembers singing Christmas carols with the German troops across the lines one night.

Jeremy Staat, a Marine, Iraq War veteran and former NFL player, spoke about remembering the heroic service of the
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of these veterans, encouraging veterans in challenging situations and motivating today’s youth.

In honor of all veterans, this spring several Bakersfield Chapter members will escort World War II veterans on a trip to Washington, D.C., as part of the Honor Flight program.

Members of the Captain John Holmes Chapter, Minneapolis, Minn., attended the charming Christmas of Swing program at the History Theater in St. Paul, Minn., on December 8, 2012, after a holiday potluck at the DePuis House. The concert included a jazzy rendition of “Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy of Company B,” made popular by Minnesota’s own Andrews Sisters during World War II, as well as many other engaging songs. Many of the Andrews Sisters’ most famous wartime tunes were included in the program, and veterans from World War II through more modern conflicts were recognized and honored for their service. The Andrews Sisters—Maxine, LaVerne and Patty, the youngest, who died January 30, 2013—were born and raised in North Minneapolis. During the war years, the sisters sold war bonds, made movies, boosted morale on the home front, and entertained thousands of American troops overseas, performing with Bing Crosby and the Glenn Miller Orchestra. Chapter members thoroughly enjoyed the presentation, and it created a wonderful holiday memory for all.

Captain William Buckner Chapter, Coleman, Texas, met at Heritage Hall on February 9, 2013. The program was a slideshow of the DAR Museum period rooms located in Memorial Continental Hall at DAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C. The program was narrated by three docents from the Betty Martin Chapter, Temple, Texas, and one from the Mary Isham Keith Chapter, Fort Worth, Texas. Chapter Regent Carol Scott presented years of service certificates to Carole Burroughs, who has been a DAR member for 50 years; Orabeth McIver, 40 years; and Diann Dillingham, 25 years. Guests present were District X Director Shirley Dobson, Mary Garland Chapter Regent Nancy Byler and Mary Garland Chapter member Barbara Barrera.

After introducing several new members and a short business meeting, everyone indulged in delicious refreshments provided by Becky Watson, Jo Chapman and Jane Ehrler.

Charlotte Bay Chapter, Punta Gorda, Fla., is helping homeless veterans by crocheting mats from plastic grocery bags. While at Florida Fall Forum, Chapter Regent-Elect Suzy Hackett spoke with a member of Abigail Wright Chamberlin Chapter, Melbourne, Fla., who was selling kits for making the mats. Back at home, Ms. Hackett held a class to teach Daughters how to prepare bags to be worked into balls that are used to form the mats. Eighteen members show up for the fun-filled work session. So far the chapter has completed about 15 mats in preparation for the October Stand Down event, where they will be used to insulate the veterans’ sleeping bags from the damp ground and to protect them somewhat from the elements. Members hope to have enough for all homeless veterans by October; DAR Service for Veterans Committee Chapter Chairman Penny Fahrbach is coordinating with the local veterans’ office. Collecting the bags is a conservation project that keeps them from being sent to landfills. The effort of making the mats creates good working relationships among members who participate. The teamwork is beneficial to one and all. The chapter’s goal is to help the project expand statewide, then go national!

Chucalissa Chapter, Memphis, Tenn., recently awarded the Ellen Hardin Walworth Founders Medal for Patriotism to Diane Hight for her outstanding work to honor veterans in the Memphis area. The presentation took place at the doughboy statue in Overton Park. Hight has organized, obtained funding for and accompanied veterans and their families.
on numerous trips to various locations, including trips to Pearl Harbor and to Washington, D.C., to view the World War II Memorial. Hight considers it the greatest of privileges to honor these veterans who have selflessly contributed so much.

The Pennsylvania Department of Forests and Waters furnished 1,600 trees for a George Washington Memorial Planting in 1932. Clarion County Chapter, Clarion, Pa., sponsored a portion of the project. Helen P. Harvey and Mary K. Myers worked out the plan with the department on March 7, 1932. The chapter’s planting was made in April 1932 in Cook Forest Park, in what was then an open field. A dirt road bordered the area on two sides. Three kinds of trees were used—white pine, red pine and hemlock—planted alternately in the same row by five men the chapter hired at a cost of $16. The chapter’s planting was very close to the official George Washington planting by the department. A marker was placed to commemorate the event. It reads, “George Washington Memorial Planting, Clarion County Chapter, 1732 D.A.R. 1932.

In the 80 years since the planting, the sign had fallen into disrepair. Clarion Chapter Regent Betty Elza contacted the manager of Cook Forest, Marsha Gordon, who was instrumental in getting the sign restained, repainted and returned to its former glory. Once again, the sign stands sentinel to the Clarion County Chapter planting.

On November 8, 2012, the College Hill Chapter, Augusta, Ga., joined the Augusta State Chapter in hosting a tea honoring Georgia State Regent Virginia Grace Lingelbach. Guests included state officials and members of several chapters in District II. More than 40 guests attended, and each received a festively wrapped favor box labeled with the State Regent’s theme, “Find your gift and use in service to God, Home and Country.” Each box contained a keepsake embellished with the Lingelbach Administration’s scripture, “Ignore not the gift that is in thee,” 1 Timothy 4:14.

The tea was held on the grounds of historic Meadow Garden, the home of George Walton, a Georgia Signer of the Declaration of Independence. In recognition of the building’s historical significance, Mayor Deke Copenhaver issued a proclamation naming the date Meadow Garden Day in Augusta. Mayor Pro Tem Joe Bowles read the proclamation to the group and presented it to Mrs. Lingelbach.

Mrs. Lingelbach and other guests were introduced by District II Director Jo An Chewning. Mrs. Lingelbach spoke enthusiastically of her plans for the Georgia State Society and told of the progress that already has been made.

Members of Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter, Point Pleasant, W.Va., joined with local veterans to participate in the Wreaths Across America memorial service on December 15, 2012, at the Medal of Honor Park in Point Pleasant. Chapter Registrar Diana Johnson served as location leader and ceremony coordinator. Chapter Regent Cora Teel assisted.

After one minute of silence, the national anthem was sung by member Brooke Price, and the colors were posted by the Point Pleasant Chapter S.A.R. The following veterans presented wreaths for their branches of the United States Military: James McCormick, U.S. Army; Randall Bare, U.S. Marine Corps; Joseph Antal, U.S. Air Force; Harold Pickens, U.S. Merchant Marine; and Miles Epling, whose wreath honored servicemen who were prisoners of war or missing in action. The wreaths for the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Coast Guard were presented by chapter members Mrs. Price and Debbie Hickel, respectively. After the presentation of the service wreaths, the colors were retired by the S.A.R. color guard and chapter members placed 49 wreaths on the graves of veterans buried in Lone Oak Cemetery.

On February 12, 2013, the Colonel Hardy Murfree Chapter, Murfreesboro, Tenn., co-hosted a Victorian-themed Valentine’s Day Tea party with the Tennessee State Veterans’ Home (TSVH)
for the ladies residing in the facility. Activities Director Barbara Cochran welcomed the residents and 10 chapter members in attendance. Chapter First Vice Regent Catherine Corbitt made the introduc-
tions and outlined the program. She described the details of an 1850s Victorian Valentine’s Day card, copies of which were attached to the colorfully deco-
drated gift bags. Guest pianist Judy Stacey entertained the group with a sing-along segment consisting of the ladies’ favorite old songs and gospel music selections.

The guests enjoyed teatime refresh-
ments in the private dining room amid floral table arrangements of pink roses. It was a poignant moment when the ladies were able to select several cards each from an assortment of Valentine’s Day cards which had been created by local school-children for this special holiday.

**Estrella Chapter**, Sun City West, Ariz., has given the gift of life-sustaining water to approximately 600 Border Patrol agents serving our country in Ajo, Ariz. Chapter Regent Carol Kennedy was present when 72 cases of Nestle brand water arrived at the station. The total number of bottles was 1,728. The Ajo Station’s territory covers more than 64 miles along the international border with Mexico, an area of nearly 7,000 square miles. It includes protected lands such as the Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument, Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge, Bureau of Land Management lands, Barry M. Goldwater Bombing Range and the Tohono O’Odham Indian Nation.

Because of the area’s remoteness, Border Patrol agents patrol a large portion of the area on foot, by horse patrol, or on ATVs and motorcycles. Shift after shift, the agents encounter rough, rocky terrain, flat desert covered in cacti and brush, mountainous areas, poisonous reptiles, dangerous animals, and high tempera-
tures. Agents are armed and given night vision equipment and other supplies to keep them safe, but water is not provided by the U.S. government. This project is in keeping with the chapter’s commitment to uniformed civil servants who guard and protect the United States.

On the night of June 29, 2012, a unique thunderstorm complex arrived in the Washington, D.C., area. The storm dropped a massive limb on the fence surrounding Ellicott Stone, which marks the original westernmost boundary of Washington, D.C., and is now located in Falls Church, Va. This stone was placed by Andrew Ellicott and Benjamin Bannaker in 1791. For the past 100 years, **Falls Church Chapter**, Falls Church, Va., has maintained the stone and provided oversight to ensure its preservation and protection. The protective fence took the full force of the massive oak limb that fell during the storm. The fence was broken and bent, but the stone was unharmed.

The Falls Church Chapter immediately began planning to restore the fence and clean the park. The chapter reached out to the Boy Scouts of America to sponsor an Eagle Scout Project to repair and beautify the park and fencing. The Eagle Scout led a team of 30 volunteers in cleaning, repairing and upgrading Ellicott Park and the fencing around the stone.

The Falls Church Chapter is grateful to have participated in this successful project. It has helped the chapter continue to “Preserve the Past, Enhance the Present, Invest in the Future.”

**Firelands Chapter**, Vermilion, Ohio, is proud to be the newest DAR chapter in the state of Ohio! The chapter was confirmed at the February National Board of Management meeting. Its name is derived from the 500,000 acres of Firelands (also known as Sufferers’ Lands) that were set aside by the Connecticut legislature for the residents of eight different Connecticut towns who lost their homes in 1779 and 1781 due to fires set by British forces.
The chapter’s hometown of Vermilion, located on the southern shore of Lake Erie, is one of 30 towns, cities and villages that were founded after the Firelands were established in 1792. Vermilion is rich in nautical history as well as American pride, and Daughters are very excited to call it home.

**Governor David Emanuel-Adam Brinson Chapter**, Swainsboro, Ga., held a grave-marking ceremony for Revolutionary Patriot Francis Richard Flanders at the Moxley Cemetery on Highway 56 in Swainsboro. Chapter Regent Kay Lewis, Chapter Registrar Judy Womack and Chapter Historian Jane Durden planned the event, which was held April 15, 2012. Invitations were sent to descendants, Georgia State Officers, and District III chapters.

The event brought people from Alabama, South Carolina and Georgia to honor the memory of this Patriot. Many Flanders descendants took part in the ceremony, including: guest speaker Dr. Lawson W. Lewis; William Henry Flanders, who accepted the marker; Thomasene Flanders and Mickey Flanders, who placed wreaths; and Bonnie Gowen, who brought greetings from the Flanders family descendants. The Wiregrass Chapter S.A.R. brought greetings, posted the flags and ended the ceremony with a resounding cannon salute. All in attendance enjoyed the beautiful sunny day spent in honor and memory of Revolutionary Patriot Francis Richard Flanders.

**Granby Chapter**, Lexington, S.C., held its annual Colonial luncheon at the Country Club of Lexington on February 2, 2013. There were approximately 40 members present to enjoy the delicious meal. The meeting was called to order by Chapter Regent Faye Kassing. The opening prayer was given by Chapter Chaplain Jean Smith. The DAR Ritual was performed along with the Pledge of Allegiance and the salute to the flag of South Carolina.

Guest speaker Dawn Corley, “the Charleston Silver Lady,” presented an interesting history of the first silversmith in South Carolina. She exhibited several serving trays and explained how they were formed by binding silver to copper to make a stronger vessel. One of the items of interest was a candlestick weighted on the bottom with cast iron to prevent it from tipping. The candlestick was tapered to fit the hand so it could be easily carried from room to room.

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**Hungerford’s Tavern Chapter**, Potomac, Md., welcomed prospective member Joanna Guy, Miss Maryland 2012, to address members in October. Ms. Guy spoke about the stereotypes of pageant contestants and educated members about her two platforms—heart disease and the Children’s Miracle Network. She then honored the ladies with her rendition of “I Dreamed a Dream” from the musical “Les Misérables.” When the song ended, stunned silence filled the room. She sang this same melody at the Miss America Pageant in January, where she placed in the top 10. The chapter will never look at the Miss America Pageant the same way again!

Members of the **John C. Fremont Chapter**, Carson City, Nev., attended a ceremony marking the return of the Halsey Saddle to Carson City. The Halsey Saddle is a little-known piece of World War II history. Japanese Emperor Hirohito was often photographed riding the horse Shirayuki, or “White Snow,” while reviewing Japanese troops. In March 1945, Admiral William “Bull” Halsey vowed that he would ride Emperor Hirohito’s beautiful white stallion through Tokyo once the Allies won World War II. As the war drew to a close, the Reno Chamber of Commerce commissioned a silver-laden saddle and a matching bridle for the admiral to ride through Tokyo. It included 116 pieces of engraved silver to recognize
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Nevada’s nickname “the Silver State.” The saddle arrived in Tokyo in time for the signing of the surrender documents on September 2, 1945.

For the past 22 years, the Halsey Saddle has been in storage at the U.S. Naval Academy Museum in Annapolis, Md. On December 20, 2012, it was returned to Nevada for display at the Nevada State Museum in Carson City. The saddle will remain on loan in Nevada for the next three years and become part of a traveling museum during the state’s 150th anniversary celebration in 2013–2014.

Lieutenant Thomas Barlow Chapter, San Benito, Texas, was delighted to discover that one of its recent Good Citizenship Award winners is a third-generation recipient of the award! Alyssa Cervantes, a sixth-grader at Calvary Christian School in Harlingen, Texas, received her certificate and medal at the chapter’s awards tea on February 16, 2013. Alyssa’s mother, Natalie Cervantes, and grandmother, Thelma Lemmons, each received the Good Citizenship Award in middle school.

Lovelady Chapter, Pennington Gap, Va., entered a float in the 64th Annual Lee County Tobacco Festival Parade, held October 27, 2012. The festival theme was “A Tribute to Coal.” The chapter’s float consisted of an authentic coal car loaded with coal and towed by a locomotive. On and around the car were implements used by coal miners, many being antique items. The most popular antique item was the detonator used to ignite the explosives that were used in mining. The sides of the float listed the name of each coal-mining community located in Lee County and banners that read: Lovelady Daughters Are Proud to Be Coal Miners’ Daughters—A Tribute to Coal … Our American Heritage. Members of Lovelady Chapter who rode on the float wore the 2012 Lee County Tobacco Festival shirt, designed and printed by chapter member Annie Hall. The black shirt pictured a farmer plowing and a miner working underground. The words “In Southwest Virginia, We Make Our Living Above and Below the Ground” were printed on the shirt. Lovelady Chapter’s float placed second in the civic category, winning both a red ribbon and a cash award.

On November 13, 2012, World War II paratrooper Russell Mayer spoke to the Maryland Line Chapter, Monkton, Md., about his military service from 1943–1945. Mayer was transported to England by way of Ireland on the Jane Parker in 1943. He was assigned as a cook, then, after completing jump school, he was assigned to the 2nd Battalion of the 508th Parachute Regiment as a medic, due in part to his experience as a volunteer fireman and first-aid provider.

Mayer saw action in the Normandy invasion, at Nijmegen Bridge, in Holland and in the Battle of the Bulge. Due to bringing the injured back from the front lines to the medic tent every night in cold, wet weather, his feet became frostbitten and he was sent home on the same Jane Parker, now a hospital ship, which had taken him to Ireland in 1943.

During the crossing word came that Germany had surrendered; the soldiers arrived in New York on Mothers Day to a huge celebration. Mayer was awarded Bronze Stars for action in Normandy and Holland and the Purple Heart for the Battle of the Bulge. Corporal Russell Mayer was honorably discharged and served 25 years as a Baltimore County policeman.

Upon learning that residents of Life Care Center, a local rehabilitation and care facility, were having trouble getting large-print reading materials, Judy Lapinski, Literacy Promotion Committee chairman for Mountain Rendezvous Chapter, Evergreen, Colo., enlisted chapter members’ help in collecting large-print books. Members responded to the plea and more than 300 volumes were purchased, many from the local library district’s annual book sale.

Guided by retired librarian and chapter member Barbara MacDonald, chapter members organized the books by genre and created color-coded spine labels that included genre icons and author names or call numbers. Bookplates bearing Mountain Rendezvous Chapter’s name and logo were placed in the front of each volume as a reminder of the chapter’s commitment to literacy promotion.
At the request of the center’s recreation director, Marilyn Herrs, chapter members removed small-print materials from the center’s bookshelves and organized the large-print titles. When it became apparent that the center’s available shelf space was too small, the chapter also donated a five-shelf bookcase. With 300 books, the reorganized and greatly expanded library quickly became the talk of the center. Residents with visual impairments, including many veterans, are able to locate preferred genres quickly. With such a good selection, they can even find books by favorite authors.

On December 7, 2012, the Nancy Christian Fleming Chapter, Roanoke, Va., welcomed Maureen McDonnell, the first lady of Virginia, to its chapter meeting.

At the January meeting of Owasso Chapter, Owasso, Okla., Shelli Rogers presented a program about her father Bob Watson and his time as a prisoner of war (POW) in Germany during World War II. Rogers knew little about her father’s experiences until after his death, when she went through his things and found a list of names. She got in touch with Glen C. Malitzke, a technical sergeant in the 42nd Infantry, Rainbow Division, and an ex-POW of Stalag XIII-C in Hammelburg, Germany, in 1945. Malitzke sent her a picture of her father’s group after they were liberated. He told her that he would write everything down and mail it to her. He had been allowed to keep his Gideon’s New Testament and a Protestant Service-man’s Prayer Book, and he kept records in the margins of these two books. He had no idea why he was allowed to keep them because after their capture all their belongings were confiscated.

Malitzke died before he could finish his manuscript, titled Survivor, but his dedication inscription read, in part: “Dedicated with gratitude to the memory of Staff Sergeant Robert D. Watson, one of America’s finest and former Prisoner of War, Nazi Germany, Stalag XIII-C, Hammelburg, Germany.”

Members of the Delaware Crossing Chapter S.A.R. Color Guard joined Prairie Rose Chapter, Overland Park, Kan., in welcoming Tommie Bernice Mayfield Washington into the DAR in November 2012. Mrs. Washington is a descendant of the revered Nancy Ward, who in the 18th century was chosen by the Cherokee tribes to be the “Beloved Woman.” In this position she headed the Women’s Council and sat on the Council of Chiefs. Mrs. Washington’s ancestors took part in the Cherokee Trail of Tears trek to Oklahoma in the 1830s.

Born on the November 24, 1921, on Manard Mountain in Braggs, Okla., Mrs. Washington moved to the Kansas City area and married Perry Washington in November 1941. Now widowed, she has five sons, seven grandchildren and...
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11 great-grandchildren. She remains active in her church and works out and swims at the health club five times a week.

As part of an ongoing chapter project, Robert Gilbert Livingston Chapter, Georgetown, Texas, met to pack comfort bags for residents attending the seven-week program at the Women’s Trauma Recovery Center (WTRC) at the Central Texas Veterans Health Care System in Temple, Texas. The WTRC is a residential program set up to improve the physical and emotional health of women veterans with a history of military sexual trauma. The comfort bags that chapter members pack are presented to the residents when they arrive to help them feel loved and cared for while they receive intensive treatment for the effects of military sexual trauma. The bags contain a bath towel, body wash, lotion, make-up, a calendar, a journal, candy, a coffee mug, hot chocolate, teabags, a pill minder and fuzzy socks.

Robert Gilbert Livingston Chapter takes a group of members to the graduation ceremony of each WTRC class to hear their moving stories. These ladies are true examples of the program’s butterfly logo, which represents their transformation. Every veteran’s story is an inspiration, for it shows what a damaged human heart can overcome.

In 1946, Guthrie Chapter, Guthrie, Okla., placed an NSDAR marker at the original Guthrie City Hall building to commemorate the site of the 1906 Oklahoma State Constitutional Convention. This beautiful belfry and turret-style building was razed in 1956, and a modern city hall building was erected in the same location. Once again, in 1996, the outdated structure was removed, making way for the current city hall building. Thankfully, the commemorative marker had been removed from the original building and stored by the city of Guthrie.

On April 24, 1998, Guthrie Chapter merged with the nearby Samuel King Chapter, Edmond, Okla., retaining the name of the latter. Nelda Brown, a Samuel King Chapter member and Guthrie resident, later discovered the location of the marker. Ms. Brown arranged for the marker to be cleaned and mounted and secured permission to display it from the city of Guthrie. On May 22, 2012, a ceremony was held to celebrate the return of the marker to the original site, albeit in the latest city hall building. Oklahoma Daughters from all over the state attended the celebration. The group enjoyed lunch at the historic Victorian Tea Room before attending the ceremony.

Members of Sarah Steele Sibley Chapter, St. Cloud, Minn., voted to raise money for a local historic preservation project—the cleaning of the monument and 15 markers on the Charles Andrew Gilman plot at the Pioneer Benton County Cemetery in Sauk Rapids, Minn.

Charles A. Gilman came to Minnesota in 1855 from Gilmanton, N.H. In 1861 President Abraham Lincoln appointed him to a U.S. Land Office position in Saint Cloud. Gilman served as a state senator from 1868–1869, a member of the House of Representatives from 1875–1879 and also in 1915, Minnesota lieutenant governor from 1880–1887, and Speaker of the House in 1879. He played a key role in building the railroad from Sauk Rapids to Brainerd. He and his family lived on the south end of what is now Hester Park, which is named after his wife, Hester Cronk Gilman. Gilman donated the land to the city in 1910 after her death.

The Gilman monument was extremely discolored, and some of the markers were covered with moss. After receiving permission from Benton County Cemetery Board, Wayne Winkelman Cemetery Lettering cleaned all 16 stones and raised one sunken stone, all for a reduced fee. Members trimmed around the stones and removed branches hanging over the plot.

On June 9, 2012, June Graves Hensley, a member of Southwest Point Chapter, Kingston, Tenn., celebrated 30 years of membership in the DAR. Her Revolutionary War ancestor, Martin Miller, also fought in the War of 1812. Mrs. Hensley became a member of the DAR on December 9, 1982, when she joined the
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Simon Harris Chapter, Knoxville, Tenn. In 1998, she joined the newly formed Southwest Point Chapter. She has served as chapter treasurer, and has made many blankets for veterans and children.

Mrs. Hensley is also a member of the General Henry Knox Chapter of the United States Daughters of 1812, which she served as treasurer for nine years. Additionally, she has served as treasurer for the Friends of the Library, which she also helped organize, and she is a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, No. 89.

The Southwest Point Chapter recognizes and appreciates Mrs. Hensley for her 30 years of service to the DAR and other organizations.

Members of William Henshaw Chapter, Martinsburg, W.Va., concurred with past Chapter Regent Ruth Martin that a military medallion should be included on Ann Henshaw Gardiner’s marker at Rosedale Cemetery to honor her service as a nurse in the United States Army during World War I. Miss Martin’s challenge was to locate a family member who could authorize the marking. After three years, she was successful! Miss Gardiner’s niece, Mary-Ann Gardiner, Ph.D., along with her son Jonathan and granddaughter Lydia, traveled from North Carolina to attend the marking on October 27, 2012. A military service was led by the Veterans Combined Honor Guard of Martinsburg.

The chapter then celebrated the late Miss Gardiner’s distinguished career as a nurse, teacher, historian and author. She became the first instructor at the Duke University School of Nursing, where she taught for 10 years. Miss Gardiner then returned to West Virginia to nurse her mother and stayed to become the Director of Nursing at King’s Daughters and City Hospitals in Martinsburg, positions she held for more than 20 years. Miss Martin, a registered nurse who studied under the late Miss Gardiner at King’s Daughters, declared, “She was absolutely the best instructor you could ever have.”

Milestone Member Birthdays

Doratha Schmisseur, a member of Cahokia Mound Chapter, Belleville, Ill., celebrated her 100th birthday with a party on February 21, 2013. Mrs. Schmisseur lives in an apartment on her own in Colorado, near her son. She enjoys painting, genealogical research—she can trace her lineage to 532 A.D.—game night, potlucks and tending African violets. She has been a DAR member since October 1981. She has served the chapter as chaplain, registrar (twice), treasurer, librarian and corresponding secretary (twice), along with other activities.

We-Ah-Tah-Umba Chapter, Germantown, Tenn., celebrated the 107th birthday of its oldest member, Chapter Registrar Eugenia Hill Smith, on January 10, 2013, at Germantown Plantation. The S.A.R. Daughters of Liberty medal and certificate were presented to Mrs. Smith by Isaac Shelby Chapter S.A.R. President Milton Knowlton and Tennessee S.A.R. District VI Director Mott Jones, husband of chapter member Nancy Lou Jones.

Mrs. Smith was born January 11, 1906, in Booneville, Miss. She is a charter member of We-Ah-Tah-Umba Chapter, which organized October 15, 1966. She chose the chapter name to honor the Chickasaw American Indian brave who owned the land in the vicinity of Germantown’s present location, which was at that time in Mississippi. She married Clarence A. Smith and for many years they lived in Washington, D.C., where she worked for an insurance company. After retirement they moved to Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Smith has held many chapter offices. Currently, she is assisted in her role as chapter registrar by Betty Horn.

Check the Members’ Website periodically for Continental Congress updates http://members.dar.org/congress
The following ancestors were approved on February 2, 2013, by the NSDAR Board of Management after verification of documentary evidence of service during the American Revolution.

ADAMS: ADAM, ADDAMS, ADDOY
Jedediah: b c 1751 d 7-17-1833
ME m (1) Rebecca Hill Pvt MA
AVERY: AVARY, AVERA, AVERE, AVERET, EFERLIE
David: b 8-4-1737 MA d p 1790
NH m (1) Sarah X Pvt MA
BACON:
Nathaniel: b c 1748 d 11-22-1807
GA m (1) Elizabeth Anderson (2)
X X PS GA
GA m (1) Elizabeth X Capt SC
1830 PA m (1) Anna X Sgt PA
m (1) Rosa Moore Sol SC
ME m (1) Rebecca Hill Pvt MA
BROOKS: BROOKES
John:
BROCK:
Michael:
BREIDINGER:
John:
BREIDINGER:
John Michael: b 1-23-1759 PA d p
1830 PA m (1) Anna X Sgt PA
BROCK:
John: b 6-25-1753 d bu 4-17-1827
VA m (1) Ann Jones PS VA
BROOKS: BROOKES
James: b 3-30-1765 VA
d 4-20-1838 NC m (1) Nancy
Ann Wood Pvt VA
BROWN: BRAUN, BROWN, BROUN
Jacob: b c 1743 d p 11-28-1811
NC m (1) X X (2) Abigail Smith PS NC
CADY:
Nathan: b 10-15-1717 CT d bu
11-17-1789 CT m (1) Rachel Cady PS CT
CHEEVER: CHEVER
James: b c 1752 d 9-23-1839 MA
m (1) Sarah Brown Staff of MA
COMLY: COMLEY
Joshua: b 1-25-1741 PA
d 4-20-1830 PA m (1) Catharine Willett PS PA
COOK: COOKE
Amos: b 5-1-1728 PA d a
1-4-1783 PA m (1) Elizabeth Meredith (2) Agnes X Brown PS PA
Elijah: b 3-26-1746 MA
d 4-21-1812 NH m (1) Hepzibah X (2) Mehitable Johnson Pvt MA
DAVIS:
Amos: b 5-1-1728 PA d a
1-4-1783 PA m (1) Elizabeth Meredith (2) Agnes X Brown PS PA
Joseph: b 1761 VA d p 1850 KY
m (1) Betsy Knight Pvt VA
DE COCA Y AGUILAR DE
ARTAGA: COCA
Ubaldo: b 2-6-1744 SA
d p 12-1875 SA m (1) Juana Gutierrez De Bocanegra PS SA
DEAN: DEANE, DEAN, DEEN
Samuel Sr: b c 1733 d p 2-26-1780 MA m (1) X X Pvt MA
DENNY: DENNY, DENNIE
Thomas: b 10-12-1756 MA d
8-2-1842 MA m (1) Sarah Bryant PS MA
DIXON: DICKSON, DIXSON
Edward: b c 1726 d p 7-17-1797 VA
m (1) Sarah Turner CS VA
DOLBIER: DOLBEARE, DOLBEER
Jesse: b 8-28-1748 NJ
d 12-25-1832 NJ m (1) Esther X
(2) Mary Valentine Pvt NJ
DOREMUS:
John: b 10-11-1751 d 5-1-1821 NJ
m (1) Sarah Mandeville (2) Margaret Cadmus PS NJ
DUNNINGTON:
Peter: b a 1747 MD d a 4-9-1810
MD m (1) Sarah Monroe PS Sgt MD
EDSON:
Abel: b 1-19-1717 MA d p
2-4-1783 MA m (1) Margaret Conant CS MA
ELLIS: ALLIS, ELIS, ELLICE
Barnabas: b 12-9-1749 MA
d bu 11-18-1833 MA m (1) Ruth Mendall CS Pvt MA
EZERI:
Creech: b c 1756 NC d p 1810 NC
m (1) Mary Caldwell PS Pvt NC
FAILING: FAHLING, FEELING, FEHLING
Jacobs J: b 4-27-1761 NY
d 2-24-1841 NY m (1) Anna Nancy Cox Pvt NY
FARNUM: FARNAM, FARNHAM, VARNUM
Joseph: b 9-10-1740 CT d
2-8-1806 MA m (1) Anna Johnson Lt MA
FESLER:
Andrew: b a 1750 d a 6-1811 NC
m (1) X X (2) Mary X Pvt NC
FIELDS:
Thomas: b 1747 d a 2-1807
NC m (1) Elizabeth Betty Coffey PS NC
FLETCHER:
William: b c 1750 d a 8-7-1792
KY m (1) Winifred X Pvt VA
FORET: FOREST
Pierre Paul: b c 1746
d a 10-20-1797 LA m (1)
Marguerite Orillion PS LA
FULLER:
Zachariah: b c 1746 d a 2-17-1834 VA m (1) Letty X Pvt Sol VA
FUNKHOUSER:
Isaac: b c 1747 d a 9-17-1797 VA
m (1) Anna X Pvt VA
GEER: GEAR, GEERS,
GEHR, GERE, GHEER
Ezra: b a 1-12-1757 CT d 7-16-1824
VT m (1) Hannah Conner (2) Abigail Warner Pvt CT MA
GILMORE: GILLMOR, GILLMORE,
GILMON, GILMOR, GILMOUR
Toby: b a 1742 AF d a 19-1812
MA m (1) Rosanna Hack Pvt MA
GOFF: GOFE, GOUGH
George: b a 11-10-1739 MD d a
8-4-1808 MD m (1) X X Pvt MD
GRIFFITH: GRIFFETHS, GRIFFITHS
Joshua: b a 1745 d a 5-15-1797
SC m (1) X X PS SC
GUERRANT:
John: b c 1761 VA d a 1826 VA
m (1) Nancy Anderson PS VA
HARRIS: HARRISS
Elisha: b a 1758 d p 5-18-1824
OH m (1) Margaret McCormick PS Sol VA
John: b a 1744 d 3-16-1839 KY
m (1) X Pvt NC
HEIMBACH:
Michael: b 8-18-1762 PA d
11-1837 PA m (1) Katharina Wertman Pvt PA
HENDRICKSON:
William: b c 1758 d 3-10-1835 VA
m (1) Frances Collins (2) Peggy Stears (3) Nancy Mason Pvt VA
HENDRICKS: HENDRAKE,
HENDRICH, HENDRICK,
HENDRIX, HENDRYX
Peter: b c 1737 d p 10-15-1785 PA
m (1) Anna Godshalk PS PA
HENRY: HEINRICH, HENDRY
Robert: b 1763 d p 1832 GA m (1) Celia Fields Sol GA
HILTON: HYLTON
James: b c 1731 d a 1783 MD m (1) Monica X PS MD
HOPKINS:
Asa: b 11-13-1742 CT d 11-24-1776 m (1) Phebe Granger Pvt MA
ISBELL: ISBEL
George B: b 10-24-1746 VA d a 1820 VA m (1) Susanna X PS VA
JENNINGS: JENNINGS
Solomon: b 9-7-1748 MA d 2-12-1832 MA m (1) Molly Mary Barker Pvt MA
JOHN:
Jesse: b c 1760 d p 4-16-1788 SC m (1) Rhoda Townsend Pvt SC
KELDER:
Johannes: b bp 11-8-1753 NY d 9-1834 NY m (1) Pieterella Hoornbeck Pvt NY
KERLEY: KIRLEY
Henry: b c 1758 VA d p 1836 TN m (1) X X PS NC
KNITTE: GNITTEL, KNITTEL, NITTTEL, NITTEL
Frederick: b 12-17-1757 PA d p 9-1-1839 PA m (1) Catherine X PS Pvt PA
Michael: b c 1736 d a 6-13-1789 PA m (1) Anna Maria Schatz PS PA
LAND: LANDS
Thomas: b a 1727 d a 12-3-1798 NC m (1) Anne Sumter PS NC
LEIBY:
Frederick: b c 1751 d a 11-25-1817 PA m (1) Catherine X PS PA
LIMING: LEMING, LEMON
William: b c 1725 d a 11-10-1786 NJ m (1) Rachel Johnson PS NJ
MALLORY: MALERY, MALLERY, MALORY
Roger: b a 1755 d a 11- 1822 KY m (1) Sarah X PS VA
MARSH: MARCH, MARK, MASH, MERSCH
Jehiel: b c 1761 d 5-13-1812 NJ m (1) Elizabeth Marsh Pvt NJ
MARTIN:
Zachariah: b 10-4-1761 VA d 7- -1833 VA m (1) Eady Waller Pvt NC
MERIWETHER: MERIWETHER
Valentine: b 8-17-1761 VA d 8-15-1832 KY m (1) Priscilla Pollard Pvt VA
MERRILL: MERRELL, MERRELLS
Caleb: b 10-26-1735 CT d 5-3-1812 CT m (1) Susanna Tompkins CS CT
MORRILL: MORRAL, MORRALL, MORRILL
Levi: b 11-17-1731 MA d c 4- -1810 MA m (1) Molly Currier (2)
Dinah X Johnson NH
MORRIS: MARIUS, MORRISS
Benjamin Sr: b 6-3-1729 MA d 9-1-1791 MA m (1) Margaret Corbin CS MA
MORSE: MORS, MOSS, MOSSE
William: b 5-19-1738 MA d 11-29-1827 MA m (1) Mary Burbank CS MA
MULHERIN:
Charles: b c 1732 d p 3-17-1789 SC m (1) X X Sgt SC
NIEDERHAUS: NEDERHOUS, NETHERHOUSE
Daniel: b a 1751 d 1794 PA m (1) Elizabeth Reinhold Pvt PA
NORMAND:
Jean Pierre: b 3-27-1742 CD d p 7-9-1780 LA m (1) Marie Marguerite Vicknair PS LA
OWEN: OWENS
Joshua: b 9-15-1759 VA d a 2-5-1835 VA m (1) Mary Chambless (2) Sarah Green PS VA
PANK: PANK:
Stephen Jr: b a 1745 VA d a 4- -1791 VA m (1) Mary Watkins PS Lt VA
PARISH: PARRISH
Abraham: b c 1746 d a 11-18-1816 m (1) Sarah Clark (2) Susanna Riddle PS VA
PARKER:
David: b 4-1-1764 RI d 10-4-1851 VT m (1) Lydia Thomson (2) Betsey X White Pvt MA
PERRY: PEREY
Ichabod: b 9-20-1761 NH d a 6-7-1824 NY m (1) X X (2)
Eleanor X Pvt NH
PHILBRICK: PHILBROOK
Benjamin: b 6-10-1746 NH d 1-8-1844 NH m (1) Anna Knight Pvt NH
PICKARD: PACKARD
Henry: b c 1725 p d 7-16-1790 NC m (1) Elizabeth X PS NC
PIKE:
Aaron: b 5-20-1764 MA d 5-13-1815 MA m (1) Anna Pike Pvt MA
POTTER:
Rouse: b c 1752 d a 12-5-1831 RI m (1) Anna Shelden Pvt RI
QUILHOT:
Stephen: b bp 12-24-1758 NY d a 1-14-1798 NY m (1) Catharina Sleefer Sol NY
REINHARD: REINER, REINERT, REINHARDT, REINHART, RINEHART, RYON
Henry: b a 1745 d a 2-26-1816 PA m (1) Susanna X PS PA
RHODE: ROHADES, ROHADS, RODE, ROTH
John: b 2-2-1747 EN d 10-4-1827 SC m (1) Mary Talbird CS SC
RUTHERFORD:
John: b c 1753 d a 4-6-1818 TN m (1) X X (2) Margaret X Tawneyhill Sgt MD
SHAW:
Jacob: b 3-13-1760 MA d 8-28-1821 ME m (1) Molly Benson Pvt MA
SHEPARD: SHEPHARD, SHEPHERD, SHEPPARD, SHIPHARD
Jeremiah: b bp 8-11-1751 MA d a 8-19-1817 MA m (1) Elizabeth Webb Pvt MA
SHERMAN: SCHEURMAN, SCHRIMAN, SCHURMANN, SHARMAN, SHEARMAN, SHERMER, SHIREMAN
Gideon: b 5-19-1742 MA d p 6-9-1783 MA m (1) X X Cpl MA
SHUFFLER:
Philip: b a 1743 d p 5-20-1803 NC m (1) Mary Magdalena X PS NC
SIMMONS: SAMMONS, SEAMANS, SIMMONDS, SIMONS, SYMONDS
Peter: b c 1761 VA d a 8-22-1845 OH m (1) Mary Zumwalt Pvt VA
SMALLEY: SCHMELL, SMALL, SMEAL
Isaiah: b c 1758 d 7-7-1856 NY m (1) X X Pvt NY
SMITH: SCHMIDT, SMYTH, SMYTHE
Elijah: b c 1757 VA d a 1-17-1839 SC m (1) Rebecca X CS SC
Henry: b 12-4-1757 d p 11-27-1832 PA m (1) Barbara Flick Pvt PA
Petrus: b 7-19-1731 d 8-25-1798 NY m (1) Catherine Van De Mark (2) Gertruy Van De Mark Sol NY
Philemon: b bp 5-7-1758 MA d 7-16-1790 MA m (1) Mary Poland Pvt MA
William: b 5-19-1755 VA d 12-29-1836 VA m (1) Elizabeth Betsy Massie Pvt VA
SNUGGS: SNUGS
Richard: b a 1751 d 1810 NC m (1) X X PS NC
STEVENS: STEFFEN, STEFFY, STEPHENS
Nehemiah: b c 1761 CT d 1-6-1843 NY m (1) Hannah X Smn CT MA

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**SWAN: SWANN**

Thomas: b c 1751 d 7-8-1832 NC m (1) X X Sol NC

**SWEAT: SWETT**

Noah: b 3-31-1746 MA d 4-1-1784 MA m (1) Thankful Pierce PS MA

**SWICEGOOD: SWISGOOD**

John Adam: b 8-1-1752 PA d 10-11-1833 NC m (1) Mary Catharina X Sol NC

**THOMAN: DOMAN, DOME, DOMMY, DOMY, DUME**

Jacob: b 11-13-1723 d 9-4-1805 PA m (1) Susanna Bowman PS PA

**TITTLE: TICTHLE**

Peter: b 1759 PA d 1-8-1816 OH m (1) Mary X Pvt PA

**TROUP:**

Mary: b c 1750 d p 1799 VA m (1) Jacob Troup PS VA

**VAN VOORHEES: VANVOORHEES, VOORHEES, VOORHIES, VORHIS, VORIES, VORIS, VORYS**

Stephen: b 2- -1739 NY d 4-6-1816 NY m (1) Phebe Rider PS NY

**VINSON: VINCENT**

James: b c 1732 d p 10-26-1797 NC m (1) Unity X PS NC

**WATERMAN:**

Ezekiel: b 3-15-1729 CT d 2-24-1808 CT m (1) Silence Brett (2) Ruth Sawyer Case Huntington CS Pvt CT

**WHARTON: WARTON**

William: b c 1747 d p 1835 KY m (1) X X (2) Mary Pears Cpl PA

**WILLEY:**

Barnabas: b 12-27-1747 CT d 10-6-1830 VT m (1) Marcy X Pvt NH

**WILLOUGHBY:**

William: b c 1757 d 10-29-1815 VA m (1) Sarah Sally Sorrell Sgt VA

**WORTH: WIRTH**

Christian: b 9-10-1754 PA d 5-24-1798 PA m (1) Anna Barbara Emrich Pvt PA

**WYATT: WIATT**

James: b c 1715 d a 2- -1785 NC m (1) X X NC

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**State Activities**

**California Presents First DAR History Award Medal to a Presidential Library**

On February 15, 2013, nearly 300 attendees, including California Daughters, former White House officials, and friends and admirers of Richard Nixon, gathered at the Nixon Presidential Library and Birthplace in Southern California to celebrate Richard Nixon’s 100th birthday and the official opening of the Centennial Exhibit “Patriot. President. Peacemaker.” The highly visual presentation features the most important and influential aspects of the 37th president’s life. The entire exhibit may be viewed online at www.nixon100.org.

The California State Society presented the DAR History Award Medal to Richard Nixon Foundation President Sandy Quinn to honor the foundation for its contribution to the greater understanding of American history through its management and oversight of the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Birthplace. The foundation’s support for programs and exhibits, like the one just opened, as well as their efforts to manage the preservation of documents and material from the life and political career of our nation’s 37th president, embodies the spirit of this award. The Richard Nixon Foundation is the first awardee associated with a presidential library to receive the prestigious award.

**Hawaii Daughters Visit Pacific Aviation Museum with the President General**

Hawaii DAR members were thrilled to visit the Pacific Aviation Museum on February 28, 2013, during President General Merry Ann T. Wright’s visit to Hawaii. Arizona Honorary State Regent Beth Bugbee and her husband Jim, both museum docents, hosted the visit to this very special attraction that honors those brave men and women who provided air power and support to defend and preserve our freedom. The Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor, located on historic Ford Island, occupies World War II-era hangars.

After watching a short film detailing the events of December 7, 1941, Mr. Bugbee led DAR members on a tour of the authentic World War II-era planes, including an actual Japanese Zero, a P-40 fighter, and a civilian plane that was airborne and shot during the Pearl Harbor attack. Members also saw the Restoration Hangar, a working World War II-era restoration shop that is home to vintage aircraft, including a Cobra attack helicopter, a Soviet-designed MiG-15 and the “MiG Alley” exhibit, an F-14 Tomcat, F-15 Eagle, P-40 Warhawk, and the “Flying Tigers” exhibit. The tour ended with a surprise 91st birthday celebration for Mr. Bugbee that included a cake for Mrs. Wright, whose birthday was earlier that week.
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Victorian Christmas at the Richards DAR House Museum Mobile, Alabama

One of Mobile’s finest examples of Italianate style from the antebellum period. The house museum is famous for its lavish iron lace depicting the four seasons and the beautifully decorated period interior. The house is maintained and staffed by the five Mobile Chapters.

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Tristan de Luna Chapter  Virginia Cavalier Chapter
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Michael Davis and Samantha Spark
Kate Duncan Smith DAR School
Grant, AL

The Alabama Society DAR established the school in 1924 and many of the residents were descendants of Revolutionary ancestors. The school sits on top of beautiful Gunter Mountain and overlooks historic Kenmamer Cove. You are always welcome to visit!
Roger Sherman Chapter
New Milford, Conn.
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Metta Rehnberg Delmore
2012 National Outstanding Junior Member

Pictured with President General Merry Ann T. Wright on Opening Night of the 121st Continental Congress
Illinois State Organization, NSDAR
District I
“Parks of Illinois”

Lee Cabin in Black Partridge Park in Metamora, Woodford Co., is a two-story timber house of hewn logs built in 1836 and moved to the park in 1994. There are 430 acres of hiking trails, Illis, a meandering creek, and forest areas.
Submitted by Black Partridge Chapter

Japanese Bridge. DAR Real Daughter Lydia Moss Bradley donated the land to establish the park in honor of her daughter, Laura. The first park system in Peoria, Ill.
Submitted by Peoria Chapter

The Memorial Monument in Aledo, Ill., was dedicated July 4, 1878, by Gen. John A. Logan. It is a tall graceful statue of a soldier looking north. 357 names are inscribed on a marker that reads: soldiers killed in the Civil War.
Submitted by William Dennison Chapter

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Kewanee .......... Rebecca Heaton
Leclerc LaFingwell .......... Mary Jane Miller
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Rockwood State Park located near Morrison, Ill., features Lake Carlton with large areas of water lilies, plentiful stands of hardwoods and several areas of natural prairie plants. Other activities include fishing, camping, trails, picnicking, and hiking.
Submitted by Rock River Chapter

Soldiers and Sailors’ Monument Park, located across from the Bureau County Courthouse on Court House Square in Princeton, was dedicated in June 1913. A voter-approved tax enabled the $25,000 structure, designed by Frederick Hibbard, Chicago sculptor and architect. Eight bronze plaques state the names of Bureau County men and their units during Civil War service. Four bronze statues honor the four branches of service. Bronze Winged Victory on a globe tops the Vermont granite and marble monument.
Submitted by Princeton-Illinois Chapter

The Belvidere, Ill., Park features a Baltic Mill stage for concerts held from May to September in a natural setting. The concert venue is by the old mill and in the background is a stream and terraced seating on the hillside in natural limestone rock.
Submitted by A. Catrell Chapter

Gebhard Woods State Park was originally purchased from Mrs. William Gebhard in 1934. Today, hikers, campers, picnickers, and canoeists frequent this 30-acre site, making it one of the state’s most popular state parks. Located in Morris, the picturesque park is bordered on the south by the Illinois and Michigan Canal and to the north by Nettle Creek which gently flows along the perimeter and through the park, adding to its natural beauty and abundance of wildlife.
Submitted by Alida C. Bliss Chapter

The Atwood Park Veterans’ Memorial was built by local Boy Scouts to honor local war veterans in Rochelle, Ill. The Major Thomas Koritz Memorial honors his ultimate sacrifice made in Desert Storm. The memorial is one-of-a-kind as it is the only war memorial built in the United States by youth.
Submitted by Rochelle Chapter

Washington Park, a.k.a. Washington Square, occupies a square of one city block on the edge of downtown Ottawa and is surrounded by several significant historic structures. Within the park are the objects and structures at the 1873 Civil War Memorial, cannons from the Civil War, World War I, World War II, and a marker noting the site of the first Lincoln-Douglas debate, which was erected by the Illini Chapter, NSDAR on August 21, 1908.
Submitted by Illini Chapter

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Darlene Schoepski, District II Director
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District III
“Parks of Illinois”

FAIRVIEW PARK (left) in Decatur, Ill., was laid out in 1856 for the Macon County Fairgrounds. The City purchased it in 1903 and built the pavilion. The park now has 121 acres and is used for community, sports, and family events. Stephen Decatur Chapter donated the flagpole and flag in 2011.
Submitted by Stephen Decatur Chapter

MAJESTIC PARK (right) in Paxton, Ill., was created on the site of the Majestic Theater, which had been a part of Paxton for 87 years and was destroyed by fire in 2007. Today, Majestic Park, located next to City Hall, is a great place for a sack lunch or just to relax and watch the downtown activity.
Submitted by Governor Thomas Ford Chapter

KENNEKUK COUNTY PARK (left) close to Danville, Ill., is a 3,000-acre oak-hickory forest and native grass prairie all-season park, featuring a 170-acre lake and the Bunker Hill Historic Area of buildings both native to the site or saved from demolition and relocated to the site. The park contains three natural preserves within its boundaries.
Submitted by Governor Bradford Chapter

WEST SIDE PARK (right) in Champaign, Ill. was laid out as a public square for the county courthouse, then became the first park in Champaign County in 1859. The park features a fountain, sculptures, statues, and most recently a bronze plaque of the American’s Creed donated by Alliance Chapter in 2010.
Submitted by Alliance Chapter

WELDON SPRINGS STATE PARK (left) near Clinton, Ill., is a 550-acre park for all seasons. Purchased by Judge Lawrence Weldon before the Civil War, the land was leased to Weldon Springs for a chautauqua in 1900. The source of the natural springs is an ancient river. Veteran’s Point honors all veterans featuring many memorials.
Submitted by De Witt Clinton Chapter

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Governor Edward Coles-Sally Lincoln Chapter – Debra Sandercock, Regent
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Aurora-------------------------------Kelly Carey
Captain Hubbard Burrows--------Jane Hopson
Chicago-------------------------------Christina Bannon
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Downers Grove--------------------Carol W. Wandschneider
Elias Kent Kane-------------------Susan Schwertfeger
Elle Skinner------------------------Amy H. Myss
Fort Dearborn---------------------Nancy Ann Schultz
Fort Payne------------------------Elizabeth A. Fosler
George Rogers Clark-------------Ruth S. Holcek
Ike La Crosse---------------------Teresa McLeod
Twenty-First Star----------------Joyce P. Martin
Kankakee--------------------------Karen L. Childs
Kaskaikia-------------------------Rosalie Stanton Clary
Kishwaukee Trail----------------Catherine Johnson Carlson
La Grange-LePortage------------Rebecca Thames-Simmons
Little Fort-----------------------Hannah Rose Perron Gravelle
Louis Joliet----------------------Martha Hoffman
Martha Ibbetson--------------------Leah I. Stinsa
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Perrin-Wheaton--------------------Karen Elaine Barlow
Sauk Trail------------------------Barbara Childers Eagan
Signal Hill-----------------------Helen E. Martin
Skokie Valley---------------------Sara Lee Powell
Swallow Cliff---------------------Susan Snow

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Memorial Park is the oldest park in Arlington Heights and the only park dedicated exclusively to honoring the service and sacrifice of veterans and their families. The community feels that the Eternal Flame represents our eternal remembrance of the service and sacrifice of veterans and their families.
Submitted by Eli Skinner Chapter

Belmont Prairie is one of the last original prairies in Illinois. These amazing 10 acres support over 300 species of plants and wildlife. Countless beautiful prairie grasses and flowers, some rare to this region, can be observed in an undisturbed setting throughout all four seasons.
Submitted by Downers Grove Chapter

The Cook Memorial Library, also known as the Ansel B. Cook House, is a historic house museum in Libertyville. It was built as a Victorian house for contractor and politician Ansel B. Cook in 1878. He donated the home to be used as a public library. The home received a major Neoclassical renovation, opening to the public in 1921.
Submitted by Ansel Brainerd Cook Chapter

The Lake Bluff Gazebo, home for over 100 years of 4th of July parades, concerts, veteran celebrations, memorials, and family fun.
Submitted by North Shore Chapter

Buckingham Fountain is one of the largest fountains in the world. Dedicated August 26, 1927, the Chicago landmark sits in the center of Grant Park. The fountain itself represents Lake Michigan, with each sea horse symbolizing the states of Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Indiana that border the lake. It is the first fountain to make use of modern plumbing and lighting equipment.
Submitted by Chicago Chapter

Veterans Memorial Island is in Aurora, Ill. The monument, designed by Aurora architect Edward Dufo, will include five stone slabs rising 24 feet from a star-shaped base. Each slab will represent a branch of the military and be engraved with that branch's emblem. The monument is dedicated to all veterans from the area, past, present and future.
Submitted by Aurora Chapter

Winnetka Village Green and marble cenotaph containing names of Winnetka Soldiers who died in all wars. It is the center of village celebrations on Memorial Day, July Fourth, and Veterans Day.
Submitted by Kaskaskia Chapter

Two ponds, an award-winning restored native prairie that is also a certified wildlife habitat and bid and butterfly sanctuary, a butterfly garden, a woodland walk, and live animal displays are major features of Wildwood Nature Center in Park Ridge.
Submitted by Twenty-First Star Chapter

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Panfish Park, Glen Ellyn’s Village Arboretum was developed in 1990, includes 40 varieties of trees. The Conduit 15, a 10-ft. sculpture, was donated by the College of DuPage.
Submitted by Aran Harmon Chapter

Island Park In Momence (an Old Border Town established in 1843) proudly maintains a peaceful park for residents and visitors on an island between two branches of the Kankakee River.
Submitted by Kankakee Chapter

Portage Woods Forest Preserve in Lyons, the Chicago Portage National Historic Site is where, in 1673, Potawatamie Indians led French explorer Louis Joliet and Jesuit missionary Father Pierre Marquette to traverse the 1/2-mile portage site between the Des Plaines River and the Chicago River, from which they reached Lake Michigan. "The Gateway to the West" historians and scholars claim that the city of Chicago owes its existence to the location of the portage. This site is one of only two National Historic Sites in Illinois.
Submitted by La Grange - Le Portage Chapter

Burlington Park in Hinsdale is located across from the Village Hall. The scenic open park is also used for many Summer/Fall events, and the post-parade festivities for the 4th of July. A sculpture of Robert Frost is across from the water fountain which is located in the middle of the park.
Submitted by Captain Hubbard Burrows Chapter

Bird Haven Greenhouse & Conservatory sits on three acres of land within a 66-acre site comprised of Pilcher Park and Rigginbotham Woods. The Greenhouse & Conservatory was constructed at its current site in the early 1900s. This Italian Renaissance-style facility designed by the Lord and Burnham Company features spectacular floral shows with seasonal motifs during the fall, winter and spring. Year-round attractions are offered with a tropical house, cacti room and show house.
Submitted by Louis Joliet Chapter

This beautiful private garden is located in Barrington Hills, which features a stunning teal blue pergola surrounded by flowers.
Submitted by Signal Hill Chapter

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Lincoln’s New Salem State Historic Site is the closest thing to traveling back in time you’ll ever experience. New Salem is the reconstructed village where Abraham Lincoln spent part of his youth. The six years Lincoln spent in New Salem formed a turning point in his life and future career. From a gangling young man with few objectives in 1831, he became a man of purpose as he embarked upon a career of law and statesmanship. While at New Salem Lincoln engaged in a variety of activities. He clerked in a store, split rails, enlisted in the Black Hawk War, served as postmaster and deputy surveyor, failed in business, and was elected to the Illinois General Assembly in 1834 and 1836. The community was thriving when Lincoln was a resident; growth scaled in 1839 with the establishment of the county seat in Petersburg. Reconstruction of the village began in 1906 and was later conveyed to the State of Illinois where much restoration has been accomplished over the decades.

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Abraham Lincoln ~ Apple Creek Prairie ~ Be-kik-a-nin-ee
Captain William Penny ~ Christiana Tillson ~ Dorothy Quincy
Dr. Silas Hamilton ~ Nancy Ross ~ Peter Meyer
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Nan Elliot Memorial Rose Garden, Alton
LeClair Park, Edwardsville
The Cross, Effingham
Red Hills State Park, Lawrence County

Town Square, Marshall
Leaverton Park, Palestine
Band Pavilion, Highland Square
Belleview Park, Belleville

Bryan Memorial Park, Salem
Drew on Flower, Belleville
Lakeview Park, Waterloo

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George Rogers Clark Monument overlooks the confluence of the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers at Fort Massac, the first IL State Park. In 1778, during the American Revolutionary War, Col. George Rogers Clark led his regiment of “Long Knives” across the Ohio River into Illinois near the fort in British territory. They subsequently captured the British without firing a shot.
Submitted by Fort Massac Chapter

Garden of the Gods in Shawnee National Park, Southern IL. 3300 acres of forest and bluff formations such as Camel Rock, Mushroom Rock, and Anvil Rock.
Submitted by Samuel Elder Chapter

Nestled deep within the shadowy bottomland forests of the Cache River State Natural Area is Heron Pond, a shallow wetland dominated by cypress and tupelo trees. This park is a beautiful Designated Illinois Nature Preserve. Observant birders can expect to see bald eagles, red-tailed hawks, great horned owls, barred owls, and turkey vultures.
Submitted by Daniel Chapman Chapter

First IL Governor Shadrach Bond Monument, IHPA Historic Site. 4 acre park setting located in Evergreen Cemetery, Chester, and Randolph County.
Submitted by Liberty Bell of the West Chapter

This bronze sculpture is a centerpiece of tribute to women veterans. It depicts the Revolutionary War era by a replica of Molly Pitcher and today’s veteran, Tammy Duckworth. A memorial wall is built behind the sculpture, and the bricks are inscribed with names of women veterans, and Patriots.
Brehm Memorial Library Park, Mt. Vernon
Submitted by Old Goshen Trail Chapter

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Michael Hillegeras - Sharon Tanner
Samuel Elder - Christy Short

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Mount Carmel - Donna Sigler
Shawnee Trail - Ella-Margaret Lee

Daniel Chapman - Loudene Lemme
Liberty Bell of the West - Bernice Cowan
Old Goshen Trail - Kathryn Greenwood
Wabash - Lucinda Conley

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The Maine Daughters put 100% into embracing the State Regent’s project to preserve and promote Maine’s heritage through protecting our natural resources through creating Leave No Trace lessons, recycling, using cloth napkins, turning off lights, conserving water, picking up trash at historic sites and visiting state parks, running neighborhood clean-up days, following signs to keep on paths, taking photos verses taking natural souvenirs, and appreciating the world around them. The list is endless and these ladies deserve huge KUDOS for their attention to “green” actions!
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- NSDAR School Tour 2010
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  House Committee
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- Established the Page Patron Fund
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- State Treasurer 2004-2007
- State Regents Project Co-Chairman 2007-2010
- Member-for Member Credits-36
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- State Conference Assistant Marshal
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- State Membership Committee Co-Chairman 2007-2010
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- NSDAR Award for Outstanding Historic Preservation
  Project by a State Society
- Developed “Adopt A Stone” Campaign for Santa Fe Trail
  Marker Restoration
- NSDAR Award Outstanding Service to DAR 2008 and 2009

Community Service
- Salvation Army Womens Auxiliary
- St. Ann’s Catholic Church Womens Auxiliary
- Cub Scout Leader
- Brownie Leader
- Girl Scout Leader
- Great Books Leader
- St. James Catholic Church Soup Kitchen
- Harvesters/Quisenberry Golf Tournament Volunteer-15 years
- Recipient of the SAR Martha Washington Medal 2013

Additional Memberships
- National Association of Parliamentarians
- P.E.O. Sisterhood, Chapter GI
- Colonial Dames of America, Chapter XIII, Current President
- Daughters of American Colonists (Past State Recording Secretary)
- Colonial Dames of the Seventeenth Century
- Daughters of Colonial Wars
- Order of Descendants of Colonial Physicians and Chirurgiens
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The State Regent’s project has been the restoration of the kitchen in the welcome
center with a storage location for state records. Several recent additions to the
collection are the donation of a Civil War ambulance that was utilized by both the
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GREENVILLE'S WOMAN'S CLUB
(Meeting place of Nathanael Greene Chapter)

In the year 2012 Beattie House, a home still mellow and warm with hospitality, marked its 178th birthday. Beattie House is the second oldest residence in Greenville County and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

NATHANAEL GREENE CHAPTER

First Row: State Regent, Dot Lind; Nathanael Greene Chapter Regent, Betty Elliott; District I Director, Harriet Nash (Fort Prince George Chapter); Vice President General (2000-2003), Ann Crider.

Second Row: Nathanael Greene Board Members, Kitty Thiels, Priscilla Smith, Carolyn Auvil, Past-Regent, Beth Sutton, Jeannine Preston.

South Carolina Daughters of the American Revolution
District II

PROUDLY PRESENTS SPARTANBURG REGIONAL HISTORY

The Historic Price House, built in 1795, is on the National Register of Historic Places and tells of the work done by settlers and slaves who transformed the backcountry of South Carolina into an integrated part of the young United States.
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Daniel Morgan
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Fair Forest
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Kanawha
Kate Barry
Kings Mountain
Mary Adair
Nation Ford
Thomas Woodward
DISTRICT III CELEBRATES PRESERVING HISTORY

The Pickens-Salley House was first known as “Edgewood.” Originally near Edgefield, it was built in 1828 for Frances W. Pickens, State Representative and Senator, Congressman, U.S. Minister to Russia and Governor 1860–1862 during the secession crisis and the first two years of the Civil War. In 1929 Eulalie Chafee Salley, pioneer woman suffragist, real estate broker, and developer, saved the house. She supervised its dismantling, relocation to the Kalmia Hill area of Aiken, S.C., and its restoration. Developer Ronny Bolton donated it to the University of South Carolina Aiken.

CHAPTERS OF DISTRICT III AND THEIR REGENTS

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Fort Dorchester
Summerville, SC

Fort Dorchester is a brick powder magazine enclosed by a tabby wall eight feet high that was built in Summerville in 1757. During the American Revolution, Dorchester was a strategic point. In 1775 the magazine was fortified and the garrison commanded by Capt. Francis Marion. British troops occupied the town in April 1780. They were driven out by cavalry and infantry under Colonel Wade Hampton and General Nathanael Greene on December 1, 1781. Fort Dorchester is considered the best tabby fortification in America.
South Carolina Daughters
District V

Historic Trustees For Future Generations

District V Director, Linda Stokes Hawkins
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Phyllis Murff Hagan
Sumter’s Home
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Proverbs 22:28 - "Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set."
South Carolina DAR
District VI Daughters
Promote Historic Preservation

The Grove – A South Carolina Historic Home

Built in 1895, this 7,000-square-foot, Eastlake style manor house sits on 10 acres in the heart of the city of Marion, S.C. It was once home to four generations of the Montgomery family, powerful players in the history of the state. The acreage is a remnant of a large farm which refused to yield to development. The grounds still contain the gardens and buildings which were once needed in operating the estate. Over a decade ago, the Grove was converted to a bed and breakfast. It serves as a popular tourist stop as well as an ideal location for DAR meetings and events.

District VI Chapters – Preserving the Past, Enhancing the Present, and Investing in the Future

Blue Savannah-Swamp Fox
Drowning Creek
Elizabeth Peyre Richardson Manning
Eliza Lucas Pinckney
Fort Sullivan
General Marion’s Brigade
Margaret Gregg Gordon
Peter Horry
Rebecca Motte
Rebecca Pickens
Samuel Bacot
Theodosia Burr
Winyah

District VI Regents gather in the barn to watch the restoration of one of the Grove’s original dormer windows. The barn had nearly fallen into ruin but was restored in 2006. Today it serves as a workshop.
Tennessee Society Daughters are honored to present and support

Tennessee State Regent Nancy Garrison Hemmrich

As a Candidate for Vice President General

At the 123rd Continental Congress

June 2013
Patricia Musick Hatfield
State Regent of Virginia, 2010-2013
Candidate for the Office of Vice President General
at the 122nd Continental Congress

Highlights of the
Hatfield Administration

- $40,000 to the State Regent’s Project—Abingdon Muster Grounds for museum quality display cases
- $36,942 for Historic Preservation in Virginia
- $103,000 to the President General’s Lay Light Project
- Increased Membership to over 9,000 Virginia Daughters
- $13,000 for Preservation of Records including restoration of numerous county court records

“DAR Together in Harmony—Celebrating the Past, Inspiring the Present, Anticipating the Future”
Washington State Society
Daughters of the American Revolution
Proudly Presents
State Regent
Janelle Braithwait
and
State Officers for
2012-2014

Seated: Joretta Heath, Recording Secretary; Julie Pittmann, Second Vice Regent; Janelle Braithwait, Regent; Carol Jean Gaffney, First Vice Regent; Alice Stenstrom, Chaplain
Standing: Sara Palmer, Librarian; Hilda Meryhew, Historian; Patricia Hughes, Registrar;
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National American Heritage Awards for 2012

Patricia Albertson, Marcus Whitman Chapter, 1st Acrylic Painting; Jane Ritchey, Elizabeth Ellington Chapter, 1st Knitting; Michelle Coykendall, Narcissa Prentiss Chapter, 1st Machine Quilted Wall Hanging; Susan Cagle, Esther Reed Chapter, 1st Porcelain Doll; Rosemary Slamp, Esther Reed Chapter, 2nd Music; Jennifer Schmidt, David Douglas Chapter, 2nd Machine Stitched Quilt; and Richi Caldwell, Esther Reed Chapter, 3rd Cloth Doll.
NSDAR UNITS OVERSEAS CHAPTERS

Twenty-six DAR chapters in thirteen foreign countries and one USA territory work to promote NSDAR objectives. To assist them in fulfilling their chapter achievement and obligations, consider becoming an associate member of as many of these chapters as desired. All information is accessible on the Units Overseas Committee website on the DAR Members’ Website.

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San Carlos, San Carlos

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Candidates for the Offices of: (Front Row) Barbara Hensley Carpenter, Recording Secretary General; Ann Turner Dillon, First Vice President General; Lynn Forney Young, President General; Ann Salley Crider, Chaplain General; Karon Kading Jarrard, Corresponding Secretary General; (Back Row): Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer, Reporter General; Bana Weems Caskey, Historian General; Sharon Mayne Withers, Registrar General; Denise Doring VanBuren, Organizing Secretary General; Martha Gee Barnhart, Treasurer General; Judy Harlan Chaffin, Librarian General; Jennie May Rehnberg, Curator General.

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For information visit our website at: www.nationalsocietydfpa.org or contact the National Membership Chairman Glydie Nelson nsdfpainfo@yahoo.com

The Nevada State Society presented the NSDAR Mary Desha Founders’ Medal for Youth to John Rupert, a 10-year-old Paiute-Washoe American Indian, during the 2012 American Indian Achievement Awards Banquet at the Governor’s Mansion in Carson City. John served as the Native American Indian Youth Ambassador for 2012, sharing his knowledge of tribal traditions with schoolchildren of several Western states.
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FREE BROCHURE
As I write my last message as national chairman of the DAR Magazine Committee, I am filled with gratification about our accomplishments and excitement for the future. The subscription goal that was set at the beginning of the Wright Administration has been exceeded! The March/April 2013 mailing count of 45,038 represents the highest count since the launch of American Spirit 12 years ago! The magazine was honored in the esteemed APEX (Awards for Publishing Excellence) competition during every year of this administration.

Our subscription and publishing success would not be possible without the consistent and creative promotion of chapter and state chairmen. By sending letters urging members to subscribe, performing magazine-inspired skits to capture Daughters’ attention during chapter meetings, using customized handouts and personal emails to encourage submissions to “With the Chapters,” and even, in one instance, creating a special mirror ball trophy to award to the overall winner of the Spread the American Spirit Subscription Contest, these chairmen showed their enthusiasm for promoting and celebrating the magazine and newsletter. Thank you!

It has been a pleasure to work with the members of the DAR Magazine team. Editor Denise VanBuren has always been the strong, steady, knowledgeable and talented guiding force behind our efforts. Printing and Publications Director Edith Rianzares, Publications Coordinator Courtney Peter and Circulation Coordinator Natalie Herndon are our marvelous staff members who take care of any and all things concerning the magazine with the utmost professionalism, concern for our mission and sense of humor. Our Executive Liaison, Librarian General Joan Hunter, has been a great counselor and teammate.

For those of you who will be attending Continental Congress next month, we look forward to seeing you at the Education Forum that will be held at the J.W. Marriott Hotel during the 3:30–5 p.m. time slot on Tuesday, June 25, 2013. All members are welcome, and attendees are encouraged to come and go during the forums. You can attend just one presentation or all of them, depending on your interests and personal schedules. We hope to see you there. Please don’t forget to stop by our table in Constitution Hall to say hello and take advantage of the Congress special subscription offer—a three-year subscription costs just $45, only during the week of Congress!

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve with the DAR Magazine Committee during the administration of President General Merry Ann T. Wright. I am indebted to Mrs. Wright for giving me the opportunity to expand my circles of friendship, service and commitment.

These are exciting times for Today’s DAR and the best is yet to come!

In circles of friendship, service and commitment,

Pamela S. Marshall
National Chairman, DAR Magazine Committee
E-mail: magazinechairman@dar.org

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