Fulfilling a Visionary Goal: The DAR at 125

THIS IS A GRAND TIME to be a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution as we celebrate the 125th Anniversary of our founding on October 11, 2015! Can you imagine how impressed our Founders would be to learn of the amazing accomplishments made by the nearly 1 million women who have joined the DAR? Founder Eugenia Washington said, “We want a society founded on service.” And indeed, that is what we have. At the 124th Continental Congress we were thrilled to announce that the Celebrate America initiative surpassed 10 million hours of recorded community service in just two years! Every chapter is encouraged to plan a special community service project on October 11 to celebrate this milestone anniversary. See http://youngblog.dar.org/celebrating-125-years-service-america for more information.

We hope you enjoy this complimentary commemorative issue of our award-winning American Spirit magazine and Daughters newsletter. Please read it thoroughly and take the opportunity to subscribe if you do not already do so.

During this quasquicentennial year, we have been Honoring Our Heritage as we reflect on the amazing history of the Daughters of the American Revolution. We are the beneficiaries of an incredible legacy of the vision and tenacity of our Founders and the nearly 1 million women who have built this organization. Now it is time to Focus on the Future as we provide for the future preservation, conservation and restoration needs of our magnificent Headquarters. It is an extraordinary time for DAR, as we celebrate 125 years of unparalleled accomplishments for our organization and define together a future that will Honor Our Heritage.

During the 124th Continental Congress, we announced that the Guardian Trust Campaign has been established to provide a permanently restricted fund to support the preservation and conservation of our National Headquarters architecture, the fine and decorative arts of the DAR Museum, the physical improvements and restoration of our historic property, and the immediate restoration needs at DAR Constitution Hall. Today, we believe it is time to permanently “guard that which is committed to our trust” and provide security for future generations of Daughters just like us. Not since our Founders set forth plans to build the finest building ever owned by women has this organization mounted such an ambitious campaign. We will seek your support, and that of all Daughters, to help raise $25 million to provide those much-needed endowment funds. The Guardian Trust will become the permanent and perpetual foundation for our financial security. Learn more at www.dar.org/guardiantrust.

What Our Founders Built, We Must Preserve.

Thank you for your consideration as we chart the path for the next 125 years, and for your enduring support of our Society and its work.

Celebrating America!

Lynn Forney Young, President General

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News from DAR Headquarters

Office of the Chaplain General
Necrology Report

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

Virginia Lee Steinberger Bryan (Mrs. Edward) on October 9, 2013. Mrs. Bryan served as North Dakota State Regent from 1964–1966. She was a member of Pierre Verendrye Chapter.


Eleanor Dorothy Winter (Mrs. Francis) on June 16, 2015. Mrs. Winter served as Iowa State Regent from 2004–2006 and as State Vice Regent from 2002–2004. She was a member of Cedar Falls Chapter.

Sending birthday greetings to Daughters turning 90, 100 and 100+ is the fun part of this office. State chaplains also send greetings to members age 90 and older. When requesting birthday greetings, please use the newest Chapter Chaplain Report Form and fulfill it completely and clearly. On the form there is a space to provide a personal fact. It could be specific to DAR, family or employment. If the member has been married and you do not know her husband’s name, mark it “yes.” Be sure to check the address.

Sometimes chapters don’t know who is turning these special ages, as earlier applications did not include birthdates. Make it a chapter project to record birthdates for all your members so that you may celebrate with these special Daughters!

Ann Salley Crider
Chaplain General

Office of the Corresponding Secretary General

The DAR Store did booming business during the 124th Continental Congress, meeting members’ needs for committee supplies and gifts. This officer’s appreciation goes to Manager Carolie Walker, Coral Caboga and Bernard Nuby, as well as mail room staff member Kevin Franklin, for expertly handling their duties. The volunteers who served the President General’s Project in Constitution Hall and those who staffed the sales room at the Grand Hyatt provided a pleasant and convenient shopping experience.

Check The DAR Store Online at www.dar.org/darstore for items to consider as you compile your holiday gift list. Anniversary commemorative china plates, presentation bowls and individually numbered silver spoons are available, but when they’re gone, they’re gone. Ann Hand, known as “the nation’s jeweler,” designed a commemorative DAR silk scarf that can be worn or displayed as a work of art. The DAR tartan produced by Scotland’s House of Tartan has been made into a silk scarf that every member will enjoy.
The DAR-opoly game is a popular addition to our inventory.

Consider consolidating an order for T-shirts for several chapter members. The shirts feature the Celebrate 125 logo on the shirt front and “Celebrating 125 Years of Service to America” on the back. Plan to wear the shirts to identify your DAR members as the chapter performs community service projects, especially on the National DAR Day of Service on October 11, 2015.

The DAR Store staff is always ready to serve members by telephone, fax or online. See the ad on page 384 for contact information.

Karon Kading Jarrard
Corresponding Secretary General

Offices of the Organizing Secretary General and the Treasurer General

Several significant changes affecting the work of chapter treasurers were announced during the 124th Continental Congress.

The National Society is pleased to share that chapter treasurers received their August 1 member dues invoices electronically, replacing the bulky, hard-copy printed versions that had been mailed in the past. This use of technology will allow the NSDAR to save both printing and postage expenses, but it will provide advantages to the chapter, as well. The electronic invoice form reflects a listing of the chapter’s member database as of August 1, and it provides chapter treasurers with the opportunity to create a worksheet to credit collected dues as they are received. It not only tabulates for Life Memberships but also automatically tallies the chapter’s dues total. This easy-to-use automated file will save chapter treasurers precious time and effort when completing the important annual function of dues remittance.

Once finalized by the chapter, the invoice will be automatically updated with the National Society. A printed copy of the final version will be kept by the chapter and a check will be mailed to the National Society for payment of the chapter dues prior to December 1, as been done in the past. It is the goal to provide electronic payment options by next year, though that choice will not be available for 2015.

Any residual or reinstated dues submitted after the annual invoice and chapter check have been finalized may be remitted to the National Society via the Dues Remittance Form, formerly titled the Chapter Dues and Remittance Fees Control Sheet, and available on the Members’ section of the DAR Website.

Please note another important change: In order to comply with the National Bylaws, chapters may no longer resign nonresponsive members. A member who provides her chapter with a resignation communication may be removed from the chapter roll; however, chapters may not resign any member from whom they have not received a communication. The unresponsive member whose dues remain unpaid shall be considered a “delinquent member” and will be automatically dropped by the National Society on the last day of February, per the National Society’s Bylaws.

Please also note that the Chapter Master Report has been adjusted to provide chapter credit for fulfilling this bylaw and maintaining a healthy membership roster. The following fields will be automatically filled:

• Item 1A will provide all chapters that collect dues from 90 percent or more of their members with 20 points of credit (rather than collecting national dues for ALL members), on the condition that the chapter’s dues are postmarked on or before December 1.
• Item 2C will provide 10 points for a net increase in chapter membership, as we strive to both retain our existing members and welcome new women.
• Item 2D will provide 10 points to those chapters that post a net increase in membership of 10 percent or higher.

Please regularly check the Announcements page Members’ section of the DAR Website and other communication channels in order to stay abreast of important changes such as these. We appreciate your cooperation and patience as we fulfill the terms of our National Bylaws and take advantage of technological advancements to better manage our operations and save you time. We are grateful for your continued devotion to our National Society.

Denise Doring VanBuren
Organizing Secretary General

Martha Gee Barnhart
Treasurer General

Office of the Registrar General

In 1892, the first Registrar General, Eugenia Washington, said this about applications: “This history (applications) will lose much of its value if the statements contained therein are not to be relied upon. Therefore, we recommend … an exact and full statement of the ancestors’ service and authority for the statement. For these records, we should remember, are collected not only for present use, but shall stand through future generations as monuments to our noble sires.”

We want our applications to stand the test of time! Registrars, lineage researchers, volunteer genealogists and others who research and prepare new member and supplemental applications should strive to make them as accurate as possible by adhering to the genealogical standards established by NSDAR. Currently, one out of every five applications submitted requires a request for additional information. We can do better! Tools are available to help:

• NSDAR Genealogy Guidelines, a publication containing the most current information for preparation of applications, supersedes all other publications. This searchable resource can be downloaded to your desktop computer,
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laptop, tablet or smartphone so that it is always available for review. Consult this publication FIRST when questions arise: www.dar.org/members/genealogyguidelines

• Information found on the Applications and Supplementals page on the Members’ section of the DAR Website complements the NSDAR Genealogy Guidelines. www.dar.org/members/applications-supplementals

• Six NEW videos presented at the Registrar General’s Forum during the 124th Continental Congress contain valuable information that will help prevent common errors in application preparation. www.dar.org/members/rforum2015

• The archived webinar Build An Application, also known as Build An App, can help prevent many pre-letters as well as requests for additional information. www.dar.org/members/buildanapp

• Application Basics is a presentation available from the state chairs of the Lineage Research and Volunteer Genealogists committees. Has it been presented to your chapter? If pre-letters are a problem for your chapter, arrange for a presentation.

• Assigned Volunteer Genealogists are available to work with your chapter to reduce the backlog of prospective member and supplemental applications, as well as train more chapter members on the proper preparation and documentation of applications. Call your Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission state chair or Volunteer Genealogist state chair to ask for assistance.

Did you hear the exciting announcement at Congress? Electronic submission of applications with supporting documentation and payment will soon be a reality! Stay tuned for an informational webinar about this exciting new development.

From e-Membership to the GRS to Image Access and Build An App to electronic submissions—Today’s DAR is focusing on the future!

Sharon Mayne Withers
Registrar General

Office of the Librarian General
New things are happening at the DAR Library!

The Library’s book series on the original 13 states continues with Virginia in the American Revolution: A Source Guide for Genealogists and Historians. This massive book of more than 1,300 pages provides references to records and studies from the Revolutionary era for Virginia and its “daughter” states and regions: West Virginia, Kentucky and the Old Northwest. There has never before been such an encyclopedic guide for these states on this subject. The DAR Store sells the guide for $60 postpaid for the printed version and $25 for the PDF version. Both may be ordered online at www.dar.org/darstore.

The previous source guides for New York, South Carolina, Georgia and Rhode Island are still available. Members and chapters should consider providing copies of these guides to libraries in their states, and state and chapter registrars will find these guides helpful in assisting prospective members with applications.

We are pleased to announce the commencement of new DAR Library programming. We invite all Daughters to join us for a series of author talks and book signings in the O’Byrne Gallery at DAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C. These events start at 1 p.m. and are free to all, with books available for purchase in the DAR Museum Shop. The programming schedule for the remainder of 2015 follows:

• Genealogy and the Law, presented Saturday, September 26, 2015, by Kay and William Freilich, will guide readers through the variety of legal sources that genealogists use to explain their ancestors’ lives. Land ownership, estate administration and taxation are a few of the many aspects of life that cannot be fully understood without knowledge of the law in effect at the time.

• The Last Muster Vol. I & II, presented Saturday, October 17, 2015, by Maureen Taylor. A remarkable work of documentary history, The Last Muster is a collection of rare 19th-century photographic images of the Revolutionary War generation. This extraordinary collection of images assigns faces to, and tells the stories of, our nation’s Founding Fathers and Mothers.

• George Washington’s Mulatto Man: Who was Billy Lee?, presented Saturday, October 31, 2015, by Jim Thompson. Although his association with George Washington allowed him to become famous, the reality of Billy Lee’s life was a tragedy. Thompson traces Billy’s life as Washington’s valet through all its vague twists and turns, and reveals a number of unfamiliar yet fascinating qualities of Washington’s character, as well as a number of neglected aspects of America’s racial history.

• Slave Labor in the Capital, presented Saturday, December 5, 2015, by Bob Arnebeck. In 1791, President George Washington appointed a commission to build the future capital of the nation. The commission found that paying masters of faraway Maryland plantations to hire their slaves kept costs low for the building of the city. In 1798, half of the 200 workers building the two most iconic Washington, D.C., landmarks, the Capitol and the White House, were slaves.

The series will continue in 2016 with many other book talks on historical subjects!

Judith Harlan Chaffin
Librarian General
News from DAR Headquarters

Office of the Curator General
“Remembering the American Revolution” Opening Soon

The DAR Museum’s new exhibit, “Remembering the American Revolution, 1776–1890,” opens October 9, 2015. For details about “Remembering the American Revolution”—as well as a sneak peek at several items that will be on display—see Museum Director Heidi Campbell-Shoaf’s article in American Spirit.

The DAR Museum Shop will have new exhibit-themed merchandise in stock this fall, and the education department is planning many new programs. Check future newsletters and www.dar.org/museumshop for more information.

Museum Deaccessions: June 2015

Because of the long period of time during which the DAR Museum has been collecting American decorative arts, there are many objects that have been accepted into the permanent collection that no longer meet the standards now in effect. These items are candidates for deaccessioning, which is the legal process of removing an object from the care of the museum. Objects may be considered for deaccessioning due to condition, origin or date. Deaccessioning is standard practice in American museums.

The Museum’s deaccession policy requires that objects are first reviewed by a staff committee and then approved by the Executive Committee. The manner of disposal of deaccessioned objects must be in the best interests of the Museum, the public it serves, and the scholarly and cultural communities it represents. Deaccessioned objects are either transferred to another tax-exempt public institution where they will serve the purposes for which they were originally acquired by the DAR Museum, sold at public auction or, if they are broken and not repairable, destroyed. All monies received from the sale of deaccessioned objects are reserved for the acquisition of objects for the Museum collection.

For a complete list of objects approved for deaccessioning during the June Executive Committee meeting, visit www.dar.org/members/museumdeaccessions.

Genealogy Queries

Cost per word: $1. All words count, including name and address; use the Word Count tool in Microsoft Word to determine amount due. Make check payable to Treasurer General, NSDAR and mail with query to the DAR Magazine Office, 1776 D Street NW, Washington, DC 20006–5303. 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.

MARSHELL: Need parents’ names of Eliza Marshell, Rhinebeck, N.Y., June 1814, d. January 1885, Rhinebeck, N.Y. Married 1835, Hyde Park, N.Y., to John Hanaburgh. Email georgiaa@optonline.net.

New Commemorative Publication:
125 Years of Devotion to America

Celebrate the Quasquicentennial of the National Society with the commemorative publication 125 Years of Devotion to America. This 120-page keepsake contains inspiring reflections, prayers and ceremonial excerpts that capture Daughters’ unparalleled devotion to our American way of life during some of the most important moments in the history of our Society and our nation. This hardcover compendium honoring the DAR’s steadfast dedication to faith, family and love of country will make a treasured memento of the historic Celebrate 125! observance. Supplies are limited! Order yours today from The DAR Store for just $10, plus $5 shipping and handling. Visit www.dar.org/darstore or call (888) 673–2732.

“Give us, we pray, women of faith, courage and stalwart heart and mind to honor Thee in service to God, Home and Country.”
—Prayer for the New Century, 1990
As the National Society celebrates its 125th Anniversary in 2015, each issue of Daughters newsletter includes a look back at a moment from the organization’s history.

After the small village of Tilloloy, France, was occupied by the Germans for three years during World War I, not one house was left standing. Former President General Julia G. Scott, who served as chair of the War Relief Committee during the administration of President General Sarah E. Guernsey, learned of this situation in 1917 from Madame Jusserand, the wife of the French Ambassador to the United States. An appeal went out to the chapters to raise $50,000 by a per capita tax of $.50, and almost all of the money was raised by the end of the Guernsey Administration. The funds were kept in America until conditions in France should warrant their use.

Mrs. Guernsey and her sister visited Tilloloy during the summer of 1919 to consider the best use of the funds. The French government would rebuild the village with money paid to them by the Germans, so it was suggested that the National Society install a complete water system in the village. Plans for the water system included an artesian well, a large reservoir, a windmill, 10 or 12 small hydrants along the roads, two fire hydrants, and two watering troughs for animals, one of which would also serve as a decorative fountain.

In June 1920, plans and estimates for the work were submitted to then-President General Anne R. Minor. The plans were approved with a few suggestions, and authority to proceed with the work was given. Work began in November 1920 and was completed in August 1921. Mrs. Minor went to France to attend the installation ceremony. Many distinguished guests from both countries attended, and the local roads were decorated to honor the DAR. At the conclusion of the dedication 70 participants enjoyed a luncheon, followed by a tour of the village.

A DAR Magazine article from the period details relief work for the village of Tilloloy. The inscription over the entrance arch to Tilloloy, France, reads “Blessed be the Daughters of the American Revolution.”

Units Overseas National Chair Virginia Lingelbach, France State Regent Dominique Favreul, President General Lynn Young, Tilloloy Mayor Gerard Comyn and Rochambeau Chapter member Lucy Morin at the memorial fountain in Tilloloy
News from DAR Headquarters

National Society to Dedicate Permanent Tribute to All Daughters in Celebration of the NSDAR Quasquicentennial

As an enduring legacy of its 125th Anniversary celebration, the National Society will dedicate “The Daughters Tribute” during the October meeting of the National Board of Management. The granite monument will honor the sacrifice and dedication of the nearly 1 million women who have sustained our Society and its enduring mission of service since 1890.

The Daughters Tribute will contain two components:

A NEW MONUMENT will be placed in the Memorial Garden, created during the administration of President General Doris White (1959–1962) and dedicated to all DAR members. The wording on the plaque will be a companion to that of the Founders Memorial:

TO THE WOMEN WHOSE PATRIOTIC DEVOTION HAS SUSTAINED THE NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

This Daughters Tribute Garden Rededicated to Honor Every Member In Celebration of the 125th Anniversary of the NSDAR October 11, 2015

It is hoped that members will gather here to honor the women who sustained the NSDAR as well as their own chapters and state societies. It will be the ideal location to pose for pictures that celebrate the camaraderie of today’s generation of active, engaged citizens devoted to God, Home and Country.

AN ELECTRONIC DATABASE accessed via the National Society’s Digital Donor Wall comprises the digital component of the Daughters Tribute. It will allow participants to honor Daughters as follows:
• $25: Honoree name and your name
• $50: Honoree name and photo, as well as your name
• $100: Honoree name and photo, your name, and a 100-word biography/testimonial.

Members may be honored multiple times. All submissions must be completed online. Members may contribute beginning October 11 at www.dar.org/DaughtersTribute. Proceeds will benefit the Guardian Trust Campaign, which provides for the future preservation, restoration and conservation of our beautiful historic buildings. Support counts toward your Heritage Club giving level. For more information, visit the Daughters Club website or call (800) 449–1776.

Both components afford the opportunity to recognize the women who founded and sustained your own chapter, as well as those who charted the course for our National Society.

Both components afford the opportunity to recognize the women who founded and sustained your own chapter through the decades, as well as those women who so boldly and bravely charted the course for our National Society. From mothers and grandmothers to mentors and friends, from charter chapter members to Honorary State Regents, these women deserve to be recognized as we together celebrate 125 years of astounding service to America. The Daughters Tribute also memorializes the friendship and connectedness of DAR, e.g. the woman who invited you to membership, the registrar who helped with your application, the aunt who first paid your dues, the members and friends who encouraged and inspired you, etc. It is designed to permanently celebrate the spirit of what it means to continue the legacy as a Daughter of the American Revolution.
National Headquarters regularly shares exciting and important information. You don’t want to miss any of it, and you don’t have to! With just a few clicks of your mouse, you can receive that information in real time, and you can even receive DAR updates and releases directly in your email inbox.

Utilize these free online resources so you never have to say, “Why didn’t I know about that?”

The Members’ Section of the DAR Website

www.dar.org/members

This members’-only area of the website has important, timely information specifically for members.

- Log in using your membership state, chapter (or member-at-large) and national number to gain secure access.
- Use the links at the top of the page to navigate, or click on the Search icon—it’s the magnifying glass at the top right—and type in what you are trying to find.
- Hover your mouse over the main menu items to view expanded menus directing you to specific pages.
- The front page of the Members’ section contains the latest announcements, but an archive is available so that you may view previously posted announcements as well.

- The Frequently Visited box on the right side of the site links directly to pages members often seek.
- If you have questions about the site, contact helpdesk@dar.org.

Today’s DAR Blog

blog.dar.org

The Today’s DAR Blog provides regular updates from the President General, who shares personal stories from her experiences and travels, as well as national chairs and DAR Headquarters employees, who explain DAR resources and initiatives related to their respective areas of expertise.

- Subscribe at youngblog.dar.org/subscribe-today to receive each new blog post directly in your email inbox.
- Pertinent and exiting new announcements are almost always released first on the blog.
- Search through archived blog posts to familiarize yourself with recent happenings and information.
- If you have questions about the blog, visit youngblog.dar.org/contact-us and send us an email.
DAR News Roundup

Sent via NSDAR emailer@dar.org

The DAR News Roundup conveniently provides all of the latest updates in one email, making it the easiest way to stay current on DAR news.

- This quarterly email goes out in February, April, August and October to all members who have an email address on file in e-Membership.
- Ensure that National Headquarters has your current email address. To update your email address, contact your chapter regent or the Office of the Organizing Secretary General.
- Check your spam filter and opt to accept emails from emailer@dar.org. Also note that if you click “unsubscribe” at the bottom of the DAR News Roundup email you will no longer receive pertinent emails from NSDAR.
- Short bullet points give you a quick overview of important topics. Click on those links to find out more.
- All the information provided in the Roundup has already been provided via the DAR Website, the Members’ section announcements or Today’s DAR Blog posts, but the Roundup collects everything in one place.
- If you take time to review this email just four times a year, you will better appreciate the exciting developments and initiatives occurring in our National Society. You will enjoy your membership more thoroughly, and you will be better prepared to tell the public and prospective members about all the activities of Today’s DAR.
- Contact publicrelations@dar.org if you have questions about the Roundup.

DAR National Headquarters Facebook Page

www.facebook.com/TodaysDAR

This is the official DAR Headquarters Facebook page. There are many DAR Facebook groups, but this is the only one monitored and updated by National Headquarters.

- Like and Follow the page so that DAR posts will show up in your Facebook news feed.
- Share posts from the page to help them gain greater exposure.
- If people post questions on the page, feel free to answer and engage with them in a positive manner.
- Facebook is a great place to share information about how to join the DAR and engage with prospective members.
- The Headquarters Facebook page is intended to spread public information to promote the many facets of the DAR, including the DAR Library, DAR Museum, genealogy, DAR history, DAR membership initiatives, etc. It is not used to disseminate membership-specific information or intended as a forum for internal Society policy.
- If you have questions about the DAR Facebook page, contact publicrelations@dar.org.

Share the information you learn with your DAR friends who don’t use the Internet, and encourage fellow tech-savvy Daughters to utilize these resources too!

Experience Continental Congress From Home

The best way to experience Continental Congress is to travel to Washington, D.C., to participate in person. However, the many members who cannot attend can still follow along via the Continental Congress website at www.dar.org/congress.

In the Congress Online section at www.dar.org/congressonline, you can read the Congress Herald for news updates and articles about daily happenings and view photo albums. Members can even watch the streaming video of the sessions live online during the week of Congress.

Mark your calendars now for the 125th Continental Congress in Washington, D.C., June 15–19, 2016. If you can’t make it in person, go online to share in the experience.
A Bold Vision for the Future of DAR
The Guardian Trust Campaign

Turning Our Hearts to Our Home

Founded during a patriotic revival after one of the most divisive periods in American history, the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is devoted to serving our nation. In this, our 125th year of service to God, Home and Country, the DAR is asking every Daughter to help shape the future of our Society and preserve our home.

Every President General has faced historic preservation challenges in maintaining our home in the nation’s capital. Each has successfully risen to the challenge, in some cases mounting an extraordinary effort to finance an immediate restoration need in our buildings. But those efforts are not without their own costs. They have often come at the expense of other highly visible and worthwhile projects that would help our organization have an even greater, more impactful reach.

Like all great leaders, our Presidents General have had to make difficult choices, setting aside tremendous opportunities for the Society that would make a lasting difference to our country in order to take care of our home.

What Our Founders Built, We Must Preserve

Now is the time to permanently “guard that which is committed to our trust” by establishing the Guardian Trust Campaign. This campaign will establish a permanent endowment to provide financial security for future preservation and restoration needs of our home and will fund immediate restoration needs at Constitution Hall.

The Guardian Trust will become the permanent and perpetual foundation for our financial security. This is no different than how we manage our own finances in our personal lives. We save and invest so that we can confidently face the future. The time has come for NSDAR to do likewise by creating a permanent fund restricted and invested so that future Presidents General will have the ongoing financial support to preserve and maintain our historic property.

As Daughters, it is our privileged responsibility to preserve our treasures for future generations. We invite you to join us as we embark upon this vital mission and leave your mark on our nation’s future, just as your Patriot ancestors did generations ago.

Your Gift to the Guardian Trust Campaign will help preserve for future generations the sacred space we call our home. Chapters and States will receive credit toward the campaign goal and will be recognized at the 125th Continental Congress. For more information and to view the Guardian Trust video, please visit www.dar.org/guardiantrust.

To speak with someone about this historic opportunity, please call the Office of Development for more information on how to make a pledge: 1 (800) 449–1776.
Office of Development

‘What This Society Needs First And Foremost Is a Home’

“It should be the finest building ever owned by women.”

NSDAR founding officer Mary Virginia Ellet Cabell’s vision for the Society’s home came to fruition. Encompassing an entire city block located one block from the White House in downtown Washington, D.C., DAR Headquarters is one of the world’s largest buildings of its kind owned and maintained exclusively by women. And now we must give it the attention that it deserves. What Our Founders Built, We Must Preserve. The Guardian Trust Campaign will allow us to do just that.

- Preserve our historic complex by sustaining the integrity of the beautiful home our Founders built while retaining the buildings’ original character
- Support much-needed renovations and ongoing restoration of our historic property, making current funds available in the annual operating budget for innovative programming
- Make necessary infrastructure improvements throughout the complex
- Continue to build our endowment for ongoing planned and unplanned capital needs to ensure NSDAR’s financial security in perpetuity

C onstitution Hall, designed by John Russell Pope, is one of three buildings in the complex owned by the NSDAR located one city block from the White House. Constitution Hall, a National Historic Landmark, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Hall is used for a variety of events throughout the year, including the annual DAR Continental Congress. Additionally, more than 1 million people visit Constitution Hall each year for events including graduations, military band concerts and other concerts, the Horatio Alger Awards, and the Library of Congress Gershwin Award for Popular Song.

In addition to the establishment of the Guardian Trust Endowment, the campaign includes provisions for immediate restoration needs at Constitution Hall.

- Restore and repair original lobby finishes, including the ornamental plaster medallions
- Remediate areas of hazardous materials
- Improve air distribution and mechanical controls to introduce fresh air
- Improve accessibility for patrons and performers
- Install T-8 lighting fixtures in the attic as well as an emergency backup lighting system

PULLING BACK THE CURTAIN AT DAR HEADQUARTERS
The DAR Store

Office of the Corresponding Secretary General

THE DAR STORE
Celebrating 125 Years of Service to America!

Don’t miss this exclusive opportunity to purchase special-edition commemorative keepsakes!

DAR Ann Hand Scarf
This 100 percent pure silk scarf was designed and produced by Ann Hand, LLC, known as “The Nation’s Jeweler,” exclusively for NSDAR. Beautiful and varied shades of blue provide a background for images of the NSDAR flag, the Betsy Ross American flag and Memorial Continental Hall outlined in brilliant gold tones. The words GOD, HOME, COUNTRY are prominently displayed along three of the scarf’s borders. Measuring 35 inches square and made in France, this exquisite keepsake arrives in a black gift box with gold lettering, accompanied by a 125th Anniversary commemorative leaflet—$300

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American Heritage

The American Heritage Committee preserves our rich traditions in the fields of art and sculpture, crafts, literature and drama, music, and fiber arts. Members are invited to participate in the various contests within each of these categories. Detailed information for each of the contest categories, entry forms and category-specific due dates can be found at www.dar.org/members/amerher.

The American Heritage Contest is now accepting both individual and group entries. Individual entries must be the original work of the person entering. You may not enter another person’s work. Group entries must be the original work created by the family, chapter or state group members. Groups consist of two or more individuals who were all members of DAR at the time the work was created. All members should be involved in both the planning and creation of the entry. On a separate sheet of paper, list each member of the DAR group and how she contributed to the entry.

Whether it’s an individual or group entry, the entry must incorporate the theme for the 2015–2016 contest: “Celebrating The Arts from the Time of Our Founding Daughters to the Present.”

Fiber arts entry deadlines vary by state: Please contact your state chair to determine your state’s deadline. All entries are to be sent to the state chair.

Art and sculpture, crafts, literature and drama, and music entries are to be sent to the appropriate national vice chair between January 2, 2016, and February 15, 2016. Send a copy of your contest entry form only to your state chair.

Each American Heritage Contest entry must include the following components: a contest entry form; a written explanation of the work, at least one paragraph in length but not to exceed one page; as many 4” x 6” photo prints—unframed and without borders—as necessary to properly depict the entry; and a CD containing digital images of the submitted photos (JPG format preferred). All photographs should be clear and focused to help the judges see the entry. Blurry photos are not helpful. Group entries also must submit a list of group members.

AnnaLisa Lauer-Hansing
National Chair

American History

With 2015 marking the 125th anniversary of Ellis Island as an immigration station, more than 42,000 students in grades five through eight participated in this year’s American History Essay Contest, “A Child’s Journey Through Ellis Island.” Congratulations to all national winners of the American History Essay Contest!

First Place: Sara Ann Brittain, N.C., Quaker Meadows Chapter, fifth grade; Julie Griswold, Pa., Arapahoe Chapter, sixth grade; Janie Noelle Childs, Utah, Salt Lake Valley Chapter, seventh grade; Bethany Cooksey, Ore., Yamhill Chapter, eighth grade.

Second Place: Kyle Stern, W.Va., Pack Horse Ford Chapter, fifth grade; Hannah Buckman, N.C., Joseph McDowell Chapter, sixth grade; Mira Wibel, Wash., Esther Reed Chapter, seventh grade; Karina Feng, Okla., Black Beaver Chapter, eighth grade.

Third Place: Mary Elizabeth Hohn, Mont., Oro Fino Chapter, fifth grade; George Stephan, Conn., Abigail Phelps Chapter, sixth grade; Grace Ann Hagemeister, Wisc., Ah Dah Wa Gam Chapter, seventh grade; Lucas Kyle Bleyle, Iowa, Sun Dial Chapter, eighth grade.

National first-place winners were recognized during Continental Congress, where they received a certificate, a pin and a cash award of $1,000. National second-place winners received a certificate and a cash award of $500. National third-place winners received a certificate and a cash award of $250. The first-place winning essays have been posted on the committee website at www.dar.org/members/americanhistory.

American Indians

Congratulations are also extended to the national winners of the Christopher Columbus Essay Contest, who wrote essays on “Joining Christopher Columbus on His Voyage to the New World”: first place, Claud J.A. Boyd, S.C., Henry Middleton Chapter; second place, Katherine Anne Cooley, Ind., John Connor Chapter; third place, Joshua L. Yang, Mo., Mary Hempstead Lisa Chapter.

Each year, the winning Christopher Columbus essay is read by the author at the Columbus Day Celebration at the Columbus Memorial in Washington, D.C. The national winner receives a cash prize, transportation to Washington, D.C., and lodgings. The second- and third-place winners receive a cash prize.

Accolades and thanks go to all chapter, state and division vice chairs involved in making it possible for the students to participate in these essay contests.

Keep up the good work as we continue to Celebrate America through the American History Committee!

Laura M. Kessler
National Chair

American Indians

This year, a dream of the American Indians Committee came true: The committee hosted an American Indians Luncheon during Continental Congress, at which we entertained distinguished guests and raised more than $3,000 via auction.

Two funds are associated with this committee: the Friends of American Indians Scholarship Fund and the American Indians Fund. For each of these funds, a pin is available from Hamilton Jewelers. Members may become eligible to purchase each pin by making a donation of $200.

The Friends of American Indians Scholarship Fund provides scholarships to Native American students, while the American Indians Fund provides nonscholarship funding to Bacone College, Chemawa Indian School, the
Indian Youth of America Summer Camp and other educational programs benefitting Native Americans.

President General Lynn Young’s theme is “Honoring Our Heritage, Focusing on the Future, Celebrating America!” This committee has accomplished all three. We honored our heritage by compiling a booklet containing past American Indian Minutes as a luncheon favor. A limited number of booklets are available from this national chair upon request for $12 each, postage included. We focused on the future by raising money for the education of American Indian youth. And we celebrated America in one of the best ways we know, by honoring the first Americans.

It was indeed a year of dreams come true. Daughters are encouraged to give generous donations to make even more dreams come true for Native Americans.

Frances B. Crutchfield
National Chair

Celebrate America!

The National DAR Day of Service on October 11, 2015, provides each member an opportunity to honor her DAR heritage by serving others in communities near and far. Join chapter members in a special project of the chapter’s own choosing. It matters not where you find yourself. Volunteer opportunities exist—we must just be willing to serve in some yet-to-be-realized ways. Proudly wear the National DAR Day of Service T-shirts (available at The DAR Store) to promote DAR during your service activity.

Service could involve veterans, those in nursing homes, a celebration in the community, museums and historical sites, a conservation project, C.A.R. members, scouts—the list is endless!

The combined 2013 and 2014 total of Celebrate America! hours now stands at more than 10 million hours. We are well on the way toward meeting our overall goal of providing 12.5 million hours of service during the Young Administration, in celebration of the National Society’s 125th Anniversary! Wouldn’t that be phenomenal?

Log service hours via the Celebrate America Online Tally, which can be accessed by any member through the Members’ section of the DAR Website. Watch the constantly changing tally of 2015 hours.

For more information about this special initiative, please review the committee website. Contact this chair with specific questions about acceptable service.

Share photographs and stories about your service by sending an email to DARCelebrateAmerica@gmail.com anytime.

Our goals are attainable. It is up to each one of us to put the words of Eugenia Washington into action: “We want a society founded on service.”

Celebrate America! in all that you do!

LeAnn F. Turbyfill
National Chair

Chapter Achievement Awards

All chapters will soon be completing the 2015 Chapter Achievement Awards report, which is part of the Chapter Master Report (CMR) on e-Membership. Your chapter regent will provide you with the PIN that will allow you to complete the CMR. Paper forms have been eliminated. Remember the deadline for reporting is BEFORE February 1, 2016.

Please refer to the Chapter Achievement Award Committee website at www.dar.org/members/caa for detailed information on What’s New, Completing the CAA Section of the CMR, and FAQs, in addition to contact information. This website has a wealth of information to help your chapter reach its goals for the year.

Below are some tips and explanations regarding changes to the form.

Section 1 will provide all chapters that collect dues from 90 percent or more of their members (rather than collecting national dues for ALL members) with 20 points of credit, on the condition that the chapter’s dues are postmarked on or before December 1.

Section 2C will provide 10 points for a net increase in chapter membership, as we strive to both retain our existing members and welcome new women.

Section 2D will provide 10 points to chapters that post a net increase in membership of 10 percent or greater.

Sections 1, 2, 4 and 5 will be auto-filled, and your chapter’s point total will be calculated accurately.

Section 3 is NOT auto-filled. Chapters should check the appropriate boxes in Section 3 to indicate contributions of at least the minimum amount stated for each mission objective. To receive 135 points in this section, chapters must contribute the minimum amounts to all four mission objectives, and these contributions must be sent through the state treasurer to the Office of the Treasurer General.

Section 5A, concerning the Sustaining Supporter Program, has been added.

Section 5B: Please note that contributions less than minimum donation to the same fund cannot be added together to earn points. It must be a one-time minimum donation.

Section 7 has two additional subcategories under the Patriotic section. They are: DAR Outstanding Cadet Medal and DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal.

State Chairs: Conference calls will be scheduled during September as chapters may have questions as the end of the year approaches.

This chair and the national vice chairs are available to assist chapters. Working together, this committee can achieve its national goal of 100 percent chapter participation.

O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle
National Chair

Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission

Evaluate your chapter’s health annually. Consider questions such as: Does
your chapter have a full complement of tools in your DAR garden? Are monthly chapter meetings well attended? Does your chapter consistently welcome new members? Does your chapter elect different members to leadership positions each term? Do your members attend state meetings? Is your chapter active in its community? For the “no” answers—seek ideas and assistance from your state CDR Commission!

How does your DAR garden grow, and what community garden project are you planning to celebrate the National Society’s 125th Anniversary? If you still need ideas or would like to add a project, do not underestimate the impact of making a phone call to ask your members. With the varying talents of your members, consider providing different types of activities which might require indoor or outdoor venues to accommodate members’ varying needs. Provide information to members and prospective members including the location, date and time in your chapter’s newsletter, flyers, emails and announcements at chapter meetings.

Prospective member workshops need to be a consistent chapter activity. Tap into your chapter’s membership, since all are needed. Members who are friendly and welcoming are just as necessary as members who assist with research and application preparation. Of equal importance to gaining new members is retaining members and providing opportunities for all to be active within the chapter.

Each new member needs information to better understand DAR. There are options available on the CDR Commission’s website, including a one-to-one orientation, an online new members’ course and the “First 30 Days” section of the Membership Committee website.

There are so many options available to keep your DAR garden in tip-top shape. To work as a team, each of us needs a positive can-do attitude, clear verbal and written communication skills, patience, understanding, a sense of humor, and the ability to compromise. Your chapter needs trellises providing support with enthusiasm, energy and Vitamin T—teamwork. Your chapter’s garden tools should be in good working condition, ready for meetings, workshops, trainings, projects and events to keep your DAR garden lovely, blooming and thriving!

Bethe Clark-Urban
National Chair

Commemorative Events

The committee thanks all chapters who submitted narrative reports for 2014. More than 250 narratives were submitted for consideration as Outstanding Reports. Many of these received division and national recognition and were displayed during Continental Congress. A complete list of national honorees was published in the Congress Herald on Thursday, June 25, 2015.

A highlight of the 124th Continental Congress was Celebrate America Night on Friday evening, where this committee helped staff a table for the United States of America Vietnam War 50th Anniversary Commemoration. There, Daughters could speak directly to commemoration representatives and pick up instructions for becoming a commemorative partner. If your chapter has not yet registered, instructions are available online on the committee website and through your state chair. Our goal is 100 percent partnership with chapters in all 50 states. So far, eight states have met this goal. If your chapter chair has changed since becoming a commemorative partner, please update the chapter’s contact information with the commemoration.

At National Defense Night, the Director of the Vietnam War Commemoration, Major General James T. Jackson, U.S. Army (Ret.), applauded DAR’s commitment to recognizing Vietnam veterans. POW survivor Colonel Leon F. Ellis and Army nurse Captain Diane Carlson Evans, both Vietnam veterans, received the DAR Medal of Honor.

We look forward to receiving more reports this year on the commemorations of the 100th Anniversary of the National Park Service and the 125th Anniversary of the Ellis Island Immigration Station. An excellent article on the close relationship between the DAR and Ellis Island available on the Members’ section of the DAR Website will provide lots of ideas for programs. Daughters are encouraged to attend the wreath-laying ceremony on Ellis Island at 3 p.m. on October 17, 2015, as we celebrate our common anniversary.

The 250th Anniversary of the Stamp Act and the 800th Anniversary of the Signing of the Magna Carta, both observed in 2015, should be included in your chapter’s planning for 2015–2016.

Chapters are encouraged to send their success stories to the national chair to be posted on the committee website.

Diane H. Hom
National Chair

Conservation

As your chapters are now meeting after the summer break, think about whether your chapter’s plans include a conservation project for the Conservation Committee Chapter Contest.

The 2014 national winners for the Conservation Committee Chapter Contest were: first place, Captain William Penny Chapter, Chatham, Ill., for its Patriot Garden project; second place, Choctawhatchee Bay Chapter, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., for its Blackwater Patriot Pines Living Memorial project; and third place, Buena Vista Chapter, Storm Lake, Iowa, for its Pioneer Rock Replanting project. Congratulations to these winners and all the division winners for their submissions for the Chapter Contest. Keep up the good work!

Other outstanding chapter conservation projects that were reported on the 2014 Chapter Master Report included:
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- Maryland’s Fort Severn Chapter’s “Save Oyster Shells” to repopulate Chesapeake Bay oysters, and Mary Digges Lee Chapter’s work to re-establish hardwood forests on mined land in Appalachia
- Mary Vining Chapter’s planting of beach grass to prevent beach erosion in Delaware
- 1,600 trees planted in Virginia by 66 chapters
- Mariana Islands Chapter in Guam working with Guam’s Coral Reef Project
- The creation of a Wyoming DAR Forest by Fremont Chapter
- A prairie seedling project by DeShon Chapter, Boone, Iowa
- Minnesota’s Monument Chapter’s woodland restoration
- In Washington state, Esther Reed Chapter recycled bras for women in third-world countries and Robert Gray Chapter collected shoes for the Shoe Box Recycling program
- Shenandoah Valley Chapter in West Virginia collected 31,500 pounds of recycled paper and cardboard
- Texas’ Captain Jabez Deming, Old Chisholm Trail, and Fort Graham chapters, as well as California’s Santa Anita Chapter, participated in conservation education programs for children

This is just a small sampling of what DAR chapters are doing to promote conservation in their communities. I encourage your chapter to put a project in motion this year, whether for the Chapter Contest or a project needed in your area!

Gale A. Crafton
National Chair

Constitution Week

Constitution Week is observed each year from September 17–23. With the start of another school year, there is no time like the present to get involved. Contact your local schools, adopt a class, contact local politicians to request proclamations, encourage local churches to ring bells, contact the press, set up displays, and get creative. However you choose to celebrate, and no matter what your budget allows, you can’t go wrong.

If you missed Celebrate America Night at Continental Congress, don’t worry! All of the material is available in the toolbox on the Constitution Week Committee website at www.dar.org/members/constitutionweek. Many of you requested templates for bookmarks and birthday cards along with a list of fun activities you can do with classrooms and civic groups. Updated Constitution Week Minutes are also available.

Once again, to help raise awareness of Constitution Week, DAR will sponsor the Constitution Week Poster Contest, which is open to DAR members, schoolchildren and the general public. The contest is advertised by DAR members who reach out to school-age children and adults in their communities to encourage participation and submission of posters to the chapters for evaluation. This year all entries must be received by the Constitution Week state chair by January 15, 2016. The top two entries from each state will be sent to the division vice chair by February 15, 2016, and the top two entries from each division will be sent to the national chair by March 15, 2016. The winning poster will then be printed in the spring and offered for sale in The DAR Store by next summer. Congratulations to this year’s winner, Donna Marie Roberts, sponsored by Harrison Colony Chapter, Harrison, Ark.!

Thank you for all of your efforts to foster awareness of the U.S. Constitution.

Louise B. Devanny
National Chair

DAR Genealogy Preservation

Don’t delay! Join us today! The Daughters of the American Revolution is very fortunate to have many members skilled in genealogy. The Society also has members who enjoy volunteering for its various committee projects. The DAR Genealogy Preservation Committee has a wonderful project that merges genealogy and supporting our Society through volunteering.

The Supporting Documentation Project is the current focus of this committee. There are more than 6 million supporting documents that have been submitted to prove lineage or service on our applications. Prior to this project, each document was just a scanned image associated with a member’s application. This project is changing that by categorizing these documents—sourced from wills, Bibles, marriage records, military records, etc.—so that searching for specific information can be accomplished more quickly.

The project is accessed through e-Membership, where a volunteer is given a set of documents to categorize by primary and secondary categories. The results are currently available to the Genealogy Department staff and the researchers in Seimes Technology Center.

Please visit the committee site for more information, instructions, a link to a related webinar and a tips file. To join us, email darprojects@dar.org.

Linda S. Sandlin
National Chair

DAR Good Citizens

Now is the time for every chapter to contact all local high schools to provide DAR Good Citizens information and encourage participation. The DAR Good Citizens Program and Scholarship Contest recognizes and rewards high school seniors exhibiting the qualities of good citizenship. Detailed instructions and current forms can be found on the DAR Good Citizens Committee website and in the National Information Packet (NIP). DAR Good Citizens pins, certificates and recognition cards may be obtained only through your state chair. Send your orders for DAR Good Citizens pins, certificates and recognition cards to your state chair.
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DAAR Museum Outreach

With Congress over, we now turn to fall planning. As you arrange for programs for your chapter, don’t forget to look for a correspondent docent to give a program on the amazing DAR Museum. Also, consider reserving a trunk show for your chapter; call the DAR Museum Shop at (202) 879–3208 or email museumshop@dar.org for details. And as we approach the holidays, don’t forget to check out the DAR Museum Shop for gift ideas for friends and family. All proceeds support the DAR Museum.

Terry K. Maloney
National Chair

DAR Project Patriot

Do you have formalwear, prom or bridesmaid dresses cluttering your closet? A great way to help military spouses enjoy formal events is to donate them to one of our three “Cinderella’s Closet” locations. Donations of shoes, purses and other accessories are also welcomed. Please contact your DAR Project Patriot state chair to obtain the information sheet and addresses. If you are aware of a Cinderella’s Closet in your area, please contact this national chair.

Are you looking for a way to help service members who are stationed overseas, and their families? Most of us take for granted on the coupon inserts in our Sunday newspapers for granted, but those serving overseas do not have access to manufacturer’s coupons. Chapters are encouraged to participate in the overseas military coupon program. Daughters clip manufacturer’s coupons at home or before chapter meetings, then count or weigh the coupons and mail them to an overseas base of your choice in Germany, Korea, Japan, etc. To get addresses, check the website www.grocerysavingtips.com/p/military-family.html before mailing coupons. Be sure to count the number of coupons (not the value) or weigh them before mailing so you may report them accurately on the Chapter Master Report.

Jennifer S. Minus
National Chair

DAR School

The new DAR School Luncheon during Continental Congress was an educational and fun event. All of the schools were represented: Kate Duncan Smith (KDS), Tamassee, Berry, Crossnore, Hillside and Hindman. Directors and student representatives spoke to devoted Daughters about their unique institutions, historical ties to DAR, current projects, personal stories and hopes for the future. Student speakers included Erin Sutphin and Alex Prickett from KDS; Julian Collins and Claudia Culpepper from Tamassee; and Justin Boyd from Berry College. Members were impressed with the expressions of thanks given to the DAR, staff and mentors.

Traditionally, students from two schools perform for Daughters at the DAR School event. First to perform this year were accomplished bluegrass musicians Ben Scruton and Eli Kleinsmith from Hindman. The second group to perform included nine girls from the New York Cottage at Tamassee DAR School.

This year, $135,532 was distributed during the DAR School Luncheon from the Friends of DAR Schools Fund. Checks presented to each of the school administrators will fund a variety of program and maintenance requests, including scholarships, dyslexia programs and textbooks.

We are committed to continue raising funds so that we will be able to present these gifts for the children during Continental Congress each year. This chair challenges each chapter and state to have a “Give a Hoot” fundraiser benefitting the Friends of DAR Schools Fund. The challenge kicked off at the luncheon with a drawing that raised more than $5,000!

Money raised may be sent to NSDAR directly or to your state treasurer and earmarked for the Friends of DAR Schools Fund. This fund supports ALL the schools. Each school submits proposals for needs through this chair, who sends all information to the Executive Committee, which reviews and allocates the funds to support our mission at all six schools.

To purchase the “Three Wise Owls” pin, contact your state chair or The DAR
Committee Corner

The Outstanding DAR Volunteer has given more than her time. She has made meaningful contributions to veterans through creative and resourceful outreach.

Suzanne C. Earing
National Chair

The Outstanding DAR Service for Veterans Award is presented to a DAR member in recognition of outstanding care given to veterans in any of the following areas: federal VA facilities, state veterans facilities, nursing homes, veterans shelters, and outpatient clinics. The Outstanding DAR Volunteer has given more than her time. She has made meaningful contributions to veterans through creative and resourceful outreach.

Please read more about these inspirational people on Issue #5 of the Congress Herald, accessible via www.dar.org/members/congressonline.

Now is the time to think about others who do outstanding work for our veterans. Please consider nominating a veteran, a young person or a DAR member for one of these awards.

The Outstanding Veteran Volunteer Award is presented to a veteran in recognition of outstanding achievement in personal, professional and family life. Applicants must prove significant contributions of leadership, patriotism and increased public awareness of veterans’ needs. The sponsoring chapter must be in the state where the veteran lives.

The Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award is presented to a youth volunteer who is 14–21 years of age. The award is given in recognition of outstanding or unusual care given to veterans. The candidate for the award serves as a role model for peers and consistently demonstrates the qualities of leadership.

In addition, programs regarding the history of the flag and proper retirement ceremonies can be obtained from DAR Headquarters. Programs can be accessed from the website and utilized for chapter meetings. Visit www.dar.org/members/flag to learn more.

As you travel this year, consider emulating the General Daniel Newnan Chapter of Newnan, Ga. The members of this chapter participated in a Flags Across America program in 2014. Daughters traveled from Texas to Maine, from Michigan to Louisiana and points in between presenting flags to mark the graves of their ancestors, veterans both recent and past, and returning soldiers. What an inspiration for each of us!

Focus on the message of President General Edith Irwin Hobart (1929–1932). “We love the red, white and blue—love it dearly. Let us celebrate the Flag of the United States of America by promising that we will on every occasion respect it in our hearts and by our actions.”

Mary-Mac Barnett
National Chair

Genealogical Records

To receive Genealogical Records Committee credit, a chapter must submit unpublished source records to the DAR Library. On the Chapter Master Report, many chapters reported indexing for FamilySearch.org, findagrave.com, and local genealogy and historical societies. Although these are all worthwhile efforts in historic preservation, they do not qualify for Genealogical Records Committee credit and should not be reported through this committee.

There is also a distinct difference between previously unpublished source records and previously published source records. Both earn GRC credit for state awards, but only unpublished records can be part of the state GRC set. Published records, which may include cemetery records, family histories and church records, earn GRC...
credit, but they must be written or compiled by a member or members of DAR.

Members looking for a repository for a lifetime of family research have asked if the Genealogical Records Committee accepts a member’s genealogy research for GRC credit. The Genealogical Records Committee does not accept family research files; however, the DAR Library will accept miscellaneous family research for its Manuscript Collection.

Susan G. Tillman
National Chair

Insignia

Become acquainted with the Insignia Committee website at www.dar.org/members/insignia. There you will find information on the use of insignia, links to other pages pertaining to insignia, including the DAR Handbook, and an updated pin placement list. Keep in mind that the pin placement list is updated as new pins become available for sale. It is dated at the bottom so you can be sure to have the most current list.

A link to the Hamilton Jewelers website can also be found on the committee website. Resources provided there include order forms, photos of pins, requirements for each pin and contact information for Hamilton Jewelers. Be sure to click “view item” on each pin for more information.

Information is available on the committee website about proper disposal of members’ insignia and pins. Included is a sample letter regarding disposal of members’ pins, which may be shared with family members so that your final wishes are honored.

Vicky T. Zuverink
National Chair

Junior American Citizens

Students are looking forward to an exciting and productive year, and so is the JAC Committee! The JAC Contest Theme for 2015–2016 is “Celebrate America!” The possibilities for creative expression, art and community service are endless, and our young participants will have an awesome time interpreting the theme!

The goal for this year is to serve 25,000 students through JAC programs and contests! This is an easy goal to reach, considering we all know children from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Chapters are the first and most important link in the success of the JAC Committee; every chapter should have a committee and participate in JAC activities.

To begin JAC activities, reach out to local schools, scout groups, churches, C.A.R. societies, and even your own children or grandchildren. Youth-oriented organizations are looking for opportunities to work with volunteers, and DAR provides the best! Consider teaming with other student- and service-oriented committees within your chapter, such as American History, Celebrate America, Community Service Awards, DAR Good Citizens, DAR Service for Veterans or Literacy Promotion.

The JAC Committee website contains instructions, forms, certificates, membership cards, committee contact information, and materials for clubs and contests. The JAC presentation from the Education Forum at the 124th Continental Congress is available online as well. Take advantage of these resources; they will guide and enhance your chapter’s committee and club activities.

The reporting dates for the JAC Contest help to assure that chapters receive certificates and awards prior to the end of the school term. Recognizing students during school or chapter programs is wonderful for publicity and recruitment of new JAC membership. Adhere to the deadlines provided below to ensure that judging and recognition can take place in a timely manner. Chapter chairs may want to consider a late October or early November deadline.

• By January 1: Chapter chairs send first-place entries to state chairs
• By January 15: State chairs send first-place entries to division vice chairs
• By February 1: Division vice chairs send first-place entries to national vice chairs
• By February 15: National vice chairs send winning entries to national chair
• By March 1: National chair announces winners

Elizabeth E. Cagle
National Chair

Junior Membership

This committee loves seeing our chapters and states Show Their Pride for Junior Membership, and we want to see even more chapters encouraging their Juniors to be involved at the local, state and national levels. Perhaps the best way to do this is to honor a Chapter Outstanding Junior Member and present the Chapter Outstanding Junior Member pin to her at a meeting.

Last year Shannon Owen, Texas Outstanding Junior Contest State Chair, encouraged 106 Texas chapters to select and honor an Outstanding Junior Member. If you have a Junior in your chapter who contributes her time and talents, name her your Chapter Outstanding Junior Member. Perhaps the best way to do this is to honor a Chapter Outstanding Junior Member pin to her at a meeting.

At Congress in June we were able to honor 31 young ladies as State Outstanding Juniors for 2015. It is my hope that every state will have an Outstanding Junior in 2016 for our 125th Continental Congress celebration. If your chapter plans to have an Outstanding Junior participate in the 2016 state contest, please make sure that she has received the contest rules and instructions available in the National Information Packet and online.

Remember: To be eligible for the 2016 state and national contests, applicants...
must not be 36 years old or older on October 31, 2015. Applications must be postmarked on or before October 31, 2015. Failure to meet the postmark deadline will be grounds for automatic disqualification of the application. Please do not wait to have your Outstanding Junior work on her contest application, as she may need additional time to collect and organize her proof documents.

If you have any questions regarding the contest rules please contact Outstanding Junior Member Contest National Vice Chair Jamie Burchfield at jamiedurham@yahoo.com or (936) 675–1996.

With your efforts, I am excited to see how many young ladies we can recognize as Chapter and State Outstanding Junior Members this coming year.

*Cecile S. Wimberley
National Chair*

**Lineage Research**

Women who are eligible for DAR membership come from all educational, social, economic, ethnic and geographic backgrounds. It’s up to each of us to extend invitations of membership to family members, coworkers, friends and neighbors. The Lineage Research Committee is here to assist you and your prospective members in finding the documentation necessary to verify their applications.

The French Task Force already has many names of people from France, Canada, Louisiana and the Caribbean, among other places, who served in a military capacity or took an oath of allegiance to our new government. The Spanish Task Force is expanding its existing list of those who made donations, or donativos, to help fund the American cause. Spanish Task Force volunteers are working on contemporary records in California, New Mexico, Texas and Mexico, and hope to gain access to records in Puerto Rico and Cuba.

The national vice chairs of African-American Research and Native American Research have prepared short videos that can be played at large DAR gatherings or public meetings. Help spread the word that the National Society welcomes all prospective members’ interest and involvement, and that the Lineage Research Committee is here to help. Educational webinars on both topics are in the works.

Specialty research brochures on the Lineage Research Committee website at www.dar.org/members/lineageresearch can be downloaded and printed as needed. Topics include Spanish service, French service, African-American research, Native American research and Jewish research.

Lineage researchers are available at the chapter, district, state and national levels—we can help! *Jolene R. Mullen
National Chair*

**Membership**

As of Congress, DAR had 180,245 members whose dues are paid through November 30, 2015. The National Society has not had more than 180,000 members since 1996, nearly two decades ago! In 1984, our membership reached an all-time high of more than 209,000 members; the lowest count recorded in the modern era was approximately 164,000, in 2006. Since then, membership has increased by more than 10 percent. Thank you, Daughters, for this amazing achievement!

As dues collection season approaches, make an effort to retain ALL members.

Remember: Never resign a member without a letter or email of resignation. There are many reasons why some members may not have responded to dues notices. Be patient, work to reach them and let them know how important they are.

Some members may have missed the dues notification. Try to reach them any way you can. Call on the phone or visit in person. Some elderly members may have help caring for their finances, and that individual may not know when or where to send the dues.

For members going through a difficult time, DAR dues could be far from their thoughts. Sometimes a member experiencing financial difficulties may need a little extra time to get her dues to the chapter. Call her. Work with her. Maybe she can pay $10 a week to get her dues collected. Kindness and encouraging words go a long way.

When a Daughter has not paid her dues by December 1, she is considered a delinquent member. Delinquent members have until the end of February to remit their postmarked dues. Chapters have three months (December–February) to collect all dues and get them to the National Society. All too often, membership is automatically terminated if dues are not received showing a cancellation date on or before the end of February. We don’t want that to happen. Work with members to keep them engaged and excited about Today’s DAR.

To learn more about the processing of dues, please review National Bylaws-Article IV - Fees and Dues - Section 2 - (e).

Retaining existing members and adding new members will earn additional credit on the Chapter Master Report. Many chapters prove it can be done! *Zadeea G. Harris
National Chair*

**National Defense**

National Defense Committee questions and answers addressed at the Patriotism Forum held during the 124th Continental Congress included the following:

Which cadets are eligible to receive the DAR Outstanding Cadet Medal?

The DAR Outstanding Cadet Medal is the DAR award for Naval Sea Cadet Corps Cadets, Civil Air Patrol Cadets, and other exceptional cadets participating in non-ROTC, military-affiliated cadet programs.

The National Awards Board of the Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC) has
revised the official uniform policy of the NSCC to include the DAR Outstanding Cadet Medal, which may be worn on NSCC uniforms; however, no DAR ROTC medals awarded after February 28, 2014, may be worn on the NSCC uniform.

The DAR ROTC Bronze Medal is awarded to a cadet in a JROTC program.

The ROTC Gold Medal and the DAR Youth Citizenship Award programs remain unchanged.

For more detailed information about National Defense Committee medals, please see Chapter 15 of the DAR Handbook.

Where can I obtain copies of the National Defense Committee Medals Brochure?

The National Defense Committee Medals Brochure is available for downloading and printing from the committee website at www.dar.org/members/nationaldefense.

How should articles in the National Defender be used for three-minute committee reports given at regular chapter meetings?

Articles of approximately 300–480 words are appropriate for three-minute reports depending on the speed of speech. For example, in the May 2015 issue, the following articles may be read as is for three-minute reports: “CyberPatriot VII National Youth Cyber Defense Competition” (377 words); “Serving Their Adopted Country” (412 words); “OSS Escape and Evasion Map” (402 words); “Federal Aviation Administration” (245 words); and “Proud of the Flag” (394 words). When using lengthier articles from the National Defender, excerpts or summaries should be utilized with key points emphasized for committee reports.

Who may receive the DAR Challenge Coin?

The DAR Challenge Coin makes an ideal gift to present to active-duty service members, veterans, outstanding chapter members and guest speakers, or other special visitors to your chapter meetings and events.

Kathy L. Hanlon
National Chair

Patriot Records Project

Say “hello” to the new Patriot Records Project Committee! Who are we, you ask? We are a committee whose mission is to make finding and identifying Revolutionary War Patriots in hard-to-search collections easier than ever. The project will bring to life the exploits of the American Patriots who sacrificed so much.

The project begins with the indexing of the Continental Loan Books of Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and New York. The Continental Loan Books contain the names of men, women and businesses that helped to finance the War for Independence. Other collections scheduled for indexing include the South Carolina Audited Accounts, New Jersey Revolutionary War Miscellaneous Records, North Carolina Audited Records and many, many more. This project will provide an index to these valuable records. The resulting index will be made available in the Genealogical Research System.

We need your help to accomplish this project. How can you help, you ask? We have a computer, an Internet connection and the ability to read cursive. The names on each image will be indexed by two volunteers and then compared for differences. And, yes, there is a pin for the committee.

Visit the Patriot Records Project Committee website at www.dar.org/members/patriotrecordsproject. Instructions are available there, and you will also find a link to contact us to get started. Support will always be available. As these records are largely located outside of the DAR Library, hours contributed to this project should be counted toward Celebrate America! totals.

We hope you volunteer to join our team to help index these records. Visit the committee website soon. We look forward to working with you!

Danna C. Koelling
National Chair

President General’s Project

During the Young Administration, the goals of the President General’s Project are: to restore and improve the NSDAR complex of historic buildings; promote membership; advance NSDAR’s technological capabilities in support of history, education and patriotism; enhance awareness of the DAR and our valuable assets; and fund community grants for historic preservation, education and patriotism.

One of the notable achievements of Mrs. Young’s Project is the installation of a solar energy array on the roof of Constitution Hall. This array provides an opportunity to reduce the National Society’s electric energy costs by $1 million over the next 25 to 30 years, while benefiting the environment at the same time. This project was awarded the APS Commercial Project of the Year for 2014 for bringing solar energy to this National Historic Landmark building.

The replacement of the antiquated heating and cooling systems at DAR Headquarters results in better comfort for members, guests and staff, and it also contributes to the preservation of our facilities and the artifacts they contain.

The expanded Internet bandwidth at DAR Headquarters was challenged recently without any technical setbacks when “Who Do You Think You Are?” filmed an episode featuring actor Bill Paxton at DAR Headquarters. The upgraded network easily handled the significantly higher than usual traffic to our website, unlike the first time our Society was featured on this program.
The work of the President General’s Project is evident in the attractive and unified redesign of the DAR website, the Members’ section, the Genealogical Research System and e-Membership. The expanded Internet bandwidth has also made it possible for DAR members to access 118 years’ worth of DAR Magazine publications online via the Digital Magazine Archive.

The President General’s Project also includes the digitization of the NSDAR Archives. The digitization of the audio/visual collection is almost complete. The results will be shared with the membership through the website and social media.

The President General’s Project in the Young Administration has continued the Special Projects Grants program established by the Wright Administration. A portion of every dollar donated to the President General’s Project helps fund these grants.

The next major project of the Young Administration is Phase I of the Constitution Hall restoration and renovation, which will be funded primarily from the President General’s Project.

We are very grateful for your support.

Pamela S. Marshall
National Chair

**Protocol**

The National Parliamentarian has suggested a clarification of the Protocol Committee article printed in the March/April issue of Daughters newsletter, concerning the privileges of the title of Honorary. The article was intended to explain how the title of Honorary is bestowed and the voting privileges for such Honaries at Continental Congress and at state conferences. Once a person is elected Honorary President General or Honorary State Regent, the National Bylaws or the State Bylaws shall dictate whether that person has the privilege of a vote at any official meetings.

It is recognized that an organization’s bylaws give needed directives, and Robert’s

**Rules of Order Newly Revised** addresses situations which may not be covered in the bylaws.

In the March/April Protocol article, this chair inadvertently used the terms “automatically” and “automatic” in referring to the voting privileges of an Honorary President General and an Honorary State Regent. The vote of an Honorary President General at Continental Congress is directed by the National Bylaws in Article VIII, Section 2(a), which states: “The voting members at the Continental Congress or at any special meeting of the National Society shall be: (a) the officers and the honorary officers of the National Society.” An Honorary State Regent may have a vote at her state conference if such a vote is directed in the State Bylaws.

This chair did not mean to overstep into the realm of parliamentary law or to minimize the importance of referring to the bylaws. It is important to reiterate that directives included in chapter, state and national bylaws need to be the primary reference on basic procedure.

Laura M. Reid
National Chair

**Special Projects Grants**

Through Special Projects Grants funding, DAR supports a wide range of community projects all across the country, and even overseas. Historic preservation grants help to restore historic homes and cemeteries; literacy programs and museum exhibits advance educational efforts. And patriotism grants financially aid projects which honor our country and our nation’s service members with monuments and support veterans’ programs.

The President General’s Project has awarded approximately $505,000 in grant funding during the first two years of the Young Administration. DAR members are so generous with their time, but sometimes community projects need more than just an extra hand—they need extra funding. We are proud that through generous member donations, we’re able to award these deserving projects the funding they need to help better serve their communities.

This year, nonprofits, DAR chapters and state societies in 24 states participated by submitting 208 grant applications. Forty-three were awarded grants totaling slightly more than $247,000. Twenty-three historic preservation grants totaled more than $156,000; 12 grants equaling more than $54,000 were awarded in the education mission area; and 8 patriotism grants totaled more than $37,000.

These grantees representing sponsorship or direct application by chapters or state organizations included projects in AL, AZ, CA (4), CT, FL, GA, IL, IN (2), LA, MA (2), MD (2), NC (4), NJ (2), NM, NY (4), OH, OK, PA (3), SC, SD, TN (2), TX, VA (4) and WV. A list of awardees is available on the DAR Website.

Your chapter, through sponsorship of a grant proposal, has the opportunity to create local awareness of DAR and its mission areas; generate visibility for your chapter and a reputation for involvement in your community; and attract local women to membership. Chapters may sponsor an unlimited number of applications during a single year.

For further information, guidance and requirements, and a photo slideshow of grant projects, direct local nonprofit entities to www.dar.org/grants.

Dianne B. Janis
National Chair

**Volunteer Genealogists**

It has been said there are three types of workers: those who get things done, those who watch things get done, and those who wonder how so much got done. Volunteer Genealogists get things done!

You might picture a Volunteer Genealogist working alone at her computer, but in reality we are a part of a much larger team effort and we are out there working
at the grassroots chapter level. We continually try to provide the most up-to-date information for our committee using the best tools available to assure accurately prepared applications and supplemental applications.

Some of the newest information for Volunteer Genealogists includes the webinar, “Communicate, Coordinate, Conquer, Continue,” which can be found on the DAR Leadership Training Committee website at www.dar.org/members/leadershiptraining. The PowerPoint presentation “DAR Application Basics” has been updated and is available from your Lineage Research and Volunteer Genealogists state committee chairs. DAR Genealogy Guidelines is available for free on the Members’ section of the DAR Website. This searchable resource may be downloaded and/or printed for future reference.

Working as a chapter team is not only more fun, but it is also better for a chapter. If your chapter does not have an assigned Volunteer Genealogist, you may request someone through your Volunteer Genealogists state chair or the Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission (CRDC) state chair. When assigned to a chapter other than their own, DAR-trained Volunteer Genealogists who have completed the Genealogy Education Program through course GEP2 may receive image access for a period of six months. The “Assignment of a DAR-Trained Genealogist to a Chapter” form, found on the Volunteer Genealogists Committee website under Forms, must be signed by the State Regent, CRDC state chair, chapter regent and assigned Volunteer Genealogist, then sent to the national chair. If you are a DAR-trained Volunteer Genealogist and you wish to be assigned to a chapter, please contact your Volunteer Genealogists Committee state chair and the CRDC state chair.

Whether you have a large growing chapter or a small chapter in need of recharging, DAR-trained Volunteer Genealogists can help you get things done!

**Women’s Issues**

*Celebrating the Spirit of America’s Women*

September is National Yoga Awareness Month, and September 30 is National Women’s Health and Fitness Day. Consider including a two-minute stretch geared toward various fitness levels in your meeting agenda. There is a sun salutation cheat sheet available at www.yogahealer.com/sun-salutations-cheat-sheet that may be used as a guide.

September 7–13 is National Suicide Prevention Week. Women are twice as likely as men to suffer from depression, panic disorder, generalized anxiety, specific phobias and posttraumatic stress disorder. Although men die from suicide at four times the rate women do, women attempt suicide two to three times more often.

October 4–10 is Mental Illness Awareness Week, and October 8 is National Depression Screening Day. With respect to mental illness and depression, women exhibit different symptoms than men. Biological influences such as hormonal fluctuations have both positive and negative effects on women’s mental health. Sociocultural influences continue to present challenges, which may contribute to not only depression, but also to eating disorders. Eighty-five percent of all anorexia and bulimia cases and 65 percent of binge-eating cases occur in women.

Women report mental health concerns to their primary care providers more frequently than men do, and health care providers are more prone to diagnose women with depression and to treat them with mood-altering medications. Mental Health America offers quick and easy screening tests at www.mentalhealthamerica.net/mental-health-screening-tools.

October 19–23 is National Health Education Week. Start a conversation about health and wellness with fellow Daughters and other women in your life. As always, please speak to your healthcare provider about any health concerns you have.

One top 2015 Women’s Issues Essay Contest entry by Judy Tucker Goetz—titled “DAR: A Support Group”—explored the love, partnership and resources Ms. Goetz received from her chapter to help her get through a difficult time. Consider how your chapter can become a support group. Send cards to the sick and visit them, provide care packages and transportation, attend funerals and, most important, be a listener.

Continue to present monthly Women’s Issues Moments and newsletter postings.

**Health**

Need to check your Heritage Club levels or make adjustments to your giving profile? Contact the Office of Development at (800) 449-1776 or development@dar.org for more information.
Chapter Anniversaries

Bellefonte Chapter, Bellefonte, Pa., celebrated its 120th anniversary at the Oaks in Pleasant Gap, Pa., on May 16, 2015. Organized on October 10, 1895, with 16 charter members led by Organizing Regent

Carolyn Watson Chamberlin Furst, the chapter name was derived from the famous spring that still supplies the town so bountifully with the purest water. According to the chapter’s history journals, monthly meetings were held at members’ homes, for the primary purposes of encouraging the study of history and inspiring a greater spirit of patriotism and love of country.

From its very beginnings, the chapter had a generous and giving spirit. The minute books are filled with detailed accountings of annual donations to local soldier relief funds, veterans’ organizations, orphans and widows, and the Bellefonte hospital fund, and of raising monies to support the building of Memorial Continental Hall in Washington, D.C. Closer to home, the chapter erected monuments in Bellefonte and throughout Centre County to remember and honor our American Patriots who sacrificed their lives and fortunes. In 1898, the chapter erected one of its first historical monuments, a marker at the location of the Old Indian Fort, which in 1777 was known as Potter’s Fort in Penns Valley.

Members of Charlotte Reeves Robertson Chapter, Springfield, Tenn., gathered on May 14, 2015, at Burdett’s Tea Shop on the town square to enjoy a delicious evening meal and to take a look back at 88 years of history gleaned from chapter archives, beginning when the chapter was formed in 1927.

The ladies in attendance were asked to dress in the style of any decade from the 1920s to present day for a program written and produced by Junior chapter members Marissa Lemley Brown and Rebekah Lemley and titled “DAR Across the Decades.” Accompanied by popular musical selections of various eras, the program provided a brief timeline of events occurring in American history, as well as a description of what was simultaneously happening in the Charlotte Reeves Robertson Chapter. Program participants in the audience contributed speaking parts taken verbatim from period chapter minutes. The program was dedicated to the women who worked to make Charlotte Reeves Robertson Chapter the DAR sisterhood it is today.

Ebenezer Fletcher Chapter, Midwest City, Okla., celebrated its 50th anniversary on May 12, 2015. The chapter recognized the service and friendship of four members who passed in 2014–2015—Linda Carter, Reatha Schlegel, Dava Woodard Sanders and Merline Hanks—by giving a bouquet of flowers to their family members. Past

Chapter Regent Pam Tarling, assisted by Chapter Chaplain Linda Harris and Chapter Corresponding Secretary Virginia Jimenez, recounted the departed members’ outstanding personal lives and service rendered to the chapter.

Ginger DiFalco announced that her daughters will become fourth-generation members of the chapter in the fall. Scrapbooks from the 1960s were on display for members to review. Highlights of the evening included dinner, the anniversary cake and Capital District Director LaNell Shores’ presentation on the Scots-Irish. The evening concluded with Chapter Regent Dr. Mary Meritt challenging members to support the ongoing goals to support veterans, the DAR schools, conservation enlightenment, membership recruitment and retention, recycling, scholarships,
Wreaths Across America, the ROTC, the Armed Forces Parade, C.A.R., and essay contests in schools for the next 50 years. Everyone left with a gift commemorating the chapter’s commitment to fostering true patriotism and love of country.

**Jeptha Abbott Chapter**, Ardmore, Pa., held its spring luncheon and fashion show on April 7, 2015, at the Overbrook Golf Club in Bryn Mawr, Pa. The chapter, with 197 members, celebrated its 85th year. The eagerly awaited spring event, held annually, was attended by chapter members, state officers, prospective members and guests. The chapter had earlier held its Patriot Holiday Ball, an annual black tie event, at the chapter’s 40th year with a brunch held at St. John’s Lutheran Church. To celebrate this anniversary, as well as the 125th Anniversary of DAR, the chapter donated a book about the Revolutionary War to the Garfield County Library. Members also donated 25 Bibles to the state DAR Bible drive in support of the Omaha, Lincoln and Grand Island VA.

At the celebration, chapter members had a great time remembering their favorite chapter projects. A memorial service was held to honor all past chapter members. The group then enjoyed a video about the 125th year of DAR, as well as a video about the history of the DAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

**Loup Trail Chapter** organized on April 9, 1975, with 25 members led by Organizing Regent Lorajane Bolli. The name Loup Trail was chosen as it represents the towns along the Loup River in which many chapter members live. Old maps show American Indian and trapper trails along the Loup, preceding the roads built by settlers. The word “loup” is French in origin and means “wolf.”

**Mary Chilton Chapter**, Sioux Falls, S.D., held its centennial celebration on June 17, 2015, exactly 100 years after its organization in 1915. A dinner held at the Old Courthouse Museum was attended by chapter members and distinguished guests from the S.A.R. and the Mayflower Society. Members of board of the Mary Chilton Foundation, which provides grants for South Dakota projects related to the mission and ideals of the DAR, also attended. South Dakota State Regent Lavonne Anderson brought greetings. A letter conveying congratulations from President General Lynn Forney Young was read. Each table featured a centerpiece of member memorabilia. Champagne and cake were served. Each attendee received a commemorative glass.

Surrounding the courtroom were many display tables providing biographies of the charter members. Other displays offered the successes, accomplishments and scrapbooks of the chapter, the Mary Chilton Foundation, benefactor Dorothy Day Davenport and the Caleb Cushing C.A.R. Society. Past Chapter Regent Joan Klock, Chapter Regent Diane Josephson, Judy Goetz, Molly Uden, Kim Euker, Bernie Johnson and Stephanie Loeffler planned the event.

**Mary Chilton Chapter’s motto** “Virtue, not ancestry, makes one noble” has continued to serve the chapter, and members look forward to the next 100 years of service in celebration of God, Home and Country.

**Mary Isham Keith Chapter**, Fort Worth, Texas, celebrated 116 years of service to God, Home and Country under the leadership of Chapter Regent Judith Carrier. Programs emphasized historic preservation as well as commemoration and remembrance of military and civilian wartime efforts and sacrifices. At Texas District II's
commemorative luncheon honoring the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War, 62 Vietnam veterans were honored.

Patriotic activities included presenting U.S. flags at naturalization ceremonies at the U.S. District Court in Fort Worth, sponsoring a Flag Day ceremony and assisting with placement of U.S. flags at veterans’ graves at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery on Memorial Day. Members donated items for veterans at Patriot House, treats for the USO at the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport and care packages for active-duty military personnel. Outstanding youth were recognized with presentations of ROTC medals and DAR Youth Citizenship awards.

In continued commitment to education, the chapter awarded two college scholarships. The Women in American History Recognition Award was presented to Dr. Carrier for outstanding contributions to education, and Paula Smith received the Chapter Regent’s Award for outstanding service.

Incoming Chapter Regent Virginia Gunter Brown and the chapter’s 300-plus members look forward with continued dedication to Honoring Our Heritage, Focusing on the Future, and Celebrating America!

**Stoney Creek Chapter**, Rochester, Mich., celebrated its 115th anniversary with a luncheon at Great Oaks Country Club on March 7, 2015. The chapter, organized on February 17, 1900, currently has 140 members.

The theme of the luncheon was celebrating the 125th Anniversary of the National Society and the 115th anniversary of Stoney Creek Chapter. Chapter Regent Kelly VanWormer presented a program titled “Carrying on the Tradition,” which provided information about the National Society and the chapter, including the chapter’s Real Daughter. Antique salt cellars were given to each attendee as a gift from the late Reverend Patricia VanWormer. Luncheon attendees included Michigan State Vice Regent Diane Shrift and past Chapter Regents Carolee Chrisman, Barbara Allison and Twila Helferich. Several regents from surrounding chapters were also present.

Throughout the years, the chapter has marked Revolutionary-era graves in the surrounding area. Daughters provide support to the local community via annual educational scholarships and recognition awards. Donations to veterans and the DAR Schools are provided, in addition to the conservation of a few samplers and a quilt through the DAR Museum’s Adopt-an-Object program. The chapter proudly acknowledged American Heritage Contest-winning chapter members.

**Stoney Creek Chapter officers**, left to right: B.J. Leman, Judy Quinn, Barbara Allison, Chapter Regent Kelly VanWormer, Debbie Blaske, Debra Dunn and Aubin Whitmer

**Toll Gate Creek Chapter**

First Vice President General Ann Dillon, who was the chapter’s organizing regent, attended the festivities along with Colorado State Society officers, chapter members and guests.

Prior to lunch, the Rangeview High School String Ensemble entertained guests as they perused the many silent auction items. Proceeds from the auction will help fund the placement of historical markers at a local farm along Toll Gate Creek. The name of the creek was selected as the chapter name because of its proximately to the Smoky Hill Trail, a prime artery for high plains trade and travel during the 1860s.

Following the lunch, attendees enjoyed a presentation by the director of Fairmont Cemetery, one of the oldest cemeteries in the city of Denver. The program discussed the Heritage Roses that were brought to the high plains of Colorado more than 100 years ago and are still thriving today in the cemetery. Like roses in the prairie, Toll Gate Creek Chapter Daughters will continue to grow their chapter and serve the community.

**Toll Gate Creek Chapter members and guests at the 25th anniversary garden party**

**Vieux Carre Chapter**, Metairie, La., assisted the New Orleans Area Habitat for Humanity and AmeriCorps with the Rebuilding America St. Build-A-Thon. Ten homes were built in 10 days for partner families as the 10-year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina approached. On May 30, 2015, the 10 homes were dedicated and the owners were presented with the keys.
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Vieux Carre Chapter members presented the owners with flags for their homes as well as U.S. Flag Code pamphlets. Daughters also assisted with serving meals and hosting an evening event. Vieux Carre Chapter donated 30 flags and kits, 514 hand flags and one pole flag. This was a fitting way to Celebrate America, Memorial Day, the 125th Anniversary of DAR and the 60th anniversary of Vieux Carre Chapter.

Anoka Chapter, Anoka, Minn., honored Sandra Rae Nutting Johnson’s 50 years of DAR membership in a ceremony held June 9, 2015. Honorary Minnesota State Regent and Membership Committee Chapter Chair Lynne Yarbrough presented Mrs. Johnson with a 50-year pin and certificate. The chapter celebrated with a cake and other light refreshments.

Anoka Chapter

Left to right: Betty Ernewein, Katie Chamberlain, Chapter Regent Carolyn Morris, Aileen Alfortish, Lea Martin, Lisa Rollins and Martha Bauman

Chapter News and Events

Anesthesiologist, Jeffersonville, Ind., held a joint meeting with General Charles Scott Chapter, Scottsburg, Ind., to celebrate the life of the DAR’s first President General, Caroline Scott Harrison. Elaine Sholty, who portrays Caroline Scott Harrison as a volunteer at the Benjamin Harrison House in Indianapolis, came to the meeting in costume to tell Daughters about the life of Mrs. Harrison.

Mrs. Sholty, who greeted attendees as they arrived and introduced herself in character, began by reciting the speech Mrs. Harrison gave on February 22, 1892, to welcome the delegates to Continental Congress. It was the first speech given in public by a first lady. Mrs. Sholty recounted Mrs. Harrison’s life from birth to death. After her death and funeral in the East Room of the White House, she was buried in the Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis, where President Benjamin Harrison rests alongside her.

Anesthesiologist

Left to right: Chapter Regent Anne Smith, Susan Jirele, Sonja Lynn, Margery Anderson, Susan Hynes, Joellen Finch and State Chaplain Genette Carleton

Anthony Wayne Chapter was organized to raise funds to rebuild and return the Boy in Blue to Mankato’s Historic Lincoln Park during the Sesqui-centennial of the Civil War, commemorated from 2011–2015. Anthony Wayne Chapter members supported the fundraising events, and members Genette Carleton and Susan Hynes served on the committee for four years.

On May 30, 2015, Anthony Wayne Chapter, Mankato, Minn., participated in the dedication of the Boy in Blue statue in Mankato’s Lincoln Park. The chapter marched in the parade, and during the dedication ceremony members placed flowers in the fountain as the song “Cover Them Over With Beautiful Flowers” was sung.

The original statue was erected in 1892 by the Women’s Relief Corp, Grand Army of the Republic. The Civil War memorial, which became known as the Boy in Blue, fell into disrepair, and by 1927 it had been completely removed from Lincoln Park. In 2011 a community committee

Historical interpreter Elaine Sholty, seated at center, portrayed Caroline Scott Harrison at a joint meeting of Ann Rogers Clark and General Charles Scott chapters.

Ann Rogers Clark Chapter

On May 30, 2015, Anthony Wayne Chapter

Left to right: Chapter Regent Anne Smith, Susan Jirele, Sonja Lynn, Margery Anderson, Susan Hynes, Joellen Finch and State Chaplain Genette Carleton

Anesthesiologist

Left to right: Betty Ernewein, Katie Chamberlain, Chapter Regent Carolyn Morris, Aileen Alfortish, Lea Martin, Lisa Rollins and Martha Bauman

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Of the quilters’ group, coordinated the selection of the quilt. Atagi Chapter plans to continue presenting quilts to local veterans as a sign of gratitude for their service.

Mary Ann Claxton, National Defense Committee co-chair for Bakersfield Chapter, Bakersfield, Calif., presented an opportunity for chapter members to help create a quilt for Quilts of Valor, a national nonprofit organization whose mission is to cover all military men and women. These quilts are sewn by volunteers who complete the different steps involved in making a quilt. Through this project, Daughters have an opportunity to give back to a serviceman or woman from Kern County.

At the beginning of the meeting year, chapter members took home a kit of precut fabric, which they stitched together to create beautiful patterns. When the squares were finished, Mrs. Claxton sewed the pieces together to create the quilt top. Volunteers from other organizations did the finishing work. The chapter’s quilt will be presented to a veteran at the chapter’s joint DAR/S.A.R. Christmas luncheon in December.

At the April 28, 2015, meeting of Bermuda Hundred Chapter, Chester, Va., members gathered to dedicate a pink dogwood tree to the memory of two members—Ruth Wootton Fraker and Dorothy Toon Edwards. The tree was planted on the grounds of the Bon Air Christian Church, where chapter meetings are held. These two ladies were longtime members of both the church and Bermuda Hundred Chapter.

Dottie Lefoy gave a tribute to Dorothy Edwards, which included a Valentine poem she had written in her honor. Barbara Owens paid tribute to Ruth Fraker by highlighting the many activities she had spearheaded for Bermuda Hundred Chapter and VADAR during her 41 years as a member. Mrs. Owens presented the insignia of the National Society and outlined the meaning of each part. Janet Lenhart sang two solos with Betsy Brandt accompanying her on the harp. These ladies were treasured members of Bermuda Hundred Chapter.

State Treasurer. Biloxi Chapter continues to award the Andrea Yeager Scholarship to a qualified candidate at Biloxi High School. Several members attended the Summer District Workshop on July 31, 2015, in Hattiesburg, Miss. New Chapter Regent Rosina LePre is busy planning the next year’s activities along with chapter members.

Each December, Biloxi Chapter holds its much-anticipated Christmas coffee at the Brick House, a local landmark built on property acquired by Jean Baptiste Carquoute from the Spanish government via a 1784 land grant. The stout brick construction allowed the structure to survive through 150 years of hurricanes and storm surges. The house is one of the oldest buildings in Biloxi.

Chapter members also plan to continue laying wreaths on veterans’ graves in Biloxi National Cemetery and collecting items for the Blind Unit at the local veterans hospital. Daughters are also beginning a campaign to mark chapter members’ graves.

The theme “Honoring Our Veterans, Inspiring Our Students, Celebrating Our New Citizens” has guided
Blue Ridge Chapter, Lynchburg, Va. This year members worked tirelessly on many projects, including sponsorship of DAR Good Citizens and youth citizenship participants in area schools and fifth-grade American History Essay Contest entrant Claire Thornton, winner at the chapter and district levels. The chapter also presented a Conservation Award to John Harrison for his work to control erosion and nutrient pollution in Virginia and on his Appomattox County farm. Daughters traveled to Crossnore and Tamassee schools to deliver donations, planted 34 trees, made donations to the DAR Museum and Library, participated in patriotic celebrations including Wreaths Across America, promoted outreach to American Indians, and spent many hours volunteering in the community.

With Poplar Forest Foundation, the chapter co-hosted its first naturalization ceremony at Thomas Jefferson’s summer home, Poplar Forest. Thirty immigrant petitioners became new American citizens on April 13, 2015, in a ceremony presided over by Judge Norman K. Moon. Mr. Jefferson himself, portrayed by Bill Barker, took part as the group celebrated this Founding Father’s birthday. Afterward, lunch was served to participants and guests. The chapter plans to host another naturalization ceremony September 17, 2015.

On May 8, 2015, Caloosahatchee Chapter, Fort Myers, Fla., was honored to present the DAR Medal of Honor to General James Lee Dozier, U.S. Army (Ret.). This most prestigious honor awarded by the DAR is well deserved by Dozier for his patriotism, trustworthiness and service to his country.

Born in Arcadia, Fla., Dozier graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He served for 35 years with the Army in the United States, Europe and Asia. While on active duty he was awarded the Silver Star for heroism and the Purple Heart for wounds received in combat in Vietnam. Dozier, who was kidnapped by Red Brigades terrorists in Italy in 1981, serves as an anti-terrorism consultant for government and private agencies.

Americanism Committee Chapter Chair Pamela Zapf presented the medal, approval for which she was instrumental in securing. She had kept the award a well-guarded secret, so that the presentation took Dozier by surprise. Chapter Regent Sandra Lemkin helped with planning, and Sharlene Dozier, the general’s wife, assisted with facts, dates and secret keeping.

Captain Molly Corbin Chapter, Grapevine, Texas, found a unique way to thank veterans on Valentine’s Day. The chapter held a Pinterest party and let members’ creativity take over. Twenty-five Daughters created cards, specially decorated boxes and gift bags for veterans at the Dallas Veterans Medical Center. Chapter members invited card-making friends as well as some members of Benjamin Lyon Chapter, Denton, Texas, for a fun evening. Members stamped designs on handmade cards, wrote notes thanking veterans for their service and turned recycled greeting cards into small boxes that were also filled and tied with colorful ribbons. Daughters customized ordinary gift bags using stamps, hearts, ribbons and punched designs. Every box or bag was totally unique and filled with candies, soaps, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste and more. The results of the project amounted to 157 decorated and filled bags, two dozen 3-inch boxes filled with goodies, 172 handmade cards and new DAR friends. When the gifts were delivered to the veterans’ hospital, the volunteer who received them had to make two trips with a cart to get everything inside the building. The chapter was proud to ensure that local Dallas-area hospitalized veterans were remembered on Valentine’s Day.

The program for the June 6, 2015, meeting of Caroline Scott Harrison Chapter, Indianapolis, Ind., Chapter Regent Elizabeth Gruber presiding, remembered and recognized men and women with military service during the Korean War. Honorary Chapter Regent Brigitte Caioto served as pianist, playing a patriotic medley of service branch songs. DAR Service for Veterans Committee members circulated through the crowd, shaking hands with the audience.
veterans’ hands and thanking them for their service. Blue Star and Gold Star families were honored.

Keynote speaker Tine Martin, national director and Indiana commander of the Korean War Veterans Association, provided a firsthand account of service during the Korean War. Veterans who served in Korea and Vietnam received personalized DAR certificates of thanks for their service, presented by DAR Service for Veterans Committee Chapter Chair Elaine Sholty. DAR Project Patriot Committee Chair Janet Shelton prepared a table honoring POWs and MIAs, and read the Missing Man remembrance poem.

Chapter has now installed a marker that will be impossible to remove.

The chapter was honored to have Washington State Regent Carol Jean Gaffney, State Second Vice Regent Alice Stenstrom, Washington State Regent Kate Hull Pease, State Corresponding Secretary Katherine Gaffney and Honorary State Regent Kate Hull Pease in attendance. Members from several neighboring DAR chapters attended the event, including Washington Daughters from Governor Isaac Stevens, Ann Washington and Cascade chapters, and also members of New Caledonia Chapter, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

The marker resides in Cornwall Park, which was named after Pierre Barlow Cornwall (1821–1904) president of the Bellingham Bay and British Columbia Railway and the Black Diamond Coal Mining Company. He was identified with the establishment of the public library in New Whatcom in 1890, and later contributed funds for the development of Bellingham.

Deborah Avery Putnam Chapter, Plainfield, Conn., received an award from the Plainfield Historical Society for its preservation and conservation work on the local Hammett Cemetery. Chapter members and their families cut brush, removed trees, eliminated poison ivy, raked and cleaned up the cemetery, which was badly overgrown. The stones were professionally repaired—some had toppled over, others were broken and still others were buried under debris.

Among those buried in this cemetery are Patriots from the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812 and the Civil War. Deborah Avery Putnam Chapter is researching burial records and other vital records to determine relationships between family members to further the understanding of genealogy and town history.

The chapter is also in the process of having the stone wall rebuilt, an effort to which members have contributed many hours. To cover costs for what Daughters physically could not do, the chapter held yard sales, sold candles and hosted a wine tasting event, and sought donations from local businesses. The chapter will continue to oversee the care of the cemetery. Members will clear winter debris and keep the cemetery in good condition.

In May, the members of Dolley Madison Chapter, Washington, D.C., visited Montpelier, James and Dolley Madison’s home in Orange, Va., to celebrate Dolley’s birthday. Following an alfresco picnic, attendees were given a special tour featuring the Women of Montpelier, arranged by 50-year chapter member May Day Taylor. Daughters and family members came from as far away as North Carolina for this special event.

After the tour, a beautiful wreath of white roses—said to be Dolley’s favorite
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scent—was placed upon her grave in the family cemetery by Chapter Regent Jessie Ulvedal.

On April 21, 2015, Eliza Lucas Pinckney Chapter, Charleston, S.C., hosted a Sip and See in the courtyard of the Charleston Museum. The fundraiser benefited the restoration of a dress that belonged to Eliza Lucas Pinckney and is now owned by the museum. Pinckney is believed to have worn the salmon-colored, French-style sack-back gown when she was presented at King George’s court prior to the Revolution. As no portraits of Eliza Lucas Pinckney survived the Revolution, the dress serves as an embodiment of Pinckney’s style.

Historic Preservation Committee Chair Jill Templeton organized the wonderful event, which included delicious appetizers, drinks and gorgeous flower arrangements. Chapter members served as setup crew and acted as hostesses. Local artist Leigh Magar displayed her handmade indigo-dyed quilt adorned with her interpretation of Pinckney’s silhouette. Pinckney was known for developing indigo into a major revenue crop for the Colonies.

Eliza Lucas Pinckney Chapter continued its efforts to raise the necessary funds for the restoration and preservation of this important piece of American history.

On May 2, 2015, Elizabeth Ramsey Chapter, Wheatland, Wyo., had the honor of dedicating and unveiling a new marker on the Oregon/California/Mormon Trail just outside Glendo, Wyo., and participating in the reinterment of three pioneers originally buried there. The sign marks Alder Clump, an area on the trail that is often mentioned in trail diaries. It is also the site of a pioneer cemetery.

Between 1974 and 2005, the remains of three pioneers were inadvertently exposed by rains and road grading. These remains were excavated by the University of Wyoming and kept to be studied. The Platte County Historical Society approached the landowner about erecting a marker memorializing the location of the cemetery. An invitation was extended to the chapter to help fund the project and participate in the placement.

At the unveiling, Honorary Wyoming State Regent Darla Teter presented a brief history of NSDAR and the trail markers. The sign was then unveiled by Chapter Regent Kathy Price and Diane Nein. The event was attended by approximately 150 people, including State Vice Regent Donna Weaver and members from the Cheyenne and Laramie chapters.

For the past 21 years, Pennsylvania’s South Eastern District chapter regents have gathered on Memorial Day at the Tomb of the Unknown Revolutionary War Soldier at Washington Square in Philadelphia to honor those who “gave the last full measure of devotion,” to quote President Abraham Lincoln’s phrase from The Gettysburg Address. Flag House Chapter, Philadelphia, Pa., has been honored to be part of these ceremonies since their inception.

This year, participants included Chester County, Jeptha Abbott, Landowne, Robert Morris-Quaker City, Valley Forge and William Penn DAR chapters, along with Philadelphia-Continental S.A.R. Chapter, John Morton C.A.R. Society, the New Jersey Mayflower Society, the Flag Day Association, the National Constitution Center, Buglers Across America and Independence National Historical Park.

Following a colorful processional and welcome from South Eastern District Director Christyn Olmstead, Independence National Historical Park Superintendent Cynthia MacLeod presented greetings. Remarks from keynote speaker Pennsylvania State Regent Roberta P. McMullen...
were followed by greetings from Pennsylvania S.A.R. President Joseph B. McMullen, who is also her husband. Mrs. McMullen laid a wreath of fresh flowers at the tomb as current and past regents assembled for the bugler’s mournful playing of taps and a solemn recessional.

Franklin County Chapter, Chambersburg, Pa., honored Corporal Paul Richard “Smitty” Smith Jr. of the U.S. Marine Corps by sponsoring one of 81 banners flown in Waynesboro, Pa., during the week of Memorial Day. Smith was born in 1946 and killed in action in Quang Nam, Vietnam, in 1967 while assigned as a battalion resupply noncommissioned officer. He was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal posthumously. On May 16, 2015, chapter members met beneath the banner honoring Smith.

The cannon boomed, the bagpipes wailed and the muskets roared as Fort Prince George Chapter, Pickens, S.C., hosted the dedication of a tombstone for Revolutionary War soldier Benjamin Barton in the small cemetery at Mountain Grove Baptist Church. JROTC cadets presented the colors while more than 70 friends and family members waited in hushed silence. Chapter member Una Welborn, whose husband is a direct descendant of Benjamin Barton, also ordered a tombstone for Dorcas Anderson, Barton’s wife. The Bartons were married for 35 years and had 14 children.

The entire community came together to celebrate the event. Roger Kilpatrick played “Amazing Grace” on the bagpipes. The S.A.R. gave a musket salute in colonial attire. The Pickens Historical Society draped the tombstone with a black cloth and placed a flag across the grave. South Carolina State Regent Dorothy Lind laid a wreath along with Fort Prince George Chapter Regent Anne Kilpatrick and several others.

WYFF Channel 4 News (NBC) covered the event on the 6 o’clock news. The television broadcast is available for viewing on the Fort Prince George DAR Facebook page.

General James Jackson Chapter, Valdosta, Ga., is proud of three chapter members who won honors in the 2015 American Heritage Contest. Patsy Hickox, Zella Fuller and Jane Knight all won first place in the Georgia state contest and also placed in the national contest. Mrs. Hickox’s soft pastel of Berrien County Courthouse won third place nationally in the Arts category. Mrs. Fuller’s entry My Album Quilt won second place nationally in the hand-quilted wall hanging category.

Mrs. Knight’s DAR Rose Medallion, which won first place in the national hand-quilted quilts category, was displayed at DAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C., during the 124th Continental Congress in June 2015.

“It was great to have one member of the chapter win on the national level as we did last year, but to have three members from the same chapter to win places in national in one year is fantastic!” said Chapter Regent Jerry West.

With two chapter members having connections to quilts on display, General Levin Winder Chapter, Pocomoke City, Md., organized a bus trip on April 21, 2015, to the DAR Museum to view the exhibition “Eye on Elegance: Early Quilts of Maryland and Virginia.” A classic Baltimore Album quilt assembled around 1850 by Ruth Pettit Penn for her son Thomas Pettit Penn was donated to the Museum by the family of chapter member Jane Disharoon Bunting. Thomas Pettit Penn was Bunting’s maternal grandmother’s father, and it was through this side of the family that she became a member of DAR. Catherine “Caty” Parker

Members of General Levin Winder Chapter at the Founders Memorial Monument after their visit to the DAR Museum
Custis, the sixth-great-grandmother of chapter member Elizabeth Simpson Mills, stitched the circa-1810 appliqué “Tree of Life” quilt in Accomack County, Va. Both designs are featured on items in the DAR Museum Shop, where members enjoyed a shopping spree following the tour.

Heroes of Kings Mountain Chapter, Guntersville, Ala., celebrated the service of Vietnam veterans in a special recognition program. As guests and members gathered and admired the patriotic decorations, the veterans were introduced. After introductions, each veteran spoke to the audience about his service during the Vietnam War. Chapter Librarian Shari Harrison and Chapter Chaplain Maggie Muegge led the chapter in a candlelight program of recognition and prayer for the veterans.

The chapter was honored to recognize five spouses of DAR members: Seaman John Breyfogle, Colonel Sam Harrison, Colonel William Trapp and Specialist William Pace. Yeoman Owen Peters, a brother of a member, was present at the ceremony, and Colonel Kenny Cobb, who had the distinction of being a husband of one chapter member as well as a brother of another member, was also recognized. Harry Dolan was recognized posthumously. A chapter member had worn his MIA bracelet during the war, and she learned that his remains were recently discovered and returned to the United States for burial.

Each veteran received a certificate of appreciation from the chapter.

Flag Day, June 14, 2015, was particularly patriotic this year for the 35 organizing chapter members who gathered with pending and prospective members, family, the peaks are named for western American Indian tribes.

On April 18, 2015, Jean Espy Chapter, Fort Madison, Iowa, brought local history alive by celebrating Rachel Albright Day on the 110th anniversary of the death of this 19th-century area resident. As a child, Rachel’s grandmother Betsy Ross taught her to make American flags. In 1841, the Albright family relocated from Philadelphia to Fort Madison, where they became prominent members of the community. DAR members dressed in period clothing honored Albright’s life at five different locations. At the former Albright home, built in 1857 for $14,000 and equal in splendor to the Iowa Governor’s Mansion at that time, a historical presentation was shown. St. Luke’s Episcopal Church displayed a Betsy Ross-style flag that Albright made at age 92.

At her grave site in City Cemetery, Albright was portrayed by Judy Bartachek. Graves of Albright family members were marked. The local public library displayed several small replica flags that Albright made. Staff demonstrated the process of making a five-pointed star with one cut. The local historical society museum displayed period artifacts and Rachel Albright memorabilia. The event was a great success, bringing awareness of the lives of former Fort Madison residents to its present ones.

On Flag Day, June 14, 2015, John Athey Chapter, Oakley, Kan., and
Courtney-Spalding Chapter, Hays, Kan., jointly sponsored a Medal of Honor remembrance ceremony honoring Corporal George Miller, Company H, 5th U.S. Infantry, who is buried in Red Top Cemetery, in Gove County, Kan. More than 80 people, including Miller descendants who came from as far away as Ohio and Texas, attended the event. The ceremony, which included bugle calls, bagpipes, recognition of attending veterans and a rifle volley salute by the local American Legion Honor Guard, also celebrated the 99th anniversary of Flag Day.

As part of the ceremony, a flag which had been flown over the United States Capitol on April 27, 2015, the 138th anniversary of Miller’s Medal of Honor citation for gallantry in action during the Indian Wars, was raised by Historic Fort Hays 5th Infantry re-enactors and presented by the chapters to the cemetery caretakers. Red Top, a long inactive but well cared for cemetery, was the site of an unknown number of pioneer burials, only four of which are marked with headstones. Following a post-ceremony reception, Miller descendants were taken by the Red Top sexton on their first visit to their ancestral homestead.

Kings Mountain Messenger Chapter, Fayetteville, Tenn., recently teamed up with Joseph Greer S.A.R. Chapter to restore the grave site of Joseph Greer, who is known as the Kings Mountain Messenger. The S.A.R. members provided labor and the DAR provided food and moral support on a very hot day. The grave site is located near Petersburg, S.C., in Lincoln County.

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With the boom of a cannon, a swirl of smoke and confetti streaming through the air, Magnolia Ellis Chapter, Truth or Consequences, N.M., won first place for the Best Club Float in the local 2015 Fiesta Days Parade. In keeping with the parade theme of “Truth,” the theme of the float was “The Truth is that Freedom is Not Free.” The float featured a homemade cannon that exploded to send streamers into the air, accompanied by smoke created using dry ice.

Truth or Consequences, originally named Hot Springs, is a city of about 10,000 residents located 150 miles north of El Paso, Texas, and 150 miles south of Albuquerque, N.M. The community was the winner of a 1952 contest staged by a radio game show of the same name to promote the show. The contest promised that once a year for five years, Ralph Edwards would bring his radio quiz show’s entire broadcast crew and top guest stars to any small town in the United States that would change its name to Truth or Consequences. Hot Springs won the contest, and Edwards continued to visit during the first weekend in May until his death 45 years later. The annual event became known as Fiesta Days.

Members of Margaret Montgomery Chapter, Conroe, Texas, presented a family history workshop in honor of the 125th Anniversary of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Members of Montgomery Girl Scout Troop 10822, led by Nancy Ashworth, attended the workshop, which was held May 21, 2015. Troop 10822 met at the Living Savior Lutheran Church in Montgomery, Texas, where they learned about NSDAR and family history research.

Judy Weidner, dressed as Betty Zane, made history come to life by relating her story of patriotism during the Revolution. Troop members created a family tree and a family coat of arms, and mapped their family origins. The troop listened to Revolutionary War songs played on a dulcimer by chapter member Cheryl Dowdy.
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Participating Margaret Montgomery Chapter members included Tracy Olds, Trish Wunderlich, Bobbie Jackson, Betty Magee, Phyllis Stehm, Jessica Jackson, Tasha Proske, Kendyl Beaird and Sandy Yoder.

Martha Washington Chapter, Washington, D.C., rededicated Boundary Stone Southeast 6 on May 2, 2015. The stone is one of the original boundary markers placed in 1791–1792 to establish the new nation’s seat of government. In 1915 the DCDAR resolved to protect the stones, and installed fences around each. Martha Washington Chapter adopted Southeast 6 on April 26, 1926.

Southeast 6 was preserved as part of a joint project of the DCDAR and several government agencies to maintain the 26 stones located in Maryland and D.C. Southeast 6 was previously damaged in an accident that broke the stone in half and destroyed the surrounding fence. The stone pieces were reattached, and it was installed. The chapter had a replacement fence fabricated to match the original 1915 fence blueprints.

The ceremony to rededicate the site and marker was conducted by Chapter Regent Shari Thorne-Sulima, who also serves as liaison to the Government Boundary Stones Preservation Team. Following the DAR Ritual, members of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia conducted the Masonic Cornerstone Ritual of Corn, Wine and Oil, which had been conducted at the ceremonial laying of the first Boundary Stone on April 15, 1791.

This year Mary Ball Chapter, Tacoma, Wash., celebrated literacy with a variety of activities. Through the DAR, the gift of reading is given to many who would not otherwise have the opportunity to experience the love of a good book. Reading brings hope, joy and new adventure to all. On Dr. Seuss’ birthday, the chapter celebrated the renowned author’s life and legacy by sharing the love of reading and communication with toddlers and elementary schoolchildren. Reading and telling stories make up a pivotal and influential part of a child’s life. There is no greater gift to Dr. Seuss on his birthday than to share the joy of reading with children.

Mary Ellen Robertson Chapter, Leesburg, Fla., recognized members and guests at an event commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War. More than 50 veterans and 25 family members attended.

In doing so, the chapter has taken on the mission of thanking and honoring Vietnam veterans and their families. Through the efforts of its partners, this multiyear Department of Defense program aims to thank and honor all Vietnam War-era veterans. The Leesburg Noon Kiwanis Club participated in the May 19, 2015, event.

Twenty-five veterans from Lake County were recognized as they were given a long-delayed welcome home. Dignitaries attending included: Leesburg Mayor Elise Dennison; Florida Representative Larry Metz; Pam Jones, a representative from the office of U.S. Congressman Daniel Webster; representatives from the City of Leesburg Police Department; and color guard and flag bearers in full dress from Pennbrooke Fairways Community.

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the afternoon program, which included DAR speakers, remarks from the Soldiers’ Home superintendent, poems and songs, distribution of a special recognition certificate from the NSDAR to all Vietnam veteran residents, and a beautiful rendition of taps played on the fiddle.

The guest speaker for the event was Thomas E. Cleland Jr., a retired Air Force colonel and Vietnam War command pilot who is also the husband of chapter member Pat Cleland. Event chair Debra Windoloski was assisted by co-chairs Cynthia Watson of Mary Mattoon Chapter and Karen Tatro of Betty Allen Chapter, Northampton, Mass.

On March 7, 2015, Mercy Warren Chapter, Springfield, Mass., presented a program in conjunction with Women’s History Month. The chapter honored past and current women who share a love of country.

Chapter Regent Holly S. Blair presented a program on chapter namesake Mercy Otis Warren, whose writings included political satires, plays and history. She is best remembered as the author of the first history of the American Revolution, published in 1805. Millie Dunbar and Meriam Silverman, two local World War II veterans, were honored also. Both spoke about their service and love of country. They shared medals, awards and photographs with the group. Kateri Walsh, chair of the Springfield Women’s Commission, shared the commission’s accomplishments of the past year.

The chapter is proud to have had President General Edith Scott Magna (1932–1935) serve as chapter regent. A fierce fundraiser, she also served the National Society as Librarian General. The most successful financial accomplishment of the Magna Administration was the retirement of the debt on Constitution Hall.

Organized June 17, 1892, Mercy Warren Chapter is the oldest in Massachusetts. It has a rich history of service to God, Home and Country.

On June 6, 2015, Nathan Edson Chapter, Clay Center, Kan., held two Civil War Medal of Honor remembrance ceremonies with local and state guests in attendance. Konza Prairie S.A.R. Chapter, Manhattan, Kan., provided the color guard for both ceremonies. Chapter Regent Alice Bachand conducted both ceremonies and chapter member Jodi Bachand ended each ceremony by playing taps on the flute.

The ceremony honoring James H. Burbank was held at 10:30 a.m. in Miltonvale City Cemetery in Miltonvale, Kan. Burbank earned the Medal of Honor for gallantry in action while on detached service on board the gunboat Barney on October 3, 1862, at Black Water near Franklin, Va. Chapter Vice Regent Mary Lisa Thoman read Burbank’s biography and obituary.

The ceremony honoring Henry H. Taylor was held at 2 p.m. in Greenwood Cemetery in Clay Center. Taylor earned the Medal of Honor because he was the first to plant the Union colors upon the enemy’s works on June 25, 1863, at Vicksburg, Miss. Chapter Registrar Lena McKee read Taylor’s biography and obituary.

Four members of Nathanael Greene Chapter, Greenville, S.C., participated in the weeklong 124th Continental Congress at DAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C., in June. Chapter members in attendance were: Chaplain General Ann Crider; newly elected Vice President General Dorothy Lind, who served as South Carolina State Regent from 2012–2015; Chapter Regent Nancy Neas; and Chapter Registrar Judy Allen.

Today Nathanael Greene Chapter, originally chartered May 22, 1897, and named for Revolutionary War General Nathanael Greene, is one of the largest chapters in South Carolina, with more than 100 members.

On May 17, 2015, Olde Towne Fenton Chapter, Fenton, Mo., hosted a memorial marker dedication ceremony honoring Revolutionary War soldier Private Samuel Kennerly at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Kennerly had been buried in the Old Post section of the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, but his marker had deteriorated and was lost over time, so his exact grave location was not known.
The event included welcoming remarks by Chapter Regent Linda Kanevsky. Greetings were offered by: James Osbourn of the Spirit of St. Louis S.A.R. Chapter; William Grote of the Fernando de Leyba S.A.R. Chapter; Leslie Canavan-Richards of the Colonial Daughters of the XVII Century; Margaret Carr of the United States Daughters of 1812; and Boy Scout Troop 826 of Kennerly Elementary School.

Olde Towne Fenton Chapter members dedicate a memorial marker to Revolutionary War soldier Samuel Kennerly at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.

Historic Preservation Committee Chapter Co-chair Nora Zimmer, who spearheaded the effort, spoke on her six-year quest to seek recognition for Kennerly and honor his service in the Revolutionary War. Other speakers included Chapter Historian Paula Cliffe and Missouri Society S.A.R. Color Guard Commander Bill Groth. Chapter Chaplain Carolyn Ohremski led attendees in prayer. Several Kennerly family members were in attendance. A reception followed the program.

When Janie Lucretia Brook Harkey became a DAR member on October 5, 2014, she joined four generations of family members in Okemah Chapter, Okemah, Okla. She is the maternal aunt of 31-year members Margaret Kezer Parks and Eva Maye Kezer Williams, as well as 41-year member Martha Gene Kezer Merideth. Mrs. Merideth’s daughter, Carole Marie Merideth Musick, is a 42-year member, her granddaughter, Merideth Ann Musick, is a 26-year member, and her great-granddaughter, D’Andra Marie Musick, is a five-year member.

Okemah Chapter was organized February 9, 1927, with Emma B. Kennedy as organizing regent. The 12 charter members named the chapter in honor of Creek American Indian Chief Okemah, whose name translates to Big Chief. Now with 38 members, Okemah Chapter is still growing and participating in various projects, especially those benefiting veterans.

On June 13, 2015, Orlando Chapter, Orlando, Fla., Kate Barry Chapter, Spartanburg, S.C., William Day Chapter, Duluth, Ga., and James Blair Chapter, Corsicana, Texas, jointly hosted a ceremony honoring Revolutionary War soldier John Farrow (1757–1843) at the New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery in Cross Anchor, S.C. Col. William Bratton S.A.R. Chapter, Daniel Morgan S.A.R. Chapter and the South Carolina S.A.R. Color Guard also marked Farrow’s grave on behalf of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Tracy Suarez, fourth-great-granddaughter of Farrow and an Orlando Chapter member, organized the day’s events and unveiled the DAR marker with help from South Carolina State Chaplain Catherine McBroom and Kate Barry Chapter Regent Sheila Ingle. Gene Farrow Armstrong, fourth-great-grandson of Farrow and a Col. William Bratton S.A.R. Chapter member, unveiled the S.A.R. marker. Greetings and wreaths were presented by DAR, S.A.R. and C.A.R. representatives, including South Carolina State Regent Dorothy Lind, S.A.R. South Atlantic Vice President General Mark Anthony, South Carolina S.A.R. State President Gregory Greenawalt and South Carolina S.A.R. Color Guard Commander Bob Krause.

Honoring those who have served our country was the agenda for the November meeting of Peter Forney Chapter, Montgomery, Ala. Members visited patients and their families at the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System Hospital and took time to hear their stories and offer appreciation. Many members have a connection with the military, and this annual visit is a simple way to say thank you.
you to our servicemen and women for the sacrifices they have made for our country’s freedom. Throughout the year, chapter members gather personal care items such as lap robes, toiletries and other small items that they distribute to the patients to make their hospital stay more comfortable. The chapter also emphasizes patriotism through other projects, such as Constitution Week and Flag Day observances, as well as various community projects for which members volunteer.

At its June 1, 2015, awards banquet, Roger Sherman Chapter, New Milford, Conn., honored four Connecticut Gold Star Mothers with a presentation of certificates of honor from the Vietnam War Commemorative Committee. The honorees were: Mary Kight, past Connecticut Department Chair, American Gold Star Mothers, Inc., who lost her son, Michael, a warrant office and helicopter pilot, on May 19, 1967; Midge Ferry, who lost her son Lance Corporal Ray Leonard Ferry III, on April 9, 1969; Frances McCann, who lost her son, Private 1st Class James Patrick Carney, on February 27, 1969; and Althea McLellan, who lost her son, Corporal Arthur C. McLellan, on March 31, 1969. Also on hand were Jeffrey McBrearty, Commander Ezra Woods Post 31, American Legion; James Delancy, Commander, Andrew Mygatt VFW Post 1672; Kathy Shemeley, President POW/MIA CT; and Sherri Vogt, Veterans Outreach and Service Academy Coordinator District Aide Officer of Congresswoman Elizabeth Esty. NSDAR Curator General and Honorary Chapter Regent Jennie Rehnhberg conducted a very moving Missing Man Table ceremony in honor of POW and MIA.

Samuel Doak Chapter, Morristown, Tenn., honored Vietnam War veterans and commemorated the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War on April 30, 2015, at the Tennessee City Center. The event honored veterans, their families and supporting personnel. Tennessee Commemorative Events Committee State Chair Andrea Calfee spoke about those who were MIA or POW. Hamblen County Mayor Bill Brittain presented a Department of Defense Award to Samuel Doak Chapter officers. Morristown City Mayor Danny Thomas, a veteran and the host for the event, presented a proclamation to chapter officers. First United Methodist Church minister Dr. Charles Starks gave the eulogy. Veteran Clarence Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance. Veteran, historian, teacher and columnist Jim Claborn presented a talk on what it was like to return to the United States after the war. District Representative Bill Darden, representing Congressman Phil Roe, thanked the veterans.

Chapter members participating included: Regent Ellen Betts, Chaplain Carol Long, and Corresponding Secretary and Event coordinator Katy Davidson, who directed the Singing Saints Choir. The Tennessee State Color Guard presented the colors. Ms. Betts and Lieutenant Colonel Gregory Stephens laid a wreath in salute to the fallen, and each branch of the service was recognized. Ms. Long gave the invocation and benediction.

Members of Sierra Amador Chapter, Jackson, Calif., honored winners of the American History and Christopher Columbus essay contests, along with their families and friends, at an recent afternoon tea. The chapter’s essay contest program was chaired by Chapter Regent Ann Taylor and Janet van Mastriigt. Daughters were impressed with the winning essays, which the students read aloud at the event.

American History Essay Contest winners were: Melanie Estrada, Visions Home School; Andre King, Jackson Junior High School; Brinly Veracuzo, Christian Family Learning Center; and Gurashish Khangura, Ione Junior High School.

Cheyanne Sheridan of Argonaut High School won the Christopher Columbus Essay Contest, and her essay went on to win the district and state competitions as well.

Three DAR Good Citizens Award winners were introduced: Savanna Mae Leckemby, Amador High School; Haleigh Lyn Madsen, Argonaut High School; and Dakota Lee Butzler, Calaveras High School.

Members were especially proud to honor Civil Air Patrol Cadet Daniel Clark at the awards tea. Daniel is the son of chapter member Laura Clark and her husband, Dave Pincus.

The chapter plans to continue these rewarding recognition programs for young people, which help to build good citizens and a strong country.

On Memorial Day, Spokane Garry Chapter, Spokane, Wash., honors deceased Daughters with special grave markers. In 2015, the chapter placed 33 memorial roses on graves, including those of Organizing Regent Mattie Wetherill and six past chapter regents.

This project requires a team of six current members, prospective members and, occasionally, a nimble child. Often this token of respect is the only decoration on the grave of a Daughter who has served her chapter. This has proven to be a rewarding experience for the chapter, as well as a patriotic way to honor former members, gain knowledge about them and preserve the 94-year history of Spokane Garry Chapter.
Future endeavors will involve locating and mapping locations where the graves of former chapter members can be found. Once a grave is located, photographs and maps are used to help locate it again in future years.

In the 1930s, the chapter had the remains of namesake Spokane Garry, a Spokane American Indian chief, moved from a pauper’s field and reinterred in a prominent place in Greenwood Cemetery, where it is marked with a large granite tombstone.

William Tuffs Chapter, Elkhart Ind., has participated in many area parades, which present an opportunity to promote DAR. Each Memorial Day, Daughters lay a wreath at a monument to Revolutionary War Patriots dedicated by the chapter in 1932.

To promote American history education, the chapter presented a program on Colonial life, clothes, flags, members’ Patriots and DAR to more than 300 middle school students. On Presidents Day, members visited a local daycare to read stories about the presidents of all age levels. This year the chapter donated more than 100 children’s books.

Constitution Week displays in five of the local county libraries had members putting up copies of the Constitution, books and patriotic materials. Word search puzzles, coloring pages and flags were given away as well.

In February, chapter members treated veterans at the Robert Miller Center to lunch and a game of bingo. The veterans attend the chapter’s annual summer picnic in June. The chapter also supports two active-duty military members by sending goody boxes frequently.

On May 23, 2015, Ypsilanti Chapter, Ypsilanti, Mich., followed up on the words of NSDAR Founder Eugenia Washington, “We want a society founded on service.” Members groomed and planted flowers to beautify the entrance of local Highland Cemetery, established in 1863. The cemetery commemorates the U.S. Military every year with a special Memorial Day ceremony honoring all veterans, including the many veterans buried there. Highland Cemetery’s mission is to create “a place of great natural beauty, where loved ones are honored and our heritage revered.” Being a relatively small chapter with 28 members, Ypsilanti Chapter was proud that seven were able to contribute their time and efforts to this special service project to honor the 125th Anniversary of NSDAR.

In February, members of Zachariah Godbold Chapter, Bay Minette, Ala., presented a historical program to fifth-grade students at Bay Minette Intermediate School. Michelle Patton, a talented actress who performs with the local Theater 98, portrayed Caroline Scott Harrison, the wife of President Benjamin Harrison, to teach students about the woman who was the first President General of the National Society. Patton dressed in character and told the students about Mrs. Harrison’s life, relating stories about her time in the White House. Students learned about the modernization of the White House in the late 1800s, when electric lights and other conveniences were added. The children listened intently as Mrs. Harrison recounted her experiences as first lady and as President General.

Milestone Member Birthdays

Fort Atkinson-Eli Pierce Chapter, Fort Atkinson, Wisc., enjoyed lunch and cake on May 7, 2015, while celebrating the 100th birthday of member Juanita Telfer Heinz. After earning her teacher certification in 1934 and teaching in one-room schools, she married Earl Heinz in 1937. They had three children. She now has eight grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. Several of Mrs. Heinz’
family members attended the celebration, including son and daughter-in-law Lee and Lynne Heinz, daughter Karol Folmer, and daughter and son-in-law Jo-Ann and Paul Jensen.

Mrs. Heinz joined Fort Atkinson Chapter on October 16, 1947. During her 67 years of membership, she has served the chapter as secretary, librarian and chaplain. She chaired the DAR School Committee for more than 20 years, and at various times led other committees, including Seimes Microfilm, Transportation and Safety, Membership, and Insignia.

In 2015, Corinne Curtis, a member of John C. Fremont Chapter, Carson City, Nev., celebrates both her 90th birthday and her 60th year of DAR membership. She played clarinet in the band at Reno High School, from which she graduated in 1944. On March 10, 1946, she married William H. Curtis at the Trinity Episcopal Church in Reno, Nev. The Curtises finished building their dream house in 1957, and Mrs. Curtis remained the home for 56 years, until she sold it in 2013.

After the loss of her husband Mrs. Curtis frequently traveled with longtime friends. Following a second round of cancer, she moved to Santa Rosa, Calif., to be near many family members. Mrs. Curtis retains her DAR membership in Nevada’s John C. Fremont Chapter. Her oldest sister was a charter member of the chapter.

In May, a formal tea was held at John Ascuagua’s Nugget Resort and Casino in Sparks, Nev., to celebrate Mrs. Curtis’ life and her many achievements. The event was attended by family, friends and DAR members.

Fifth Revolutionary War Source Guide Now Available

Virginia in the American Revolution: A Source Guide for Genealogists and Historians, the latest release in the DAR Library’s series of source guides focusing on research in each of the original states during the Revolutionary period, is now available in both print and digital format. The series provides detailed information on the availability of manuscript and archival material that exists for each state for the period of the Revolutionary War, along with listings of historical and genealogical studies that have been published to supplement the original sources. Researchers can use this essential resource to identify materials and studies located in many scattered libraries and archives. The previously released source guides pertaining to Georgia, New York, Rhode Island and South Carolina are still available in print and digital format.

Downloadable PDF versions of these source guides sell for $25 each, plus tax, from The DAR Store Online at www.dar.org/darstore. Add the book to your shopping cart as you would any other item from the online store. Once your payment is verified, you will receive an email with a special download link to the PDF of the book. Pricing varies for the printed volumes of the source guides. Check The DAR Store Online for details, or contact the store at 1 (888) 673–2732 or shopping@dar.org.

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State Activities

Each state may publish one submission per calendar year. Articles are limited to 200 words. One photo may accompany each article. Submissions may be sent via e-mail or through the postal system. Email submissions should include two attachments: a Word document containing the article and photo caption, as well as a high-resolution digital photo (300 dpi or greater) in jpg or tif format. Submissions sent via the postal system should include a CD or USB flash drive containing the article and photo caption, as well as a high-resolution digital photo. Alternatively, we accept photo prints submitted by mail. Send materials to newsletter@dar.org or to the DAR Magazine Office, 1776 D Street NW, Washington, DC 20006. All reports will be edited for length and content.

Celebrating America in Colorado

April found Colorado Daughters “Celebrating America in Colorado” at their 112th State Conference. President General Lynn Forney Young attended the event, at which honorees included veterans, local Daughters, Colorado chapters, a local news anchor and more.

The conference’s patriotic banquet recognized retired U.S. Army Colonel Clara M. Huff with the Outstanding Veteran Volunteer Award for her work overseeing the activities of 200 volunteers at an area hospital. Matthew Schramm, a sophomore at Fountain-Fort Carson High School, received the Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award, while Colorado Daughter Colleen Heitman was awarded the DAR Outstanding Service for Veterans Volunteer Award for providing numerous services to veterans in her community.

Jeremy Hubbard, a local television anchorman, was recognized with the State DAR Media and Entertainment Award for his body of work, which includes award-winning documentaries profiling Colorado veterans of foreign conflicts. Guests enthusiastically thanked Vietnam veterans in attendance, and the veterans received certificates honoring their service.

Mrs. Young offered a heartfelt address that touched on a number of topics and elaborated on her most extraordinary week in which she met Queen Elizabeth II as part of the ceremonies surrounding the digitization of King George III’s records.

Connecticut Dedicates New Memorial Garden

During President General Lynn Young’s visit in April 2014, a groundbreaking ceremony took place for the Connecticut DAR Memorial Garden on the grounds of the historic Oliver Ellsworth Homestead in Windsor, Conn. The project was initiated during current Curator General Jennie Rehnberg’s term as Connecticut State Regent. The dedication of the memorial garden was held in September 2014 during the State Board of Management meeting celebrating the engraved brick installation. The second phase of the project included the flagpole installation with solar lighting in time for Flag Day. Connecticut Daughters gathered around the new flagpole with State Regent April B. Staley at the June 2015 board meeting. Landscaping, granite benches, a historic bell and more engraved bricks will be added at a later date.

Massachusetts Daughters Honor Declaration of Independence Signers

Massachusetts DAR honors its heritage. One example of this is the society’s longstanding tradition of remembering the courageous men of Massachusetts who signed the Declaration of Independence. Each year, as the Fourth of July approaches, Daughters from all across the state gather at the Church of the Presidents in Quincy, Mass., to offer prayers of thanks and gratitude for the courage of John Adams, one of five Signers from Massachusetts.

This year, State Regent Gail Terry laid a wreath on President John Adams’ sarcophagus. Daughters then traveled to the Granary Burying Ground in Boston, where Signers Samuel Adams, John Hancock and Robert Treat Paine lay at rest. At each grave site State Chaplain Muffie Martin led a prayer and State Historian...
Ruth Colby presented an engaging narrative about the significant role these men played as they placed ink to paper on the document that established the independence of our new nation. The S.A.R. Color Guard provided a gun volley salute. The fifth Signer from Massachusetts was Elbridge Gerry, who is buried in Historic Congressional Cemetery in Washington, D.C. The Massachusetts Daughters thank the District of Columbia DAR for honoring him at his grave site each year.

Montana Holds 112th State Conference

The 112th Conference of the Montana State Society Daughters of the American Revolution, hosted by Silver Bow Chapter, Butte, Mont., was held at Fairmont Hot Springs Resort in Anaconda, Mont., from April 29–May 1, 2015. President General Lynn Forney Young and past Vice President General Iverna Lincoln Huntsman attended as honored guests. Six Montana Honorary State Regents attended the conference, as well as Volunteer Genealogists Committee Northwest Division Vice Chair JoAnn Piazzola and Women’s Issues Committee Northwest Division Vice Chair Peggy Saitros.

The luncheon speaker was Diane Carlson Evans, founder and president of the Women’s Vietnam Memorial Foundation. Mrs. Young announced that Evans would receive the DAR Medal of Honor at Continental Congress.

Montana state chairs presented their reports with posters and displays. Conference attendees participated in service projects including folding pocket-sized flags for deployed troops serving overseas.

The Tierman Irish Dancers entertained at the reception. Awards were presented to the American History, Christopher Columbus, and DAR Good Citizen winners at the youth awards breakfast. Mrs. Young spoke at the banquet. A presentation was made to Montana State University and the Montana Outstanding Teacher of American History was introduced.

North Carolina Celebrates 115th State Conference

The North Carolina Society Daughters of the American Revolution held its 115th State Conference April 30–May 3, 2015, in Durham, N.C. State Regent Peggy Carney Troxell presided. Special guests included First Vice President General Ann Turner Dillon, Kentucky State Regent Barbara Glass Zink, Louisiana State Regent Sue Lewis Simpson, New York State Regent Martha Morris Crapser and DAR School Committee National Chair Sally Napier Bueno. Also in attendance were past Vice Presidents General and Honorary State Regents Elizabeth Reed Gibson and Jane Owens Barbot, as well as Honorary State Regent Diana Seals Wood. Crossnore School Chief Development Officer Brett Loftis, Tamassee DAR School Executive Director Amy Twitty, Hindman Settlement School Executive Director Brent Hutchinson and
North Carolina Society C.A.R. President Camille Edwards were present as well.

Members of the North Carolina S.A.R. Color Guard presented the colors at the opening business session on Friday afternoon. The North Carolina State University Pipes and Drums entertained guests at the Scottish-themed formal banquet on Friday night. Harpist Amy Kortus played beautiful music throughout the conference. North Carolina S.A.R. State President Timothy Berly brought greetings at the Saturday night banquet. Historian Donald C. McMahan served as the guest speaker.

**Wyoming Marks 100th State Conference**
From May 28–30, 2015, Wyoming Daughters met in Sheridan, Wyo., for the 100th Wyoming State Society Conference. State Regent Susan Haines presided. In tribute to the theme “Migration to Wyoming,” attendees received a booklet containing the stories of DAR members’ migrations to the state. Members and guests enjoyed a tour of the Bradford Brinton Memorial Museum, an evening of entertainment by Pioneer Ghost Re-enactments, and a beautiful quilt display. Special guests included First Vice President General Ann Turner Dillon and the State Regents of Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota and Utah, among others. Members’ purchases from conference vendors benefited the Wyoming Lights the Way Project, which aims to raise $12,000 to fund LED lighting at DAR Headquarters.

The Wyoming State Society DAR and Wyoming Sons of the American Revolution (WYSSAR) have formed a liaison that brings the two societies together to help identify prospective S.A.R. members and foster friendships. The joint effort began during Mary Agnes McAleenan’s term as State Regent. At its May meeting, WYSSAR chartered the new High Plains Chapter, the second in the state. WYSSAR had a visible presence at the Wyoming State Society Conference.

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The Wide Blue Sash Profiles NSDAR Presidents General and Early Leaders
Since 1890, 42 women, each one with her own vision and goals, have served the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution as President General. *The Wide Blue Sash* gives a glimpse of the background, character, leadership and accomplishments of these women who have represented and led the National Society’s more than 940,000 members over the past 125 years. Their leadership has allowed the NSDAR to become the largest female lineage society in the country and owner of a city block of iconic buildings in Washington, D.C. The book also includes biographies of the Society’s four Founders and its only President Presiding, Mary Ellet Cabell.

To purchase *The Wide Blue Sash* for $10, contact The DAR Store at (888) 673–2732 or visit [www.dar.org/darstore](http://www.dar.org/darstore).
The following ancestors were accepted by the NSDAR Board of Management between May 1, 2015, and June 30, 2015, after verification of documentary evidence of service during the American Revolution.

ANGELL: ANGEL, ANGLE
Nicholas: b 12-3-1724 GR d a 11-3-1792 NY m (1) Maria X PS NJ

ARNOLD:
Nehemiah: b 3-15-1748 RI d 3-12-1833 RI m (1) Alice Brown Sol RI

BACA: VACA
Jose Manuel: b bp 8-20-1760 SA d 1790 SA m (1) Maria Gertrudis Esquilb PS SA

BAILEY: BAILY, BAYLEY, BAYLY
William: b 1754 d 2-28-1837 VA m (1) Sarah Sally Sprouse Pvt VA

BALLARD: BALLORD, BULLOCK
Caleb: b 1758 NY d p 1810 NY m (1) Freelove Townsend Cpl NY

John: b c 1700 d a 7-9-1787 VA m (1) Faitha X PS VA

BECKER, BEKKER, BICKER
BACKER, BAEKKER, BECKES, BECKER: BACCHUS, BACHER, BACH

Belinda: b c 1700 d a 7-9-1787 VA m (1) Freeleove Townsend Cpl NY

BELL:
Joseph: b 6-13-1747 MA d 8-26-1819 NY m (1) Abigail Bickford Sgt MA

BEKE, BEKKER, BICKER
Henry: b 1748 GR d p 9 - 1839 NY m (1) Margaretha X Pvt NY

BENSON: BENSEN
Moses: b 5-20-1732 MA d 7-3-1806 VT m (1) Eunice Holbrook Cpl MA

BERLIN:
Abraham Jr: b a 1755 d p 1810 PA m (1) Anna Maria X PS Lt PA

BIAYS: BYAS, BYUS
James: b bp 2-5-1762 PA d 7-30-1822 MD m (1) Sarah Jackson Pvt PA MD

BISBEE: BISBE, BISBY
Isaac: b 1-12-1760 MA d 4-15-1845 VT m (1) Mary Baker NONCOM MA

BOYCE: BOICE, BOIES, BOYS
Adam: b c 1756 d p 1 - 1804 NJ m (1) Eliza X PS Sol NJ

BRASSELTON:
John: b a 1730 d a 8-9-1788 MD m (1) Eliza X PS Sol NJ

BRETZ: BRETZIUS, BRITTS, PRETZ, PRITTS
Michael: b 12-28-1740 GR d 9-14-1803 PA m (1) Sarah X PS Capt PA

BULLARD:
Edward: b bp 5-29-1757 MA d 5-18-1826 NH m (1) Elizabeth Crawley Pvt MA

BURFORD: BURFOOT, BURFORT
John: b c 1738 VA d a 12-21-1807 VA m (1) Sarah X PS VA

BURNAP:
Joseph: b 6-13-1747 MA d 8-26-1819 NY m (1) Abigail Bickford SGT MA

BURROUGHS: BORROUGHS, BURR, BURRIS, BURRISS, BURROUGHS: BORROUGHS, BURR, BURRIS, BURRISS

Hubbard III: b 3-24-1763 CT d 8-13-1832 PA m (1) Mary Wilkins Pvt CT

CARTER: CARTIER
Charles: b 1762 d p 7-19-1841 TN m (1) X X Sol VA

CARTWRIGHT: CUTFRIGHT
Hezekiah: b a 1720 d a 3-24-1792 NC m (1) X Simpson PNS NC

CASLER: KESLAER, KESLER, KESSLER
Henry: b c 1754 d 8 - 1812 VA m (1) Barbara Kneyer Capt PA

CARTWRIGHT: CUTFRIGHT
Hezekiah: b a 1720 d a 3-24-1792 NC m (1) X Simpson PNS NC

CASLER: KESLAER, KESLER, KESSLER
Henry: b c 1754 d 8 - 1812 VA m (1) Barbara Kneyer Capt PA

COFFEE: COFFEE
Edmund: b c 1742 d a 7-25-1808 VA m (1) Nancy X PS VA

COLBETH: COLBATH, COLBREATH
Lemuel: b 1762 NH d p 7-19-1833 ME m (1) Mary X Pvt MA

COOK: COOKE
Bennett: b 4-4-1749 RI d a 2-12-1802 NY m (1) Experience Cornwall Pvt MA

Edward: b c 1760 d 1797 PA m (1) Rebecca Wilson Pvt PA

COX: COCK, COKE, COKE
Walter: b bp 10-7-1744 MA d 9-28-1788 MA m (1) Judith Deland Pvt MA

CRAYFORD: CRAFARD, CRAFORD, CRAUFURD, CRAWFOARD
Oliver: b c 1755 VA d a 8-31-1793 GA m (1) Lucy Alexander Pvt VA

DANFORTH: DANFORD
Thomas: b 6-2-1731 MA d 8-8-1782 CT m (1) Martha Jacobs CS Pvt CT

DAVISON, DAVISSON
Thomas: b c 1749 d p 9-25-1819 GA m (1) Keziah Terrell Pvt GA

DE FLOTTE:
Edward: b c 1749 d a 2-15-1801 NJ m (1) Levina Highby Lt MA

DILL: DILTS:
John: b 8-12-1714 d 1-15-1785 NJ m (1) Ann Clement PS NJ
Haskins CS MA
8-1-1793 MA m (1) Sarah Willis
Dalena Sassamanhausen PS PA
12-5-1810 PA m (1) Maria Mag
Lucy:

HOLMES:
HOLME

Robert:

Jeffrey:

John Henry:
12-3-1730 PA d a 5-7-1811 PA m (1) Elizabeth Smith (2) Sarah Betts PS PA
HEDGES:

HEDGES

Henry:

HARTLEY:

HEARTLY

Anthony:
12-3-1730 PA d a 5-7-1811 PA m (1) Elizabeth Smith (2) Sarah Betts PS PA

PIKE

PHELS:

Lewis:
4- -1766 NY d 10- 1-1853 OH m (1) Catherine McHenry Pvt NY

PIKE

Abraham:

NEW ORLEANS:

Francisco:

GARCIA DE NORIEGA:

MOYER:

MOYER

Henry:

LAFAYETTE:

EDGAR:

YATES

Mary:
4-2-1790 SC m (1) Margaret Miller PS SC

NORMAN:

Ely:

ROBERT:

Roberta:

Robert:

TENNEY:

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MADISON:

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TOMPKINS:

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PIERCE:

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STANFORD:

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FOSTER:

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FRANKLIN:

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GAGE:

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FRANKLIN:

FRANKLIN

FOUST:

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FAIR:
POMERoy: POMROY, PUMREY, PUMROY
Gaius: b 7-11-1760 d 11-22-1824 MA m (1) Elizabeth Root Clark NONCOM MA
Porcher: Peter: b 12-19-1726 SC d 4-22-1781 SC m (1) Elizabeth Cordes PS SC
POTE: POTHE
Matthias: b a 1752 d a 6-20-1818 PA m (1) Veronica Fanny Schmidt PS Pvt PA
POWERS: POWAR, POWARS, POWER
Jonas: b 6-13-1742 CT d p 10-28-1807 VA m (1) Eunice Harmon CS VT
PRESCOTT: PRESCUT
Fortunatus: b 3-11-1761 MA d 8-14-1819 NY m (1) Phebe Bartlett Pvt PA
PRICE: Benjamin: b 2-8-1734 d 12-2-1794 MD m (1) Temperance X PS MD
ROGER: ROGER
Frederick: b a 1754 NY d 1812 NY m (1) Margaret Waters Pvt NY
RANKIN: Joseph: b 1758 PA d c 3-3-1830 VA m (1) Elizabeth Cline PS VA
RAY: RAY, REA, RHEA, RHEY, WRAY
Zachariah: b c 1756 d a 1-1845 KY m (1) Mary X (2) Susan Anderson CS NC
Robinson: ROBASON, ROBISON, ROBERSON, ROBERTSON, ROBESON, ROBINSON
Alexander: b c 1755 d a 10-12-1791 SO m (1) Mary X PS NC
RoyaL: Tomas: b c 1738 SA d bu 3-22-1804 SA m (1) Ana Josefa Ginzo Ron Y Tovar (2) Maria Nieves Mirabal PS SA
Schleppi: schleppy
Daniel: b c 1755 PA d 1799 PA m (1) Margaret X Pvt PA
Scott: Rebekah: b c 1745 VA d a 12-22-1800 VA m (1) William Scott PS VA
Seeley: Sealy, SEEly, seeley
Sarah: b 3-25-1748 CT d 3-8-1835 CT m (1) Samuel Seeley (2) Ephraim Sterling PS CT
Sherman: SCHERMAN, SCHIRMAN, SCHURMANN, SHARMAN, SHEARMAN, SHERMER, SHIREMAN
Josiah: b c 1729 d 12-24-1815 CT m (1) Miriam Gregory CS PS CT
Shipton: SHIPLEY:
William Jr: b c 1754 MD d 8-11-1819 MD m (1) Susanna Sellman PS MD
Skillman: skilman
Abraham: b 9-13-1760 NJ d 8-18-1842 NJ m (1) Mary Sunderland Pvt NJ
Smith: Schmidt, SMYTH, SMYTHe
Ichabod: b 11-26-1738 MA d 3-11-1821 CT m (1) Susannah Pomeroy CS CT
Spalding: spaulding
Jacob: b 11-1-1745 CT d 6-29-1828 CT m (1) Lydia Lee CS PS CT
Spelman: spellman, spilmAn, spilman
James: b c 1725 d a 9-20-1790 VA m (1) X X (2) Alice X PS
Squire: SQUIRES
Amos: b c 1736 d a 4-11-1801 NC m (1) X X Sol NC
STALLARD:
Samuel: b c 1745 VA d a 10-28-1815 VA m (1) Jael Duncan PS VA
Stevens: Steffen, Steffy, Stephens
Thomas: b c 1735 EN d p 10-10-1806 VA m (1) X X PS VA
Strong:
Roswell: b 2-21-1761 CT d 3-22-1837 MA m (1) Nancy Pomeroy Pvt MA
Taylor: Tailor, Tayler
Nathan: b c 1725 d a 4-30-1801 PA m (1) Ruth Evans PS PA
Tilley: Tiley, TyleE
Edmund: b c 1745 d a 8-25-1800 NC m (1) Margaret X CS PS NC
Tonkin:
John: b c 1743 d bu 1-12-1807 NJ m (1) Sebbila Inseep CS PS NJ
Tuttle:
Joel: b 5-1-1746 CT d 10-10-1826 CT m (1) Lydia Bradley CS CT
Wall: Worl
Joel: b c 1761 d 11-22-1816 NC m (1) Elizabeth X Sgt NC
Wilcox: Wilcocks, Wilcoxen, Wilcox
Peleg: b 1-4-1759 RI d a 4-27-1801 RI m (1) Mehitable Whittles Pvt RI
Williams:
Mary: b c 1756 d p 2-27-1809 SC m (1) X Williams (2) Richard Creech Jr PS SC
Winder:
James Jr: b 1747 MD d p 3-8-1831 PA m (1) Elizabeth Grable PS Pvt MD
Winn: WINNE, WINNER, WYNE, WYNN, WYNNs
Galanus: b 2-4-1760 VA d p 5-14-1839 AL m (1) Rebecca Lester Pvt VA
Wolf: WOLFF, WOOLF
Hans Jacob: b 3-31-1707 GR d a 12-10-1799 VA m (1) Anna Catharina Schmid PS VA
Wyatt: WIAtt
Nathaniel Sr: b 3-7-1729 CT d a 5-31-1785 NY m (1) Temperance X LT NY

As part of your celebration of NSDAR’s 125th anniversary, gather your chapter and prospective members for a game of DAR-opoly, available for purchase from The DAR Store for $40. Playing this board game based on classic Monopoly makes for a fun chapter activity as well as a way to share DAR with your friends. The game is suitable for two to six players—or teams—ages 8 and older. Choose your token, buy well-known DAR properties, take a ride on the Patriotism Express, make a donation to the DAR Schools, and hope to get your DAR Grant approved. It’s all fun and games until someone gets stuck behind the Genealogical Brick Wall!

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  - Mexico

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- **Units Overseas**: Bermuda

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- **Arizona**: South Carolina
- **Arkansas**: Tennessee
- **Colorado**: Utah
- **Delaware**: Virginia
- **District of Columbia**: Washington
- **Hawaii**: Wisconsin
- **Idaho**: Wyoming
- **Illinois**: Mexico
- **Maryland**: Austria
- **Massachusetts**: The Bahamas
- **Michigan**: Bermuda
- **Montana**: France
- **New Hampshire**: Germany
- **New Mexico**: Guam
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- **North Dakota**: Mexico
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- **Oregon**: United Kingdom

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The Come and Take It Chapter was also the winner of the “Spread the American Spirit Subscription Contest” and was awarded the grand prize as the “Rock Stars” of the DAR Magazine.
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Honoring and Serving All Veterans

Left, Vietnam veterans Col. David Fitton, Retired, left, and Charles Huckleberry were among veterans honored for their service by the Harrison Colony Chapter.

Above, Vive Allen, left, and Madeleine Middleton are shown with the poster “Lest We Forget” displayed at the program for Vietnam veterans.

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Enoch Ashley - Rogers
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Mary H. Deere, Arkansas State Regent, 2014-2016
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Mary Deere, Arkansas State Regent, left, and Junelle Mongno, NSDAR Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service (VAVS) Deputy Representative, right, present Mark Leonard, director of the Arkansas Freedom Fund, with the ASDAR Outstanding Veteran Volunteer Award during the 2015 ASDAR State Conference in Little Rock. The Arkansas Freedom Fund serves and supports activities that benefit our military, veterans, wounded veterans and their families.

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Independence County Chapter
Batesville

Jonesboro Chapter
Jonesboro
Little Red River Chapter
Heber Springs
Robert Crittenden Chapter
West Memphis
Strawberry River Chapter
Horseshoe Bend

Robert Crittenden Chapter Daughters placed a wreath in memory of veterans.

Little Red River Chapter Daughter visits veterans at Pine Mountain Veterans Home.

To celebrate Memorial Day the Captain Nathan Watkins Chapter Daughters placed a wreath at the veterans statue on the Mountain Home Plaza.

Jonesboro Chapter Daughters distributed American flags to the crowd during Jonesboro’s Veterans Day parade.

The Frederick Van Patten Chapter Daughters display red, white and blue lap quilts to be given to handicapped veterans.
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Tate’s Bluff Chapter, Camden

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Jody Gladden, Regent
Mary Carpenter, Regent
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Sandra Lynn Poore, Regent
Lucy F. Cyphers, Regent
Honor with Pride

APRIL BUTLER STALEY
STATE REGENT 2013 - 2016

FOR HER VALUED SERVICE AND EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP

Administration Theme:
PRESEVING OUR HERITAGE, COMMUNICATING OUR MISSION, GROWING FOR THE FUTURE
CONNECTICUT DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Proudly Present

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CONNECTICUT’S 2015 STATE OUTSTANDING JUNIOR
& 2015 NATIONAL FINALIST

JORDAN FREEMAN CHAPTER

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Celebrate
NSDAR’S 125TH ANNIVERSARY
Honoring

ANN BELLE ROGERS MINOR
11TH PRESIDENT GENERAL
1920 - 1923

GRACE LINCOLN HALL BROSSEAU
13TH PRESIDENT GENERAL
1926 - 1929

September/October 2015
CONGRATULATIONS

STEPHANIE PRUITT REHNBERG

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WITH LOVE AND AFFECTION,
THE REHNBERG FAMILY
HARRY, JENNIE, CHRISTOPHER, METTA AND ALEXANDER

LT. GEORGE FARRAGUT CHAPTER
Coeur d’Alene, Idaho

HONORS OUR ORGANIZING AND CHARTER MEMBERS
AS WE CELEBRATE OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY
1965 - 2015

Helen Naslund
- Organizing Member
- Past Chapter Regent
- Honorary Idaho State Regent
- Current Parliamentarian

Anne Cordes
- Charter Member
- Past Chapter Regent
Illinois State Organization, NSDAR

Proudly Presents

Sharon Crumbaker Frizzell State Regent 2015 – 2017

"Be Yourself, Be Together, Be DAR"

Motto: Communicate, Educate, Motivate

Scripture:
“Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.”
Proverbs 16:24
“Encourage one another and build each other up.”
1 Thessalonians 5:11
Illinois State Organization, NSDAR

Proudly Honors
Illinois
Outstanding
Junior
2015 - 2016

Martha
Hoffman
Swick
Louis Joliet
Chapter

Martha joined the Louis Joliet Chapter on December 9, 2006. She was inspired to join the DAR after learning that her great grandmother had been the regent of the Alida C. Bliss Chapter in Morris, Illinois.

Prior to joining the DAR, Martha attended Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida majoring in pre-kindergarten and elementary education and earned her Master’s Degree from the University of Saint Francis in Joliet, Illinois majoring in education administration. She has been teaching at Walker’s Grove Elementary School in Plainfield, Illinois for the past 13 years.

While in the Louis Joliet Chapter, Martha has held the offices of Regent, First Vice Regent and Historian. Other chapter committees include Chapter Achievement Awards, Community Service Awards, DAR Good Citizens, Jr. Membership, and DAR Scholarship. She also helped organize the chapter’s 100th anniversary celebration. She has also been a Co-Chairman for the Marshal Committee and Place Card Committee for the Illinois State Conference as well as making place cards for the National Officers Club. She has been a page at the Illinois State Conference and Continental Congress.

Martha is an associate member of the Chicago Chapter and the Culper Ring Agent 355 Chapter.

Martha is also an elected official in her hometown, serving as a trustee on the Three Rivers Library Board of Channahon and Minooka. She is currently in her second six-year term.

She and her husband, Bill, are expecting their first child in August.

Congratulations, Martha!

Sharon Crumbaker Frizzell, State Regent
"Be Yourself, Be Together, Be DAR"
The Iowa Society
Daughters of the American Revolution
Proudly Honors

Barbara Thrailkill Halpin
Vice President General 2014-2017
The Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Proudly Presents Our Honorary State Regents

Front Row (L-R): Nola Gottschalk, Barbara Halpin, State Regent Sharon Braden, Yvonne Boone, Sara Jane Harwood
Back Row (L-R): Linda Van Nieuwlaat, DiAnne Lerud-Chubb, Christie Noble, Susan Harris

Greatly Appreciates our State Officers

Front Row (L-R): Jodi Freet, Lucinda Carter, Sharon Braden, State Regent, Diane Hobson, Donna Rager
Back Row (L-R): Peg Wilkinson, Sarah Steinke, Alberta Kennedy, Pamela Marvin, Candace Murray

Promoting Education to Encourage Lifelong Learning

“An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge” Proverbs: 18:15
The Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution Recognizes the Service of Our Pages

Front Row (L-R): Rachel Rickers, State Regent Sharon Braden, Page Chairman Briana Johnson, Back Row (L-R): Jessica Alberhasky, Jennifer Novak, Michelle Ankrum, Ellie Davis

Warmly Applauds Our Division and National Winners

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE CHAPTER

BUENA VISTA CHAPTER NSDAR
STORM LAKE, IA

NATIONAL 3RD PLACE WINNER

NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION 2ND PLACE WINNER

“PIONEER ROCK PLANTING”

AMERICAN HISTORY ESSAY

LUCAS BLEYLE
SUN DIAL CHAPTER NSDAR
AMES, IA (SPONSOR)

NATIONAL 3RD PLACE WINNER

GRADE 8

JAC WINNERS

CATHERINE POLLARD
DESHON CHAPTER NSDAR
BOONE, IA

NATIONAL 1ST PLACE WINNER

6TH GRADE COMMUNITY SERVICE

MAGGIE WITTE
DESHON CHAPTER NSDAR
BOONE, IA

NATIONAL 2ND PLACE WINNER

1ST GRADE POEM

DAVID FRANKS
DESHON CHAPTER NSDAR
BOONE, IA (SPONSOR)

NATIONAL 3RD PLACE WINNER

6TH GRADE POSTER

Promoting Education to Encourage Lifelong Learning

“An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge” Proverbs: 18:15
The Kansas Society Remembers
With Love and Appreciation

Alice Elizabeth “Betty” Wynn McGehee
July 1930 – March 2015

HONORARY VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL
VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL – 1993-1996
HONORARY STATE REGENT
KANSAS STATE REGENT – 1989-1992
Martha Loving Ferrell Chapter
The Kansas Society
Recognizes Guests and Honorary State Regents
from our 117th Annual State Conference

Front Row: Ann Salley Crider, Chaplain General; Brenda Dooley, State Regent; Mary Frisch, Vice President General; Alice Walker. Back Row: Barby Frankenberry, State Regent West Virginia; Kathryn Compton; Shirley Coupal; Pat Carpenter; Sammy Cope; Pamela Wright, State Regent Texas; Cecile Wimberley, National Chair Junior Membership.

and Our State Officers

Front Row: Bonnie Hitchcock, Recording Secretary; Kathryn West, Vice Regent; Brenda Dooley, State Regent; Jean Mowen, Chaplain; Ellen Estes, Organizing Secretary. Back Row: Lynda Fort, Librarian; Dee Marshall, Treasurer; Mary Hoyt, Registrar; Lorene Christin, Historian; Jamie Barton, Reporter. Not pictured: Karen Meredith, Corresponding Secretary.
The Kansas Society

Proudly Presents Our 2015

Outstanding Junior
Susannah Carter
Sagamore Chapter

Outstanding Chapter
Regent
Helen Nahrstedt
The Kansas Society

Presents the District Director and Chapter Regents of the Southwest District


and the Southeast District

The Kansas Society

Presents the District Director and Chapter Regents
of the Northwest District

Front row: Sherrie Smith, Alice Bachard, Brenda Dooley, District Director Susan Metzger. Back row: Ila Morrill, Sherry Koster, April Barker, Carolyn Peterson, Sharon Maurath, Margaret Huffman.

and the Northeast District

Front row: Laura Bond, DeAnne Rose, Brenda Dooley, Kimberly Patrick, Theresa Dominick Back row: JoAnn Lucas, Helen Nahrstedt, Pat Covington, Joyce Wilson, Donna Muller, Bonnie Hitchcock, Carol Millican, Jerry Brees, District Director Marilyn Rockel.
Kentucky Society Daughters of the American Revolution
Honors with Pride

Lynda Williams Closson
Vice President General
2014 ~ 2017
Honorary State Regent
Proud Member of Logan-Whitley Chapter, NSDAR
Celebrating Its Centennial October 20, 2015
Kentucky Society Daughters of the American Revolution
Honors with Pride

Barbara Glass Zink

Kentucky State Regent
2013 ~ 2016

“Proclaim Liberty Throughout the Land Unto All the Inhabitants.” Leviticus 25:10

Proud Member of Big Spring Chapter, NSDAR
Kentucky Society Daughters of the American Revolution Proudly Present

Elisabeth Conrad Chiang
2015 State Outstanding Junior
2015 National Finalist
And
National First Runner-Up
124th Continental Congress June 2015

2015 Kentucky State Conference Pages

(Front Row from L-R) JeanEllen Melton; Paige Mason; Hilary Burns; Carroll Van Hook. (Second Row L-R) Rosannah Stone; Carrie Bowman; Melanie Hunt; Barbara Glass Zink, State Regent; Jessica Zink Grainger; Robin Menefee; Kelly Menefee (Back Row L-R) Amanda Tilsley; Shelby Barnes; Mary-Grace Luscher; Elisabeth Chiang; Morgan Janes; Shelby Ceates; Addison Lowry; Kelley Orme Beverley; Kelly McDaniels
Kentucky Society Daughters of the American Revolution
Proudly Present

State Chairmen of National Committees

(Seated L-R) Gail Rhea, Jessieanne Wells, Honorary State Regent; Lynda Williams Closson, Vice President General; Barbara Glass Zink, State Regent; Claire Long, Honorary State Regent; Ruth Korzenborn; Kay Thomas. (Middle Row L-R) Deanna Beineke, Nancy Hampton, Charlotte Allison, Anna Worthington, Linda Conrad, Pamela Godwin, Cynthia Buttorff, Rita Johnson, Claudia Greenwood, Mary Ann Moore, Ruth Ann Herrington. (Back Row L-R) Leslie Miller, JeanEllen Melton, Carrie Bowman, Elisabeth Chiang, Robin Menefee, Kelly Menefee, Janice Lear, Anissa Davis.

State Chairmen of State Committees

(Seated L-R) Jennifer Spradlin, Lynda Williams Closson, Vice President General; Barbara Glass Zink, State Regent; Donna Hughes, Marjorie Shelton. (Standing) Paige Mason, Cindy Codell, Melanie Hunt, Barbara Smith, Cynthia Buttorff, Carolyn Goodman, Carrie Bowman.
“The Daughters of the American Revolution of Michigan put their Hands Together in Celebration of 125 years!”

Piety Hill Chapter
Birmingham, Michigan
Organized February 15, 1935

Presents with Pride and Affection

Barbara H. Suhay
Piety Hill Chapter Regent
2015 - 2017

Diane M. Schrift
Michigan State Regent
2015 - 2018
Michigan Outstanding Chapter Regent 2003

“Growing our Legacy of Spirit and Service”
“The Daughters of the American Revolution of Michigan put their Hands Together in Celebration of 125 years!”

Michigan Chapters


Michigan State Regent 2015 - 2018

“Growing our Legacy of Spirit and Service”

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“The Daughters of the American Revolution of Michigan put their Hands Together in Celebration of 125 years!”

Louisa St. Clair Chapter
Grosse Pointe, Michigan

Proudly serving DAR and the Detroit Metropolitan community since 1993

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as a “Grand Slam” Donor
to the renovations of the Baseball Diamond
at the Louisa St. Clair DAR Athletic Field

Peggy King Scully, Chapter Regent

“Growing our Legacy of Spirit and Service”
The Nebraska State Society
Daughters of the American Revolution
Kathleen Knott Ocasio, State Regent
2014-2016

Preserving Our Nebraska Heritage, Celebrating the Harvest

"This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."
Psalm 118:24
TENNESSEE SOCIETY DAUGHTERS
are honored to present and support
TENNESSEE STATE REGENT
SUSAN ROGERS THOMAS
As a Candidate for
VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL
At the 125th Continental Congress
June 2016

TENNESSEE STATE CAPITOL – NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE
A masterpiece of Greek Revival architecture, the Tennessee State Capitol stands today much as it did when it first opened. It is one of the oldest working capitols in the United States. This graceful structure of Tennessee marble was designed by noted architect William Strickland who considered it his crowning achievement. It was first occupied by the General Assembly in 1853, although it was unfinished at that time. William Strickland died suddenly during construction in 1854, and was buried in the north façade of the Capitol. His son, Francis, supervised its completion. The cornerstone for the building was laid on July 4, 1845, and it was finished in 1859.

On the grounds are the tombs of President James K. Polk and his wife, Sarah Childress Polk, and statues of Presidents Andrew Jackson and Andrew Johnson, and notable Tennesseans Alvin C. York, Edward Ward Carmack, and Sam Davis.
The Appalachian District is pleased to support **Tennessee State Regent Susan Thomas** as a candidate for the Office of Vice President General 125th Continental Congress - June, 2016

The Tennessee Society presents ~ Tennessee’s Historic Courthouses

Hawkins County Courthouse in Rogersville. This courthouse has been in continual use since 1836; it replaced earlier ones built in 1787 and 1825. Designed by John Dameron, the plan was based upon Jeffersonian styles; it was modeled after the 1818 Botetourt County Courthouse in Virginia. Renovations and additions were made in 1870, 1929, and 2000.

**Legacies of Our Ancestors** Inspiring Our Tomorrows

**TENNESSEE SOCIETY ~ APPALACHIAN DISTRICT**

District Director, Betty Stevens

District Secretary, Kathy Chippendale

**APPALACHIAN DISTRICT CHAPTERS**

- Andrew Bogle
- Ann Robertson
- Bonny Kate
- Cavett Station
- Clinch Bend

- Emory Road
- John Carter
- John Sevier – Sarah Hawkins
- Julius Dugger
- Long Island
- Mary Blount

- Mary Patton
- Nolachuckey
- Samuel Frazier
- Spencer Clack
- State of Franklin
- William Cocke
The Cherokee District proudly presents one of their own Tennessee State Regent Susan Thomas as a candidate for the Office of Vice President General 125th Continental Congress - June, 2016

The Tennessee Society presents ~ Tennessee’s Historic Courthouses

Roane County Courthouse in Kingston. This historic courthouse was built in 1853-1854 using locally handmade brick. It is one of only six antebellum courthouses still standing in Tennessee. During the Civil War, the courthouse was used by both Union and Confederate troops as a hospital. In 1971 the courthouse was placed on the National Historic Registry. After a new county courthouse was completed in 1974, Roane County deeded the Historic Courthouse to the Roane County Heritage Commission. It now houses the Roane County Archives Library and the Roane County Museum of History and Art.

Legacies of Our Ancestors  Inspiring Our Tomorrows

TENNESSEE SOCIETY ~ CHEROKEE DISTRICT
District Director, Shirley Smith   District Secretary, Carol Rogers

CHEROKEE DISTRICT CHAPTERS
Alexander Keith   General William Lenoir   Moccasin Bend
Avery Trace   Hiwassee   Nancy Ward
Chickamauga   Judge David Campbell   Rhea-Craig
Chief John Ross   Southest Point

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The Chickasaw District is pleased to support

**TENNESSEE STATE REGENT SUSAN THOMAS**

as a candidate for the Office of Vice President General
125th Continental Congress - June, 2016

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The Tennessee Society presents ~ Tennessee’s Historic Courthouses

Hardeman County Courthouse in Bolivar. This courthouse was built in 1824. It is the earliest surviving courthouse in West Tennessee and is said to be one of only three log courthouses left in the U. S. It was originally a two story 20ft by 30ft log building and contained a courthouse downstairs and jail room above. When more room was needed the building was sold and moved several blocks down for a family home. The house was sold to the county in 1967 and was restored and is now known as The Little Courthouse Museum.

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**Legacies of Our Ancestors** 🌟 **Inspiring Our Tomorrows**

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**TENNESSEE SOCIETY ~ CHICKASAW DISTRICT**

District Director, Carol Boscaccy

District Secretary, Ivy Koster

**CHICKASAW DISTRICT CHAPTERS**

Chickasaw Bluff
Chief Piomingo
Chucalissa
Clement-Scott
Colonel Joseph Hardin
Commodore Perry
David Craig

Fort Prudhomme
Glover’s Trace
Hatchie
Henderson Station
Hermitage
Jackson-Madison
James Buckley

John Babb
Key Corner
Reelfoot
River City
Watauga
We-Ah-Tah-Umba
Zachariah Davies

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The Cumberland District is pleased to support
Tennessee State Regent Susan Thomas
as a candidate for the Office of Vice President General
125th Continental Congress - June, 2016

The Tennessee Society presents ~ Tennessee’s Historic Courthouses
Robertson County Courthouse in Springfield. The first courthouse was built of hand-hewn logs in 1799. The center section of the current courthouse building was constructed in 1879 with red brick. The North and South wings and central clock tower were added in 1929 and covered with the brick now visible. The courthouse property was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1978.

Legacies of Our Ancestors Inspiring Our Tomorrows

TENNESSEE SOCIETY ~ CUMBERLAND DISTRICT
District Director, Elizabeth King
District Secretary, Emily Robinson

CUMBERLAND DISTRICT CHAPTERS

Brigadier Gen. Richard Winn
Buffalo River
Campbell
Captain William Edminston
Charlotte Reeves Robertson
Colonel Jethro Sumner
Cumberland
Duck River
Fort Nashborough

French Lick
Gen. Daniel Smiths Rock Castle
General Francis Nash
General James Robertson
General William Lee Davidson
Gideon Carr
Jane Knox
John Nolen

Margaret Gaston
Old Glory
Old Reynoldsburgh
Rachel Stockley Donelson
Robert Cooke
Sarah Polk
Tenassee
Travellers Rest
William Branch Giles
The Sequoyah District is pleased to support
Tennessee State Regent Susan Thomas
as a candidate for the Office of Vice President General
125th Continental Congress - June, 2016

The Tennessee Society presents ~ Tennessee’s Historic Courthouses

Rutherford County Courthouse in Murfreesboro. One of only six antebellum courthouses still in service in Tennessee. Built in 1859, it still serves as the administrative headquarters for the county government. It is the third courthouse to sit on this location. The first was built in 1813, the second in 1825. The Union army used the Courthouse as an observation tower and signaling post during the Civil War; the Confederacy also used it as their headquarters for a time.

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TENNESSEE SOCIETY ~ SEQUOYAH DISTRICT
District Director, Nancy Allen District Secretary, Jill Jones-Lazuka

SEQUOYAH DISTRICT CHAPTERS
Caney Fork Kings Mountain Messenger
Captain William Lytle Old Walton Road
Colonel Hardy Murfree Robert Lewis
General James Winchester Rock House

Shelby
Stones River
The Crab-Orchard
Tullahoma

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District One
Virginia
Daughters of the American Revolution

Colonial Houses of Virginia Beach

Adam Thoroughgood, who indentured himself to come to the colonies, obtained the land where this house stands in 1636. Built by a grandson, this building was once thought to be the oldest brick structure in Virginia. The house was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1966, and the Virginia Landmarks Register in 1959.

The Francis Land House (also known as Rose Hall) is thought to have been built about 1804. Its staff maintains a period vegetable garden on the beautifully manicured grounds, which include an asparagus bed, flax garden, herb garden and a "pleasure garden."

Six generations of the Francis Land family lived and worked in the coastal plantation home just off the Pine Tree branch of the Lynnhaven River.

The historic structure, known to local residents as the Lynnhaven House, was built by the Thelaball family in 1725. The 19th century burial ground of the Boush family stands watch to the south of the house that family also once owned.

For many years, this house was referred to as the Wishart House or the Boush House. 

The Regents of District I
Adam Thoroughgood Chapter: Audrey Skutnik; Charles Parish Chapter: Mary Ann Philyaw; Chesapeake Chapter: Teri Michelle Jones; Colonel William Allen Chapter: Deborah Cupp; Comte de Grasse Chapter: Kim Claytor; Constantia Chapter: Bonnie Roblin; Eastern Shore of Virginia Chapter: Diana Wyatt; For: Nelson Chapter: Wanda Russo; Four Flags Chapter: Sharon Magyar; Francis Land Chapter: Elizabeth Farr; Great Bridge Chapter: Emily Holmes; Hampton Chapter: Carolyn Knight; Lynnhaven Parish Chapter: Vicki Kendall; Newport News-Warwick Chapter: Julia Lloyd; Northampton County Chapter: Claiborne Dickinson; Princess Anne County Chapter: Sylvia Ryder

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District II Daughters salute

our
Historian General
Bana Weems Caskey

and our
District Officers & Chapter Regents

1st Row
Bonnie Ossa, Regent, Chancellor Wythe; Cathy Quinn, Vice Director, District II; Hilary Clare, Director, District II; Barbara Ashburn, Secretary, District II; Amanda Atkinson, Regent, Old Dominion

2nd Row
Wanda Deitemeyer, Regent, Spotsylvania; Anita Tadlock, Regent, Cobbs Hall; Katie Moffett, Regent, Commonwealth; Jane Stewart, Regent, Williamsburg; Middy Morris, Regent, Chantilly

Not Pictured:
Elizabeth Burgess, Chaplain, District II; Dolly Crowder, Treasurer, District II; Paula Greene, Regent, Nathaniel Bacon; Anne Atkinson, Regent, Colonel John Banister; Elaine Pollard, Regent, Bermuda Hundred; Bonnie Howell, Regent, William Byrd

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Virginia District III

Celebrating Good Women

President General Lynn Forney Young and Virginia State Regent Virginia Sebastian Storage

District Officers and Chapter Regents

2013-2016 District III Officers
District Director – Cyndi Fein
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Chaplain – Dana Campbell
Secretary – Jane Snider
Treasurer – Elaine Poliey

2013-2016 Chapter Regents
Amherst – Dana Campbell
Berryman Green – Nancy Chandler
Blue Ridge – Lorri Girling
Colonel Charles Lynch – Linda Williams
Dorothea Henry – Andrea Scearce
James Allen – Ann Thomas
James River – Penny Swisher
John Lynch – Eleanor Casler
Judith Randolph-Longwood – Lynne Pridgen
Lynchburg – Melanie Campbell
Poplar Forest – Kate Gray
Red Hill – Elizabeth Scott
Thomas Carter – Diane Moon
William Taylor – Sheila Amos
Virginia Daughters of the American Revolution
Celebrating
District IV Regents

DISTRICT IV REGENTS

Appalachian Trail-Martha G. Musser       Levisa River-Camellia C. Reece
Black's Fort-Carol M. Graybeal           Lovelady-Ruth E. Gilliam
Boone Trail-Margaret H. Craft            Major George Gibson-Nancy W. Britton
Count Pulaski-Donna F. Thornton          Royal Oak-Mary Alice G. Hardin
Fort Chiswell-Susan Tanner               Sandy Basin-Kathleen M. Dingus
Fort Maiden Spring-Mary B. Chaplewsiki   Stuart-Wilderness Road-Elizabeth J. Trevillian
George Pearis-Vickie Green               Tabitha Adams Russell-Margaret T. Combs

Katherine J. McClelland, District Director
Virginia Daughters of the American Revolution
District V
Proudly Honor
Holly Lynne McKinley Schmidt
2015 National Outstanding Junior

Sponsoring Chapters
Anna Maria Fitzhugh ~~ Arlington House ~~ Bill of Rights ~~ Cameron Parish ~~ Dr. Elisha Dick
Elizabeth McIntosh Hammill ~~ Fairfax County ~~ Falls Church ~~ Falls of the Rappahannock ~~ Fort Loudoun
Freedom Hill ~~ George Mason ~~ Henry Clay ~~ John Alexander ~~ Kate Waller Barrett ~~ Ketoctin ~~ Lane’s Mill
Mount Vernon ~~ Nelly Custis ~~ Overwharton Parish ~~ Pentagon ~~ Prince William Resolves ~~ Providence
Stone Bridge ~~ Thomas Lee ~~ Thomas Nelson ~~ Washington-Lewis
Virginia Daughters of the American Revolution, District V
Proudly Recognize the Project of
Virginia State Regent Virginia Sebastian Storage

The State Regent’s Project is to provide funding to The George Washington Foundation to underwrite a room on the first floor of the replica 1740 Washington House, George Washington’s boyhood home, now known as Ferry Farm. The estimated cost is $150,000. More than $120,000 has been raised to date by Virginia Daughters and will be matched by a generous private grant.

Archaeologists have located and excavated the remains of the long-sought house where George Washington was raised and Mary Ball Washington, his widowed mother, ruled. The George Washington Foundation has undertaken a landmark campaign to make Ferry Farm a destination for tourists and students alike.

Part of the multi-faceted campaign is the reconstruction of a highly accurate replica of the Washington family house where visitors will be allowed to freely explore as a part of a truly engaging educational experience. In addition to accurate furnishings and details, costumed interpreters will also inhabit the space to engage visitors, bringing the human element to the entire process.

State Regent Virginia Storage has presented The George Washington Foundation President Bill Garner with funds raised by her State Regent’s Project and participated in the groundbreaking ceremony at the site of George Washington’s boyhood home.
Virginia Daughters of the American Revolution

District VI

2015 State Conference

Front Row L-R: Courtenay Stanley, Montpelier Chapter; Delores Lackovitch, Shenandoah River Chapter; Beverly Alexander, District VI Director; Betty Wade, Colonel Thomas Hughart Chapter.
Second row: Mary Owen, Shadwell Chapter; Euxine Faix, Point of Fork Chapter; Susannah Larner, Augusta Parish Chapter; Luvenia Rogers, Albemarle Chapter.
Third row: Carolyn Smith, Sarah Murray Lewis Chapter; Mary Ann Cowherd, Culpeper Minute Men Chapter; Linda Dinsmore, Massanutten Chapter; Diane Inman, Jack Jouett Chapter.
Forth row: Susan Walls, Narrow Passage Chapter: Sharon MacDonald, Louisa Court House Chapter.

Chapter Regents

Albemarle - Luvenia Rogers
Augusta Parish - Susannah Larner
Beverley Manor - Mary Ann Stripling
Colonel James Patton - Mary Fammin
Colonel Thomas Hughart - Betty Wade
Culpeper Minute Men - Mary Ann Cowherd
Fauquier Court House - Jeanette Irby
Jack Jouett - Diane Inman
John Rhodes - Barbara Mozisek
Louisa Court House - Sharon MacDonald
Massanutten - Linda Dinsmore

Montpelier - Courtenay T. Stanley
Narrow Passage - Susan Walls
Natural Bridge - Garnette Teass
Point of Fork - Elizabeth G. Holland
Rainbow Ridge - Jeanette Deardorff
Sarah Murray Lewis - Carolyn Smith
Shadwell - Mary D. Owen
Shenandoah River - Dolores Lackovitch
Susannah Chandler - Martha Sukites
Virginia Frontier - Hope Bird
Virginia Daughters of the American Revolution
District VI

Donations included:

- Warm ups
- Hoodies
- Gloves & Hats
- Lap Blankets
- Diabetic socks
- Depends
- Coffee & Cookies
- Puzzles & books
- Bus tokens
- More than $2,000 donated in all!

District VI Daughters Support Veterans at our local VA Clinics

“Celebrating Good Women—
May We Know Them,
May We Be Them,
May We Raise Them.”
~Virginia State Theme
Virginia District VII

Good Women

May We Be Them
Join the C.A.R. along the Road to Independence

The N.S.C.A.R., founded in 1895, is the oldest patriotic youth organization in our country.

The 2015 – 2016 National President, Erin Jackson, leads the National Project - the “First Oval Office” permanent exhibit at the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia, PA. It will showcase George Washington’s marquee tent used as his traveling headquarters during the Revolutionary War along the Road to Independence.

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Teach your children & grandchildren service and patriotism with C.A.R. Consider membership today!
“Today’s DAR, Something for Everyone”

SUSAN LITTLEFIELD HAINES
STATE REGENT 2014-2016

Scripture: “Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s Grace in its various forms.” 1:Peter 4:10
WYOMING STATE SOCIETY
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Celebrates its 100th Annual State Conference

in historic Sheridan, May 28 through 30, 2015

American Heritage Contest June 2014
Wyoming First Place Winner
for Machine Quilted
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Heidi Heuerman

STATE REGENT SUSAN LITTLEFIELD HAINES PRESIDING
1941 World War II 2016

75th Anniversary Calendar

- 12 stamps issued between 1941 and 1948 are digitally enlarged 785% in true color! Each is suitable for framing!
- Calendar opens up to 11x17! 1½” square white spaces allow you to write down what you are doing each day! Keep it as a family heirloom!
- An educational tool for you, your children and grandchildren!
- Shows full moons and their times in 2016!
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- Everyone needs a calendar! Right? Make it this one!
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If you’re successful, you might just become the Rock Stars of the DAR Magazine, the title bestowed on the chapter that wins the Spread the American Spirit Subscription Contest. Find contest details about eligibility and prizes on the DAR Magazine Committee website at www.dar.org/members/darmagazine.

With a subscription percentage of 307, Come and Take It Chapter, Bryan, Texas, led by Chapter Regent Pamela Marshall, came and took the subscription contest grand prize for the second consecutive year. In addition to claiming the contest trophy at Congress, the grand prize package includes a private tour of the President General’s Reception Room for chapter members attending Congress and the chance to serve as guest editor of one issue of American Spirit by suggesting a story idea and selecting the cover. Come and Take It Chapter members will be guest editors of the November/December 2015 issue—watch for their chosen feature story and cover pick!

Congratulations to the chapters rounding out the 2014 subscription contest top five: John Bartram Chapter, Fla., 152 percent; Claverack Chapter, N.J., 146 percent; Lillicum Chapter, Wash., 139 percent; and Irvine Ranch Chapter, Calif., 133 percent.

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