



FALL 2013

Mrs. Barbara A. Halpin
Iowa State Regent 2012-2014
Hands of Friendship Working
Together to Build Membership

Dear Iowa Daughters,

The Iowa Society had a large group participate in the Iowa State Fair Parade. Iowa C.A.R. and SAR joined our three convertibles and one pick-up in the parade. There was also a display and information booth at the fair and chairmen Iowa State Fair Chairmen Judy McNamara and Susan Harris did an outstanding job of pulling it all together. The walkers at times were a very interesting drill team. Some of us met at Judy's home and had a thrilling ride in the back of the pick-up to and from the parade route. This officer rode in one of the convertibles in the parade.

Board of Management was well attended and the officers and chairmen gave important information and guidance for the start of a new year for the chapters. Some committees will need immediate attention when you start your new year. These committees are American History Essay Contest, Christopher Columbus Essay Contest, Constitution Week, DAR Good Citizens, and DAR Scholarship. Contact the schools early to inform the teacher and students of the details. The state chairman gave details on the CD given to all Chapter Regents at Board of Management. Chapter Regents also received the National Information Packet by mail and it is the regent's responsibility to forward this necessary information to their chapter chairmen .

The President General Lynn Young has added a new committee, Celebrate America. The state chairman for Iowa is Briana Johnson and she will be introducing the committee in this Newsletter and inform you how your members can record their volunteer hours to reach the goal set by President General Young. This new committee can use the help from all chapter members.

State Tour is just a few days away and for those that are not able to travel the distance to Ames for Board of Management in August and State Conference in April now have the opportunity to attend a meeting in their area and close to home. The State Officers spend their time and pay their own expenses to bring the information to the chapters and members.

The State Officers hope you will attend a State Tour meeting during the week of September 17-20. Walk-ins are welcome.

When you are planning your new year make sure you include setting goals for your chapter. Ask your chairmen to set goals for their committees. Busy chapters are healthy chapters.

Hands of Friendship Working Together to Build Membership

Barbara Halpin
State Regent



WELCOME NEW IOWA MEMBERS!!!

"Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded"
2 Chronicles 15:7

Abigail Adams Chapter

Norma Ahlers
Wendy Diekema
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Edith Nekola

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Marion-Linn Chapter

Helen Shelton**

Mayflower Chapter

Debra Allison
Betty Campbell
Duella Farmer

Nathaniel Fellows

Michaella Garringer**

Priscilla Alden Chapter

Maggie Feldmann**

Spinning Wheel Chapter

Judy D. Jurgensen

Stars & Stripes Chapter

Bonnie Murphy

Sun Dial Chapter

Susan Andrade

*** indicates Junior Member*



Celebrate America! Committee

This committee has been newly formed so that we may honor our heritage as we "Celebrate America!" through our combined **community service** efforts.

The committee will:

- demonstrate to the general public and prospective members as well as to current DAR members the vitality of today's DAR and its service organization mission.
- support the motto of the NSDAR of "God, Home and Country" and promote historic preservation, education and patriotism.
- exhibit the array of positive volunteer opportunities associated with DAR membership.
- further engage members in meaningful service work within the Society's mission areas.
- encourage members to discover the rewards that come from volunteerism and the impact they can make in their communities.

The challenge is for members to "Celebrate America" by investing a combined total of *one million* hours of community service during each of the three years of the Young Administration. All members should get started now and record their community service hours performed since January 1st this year!

More information about this new committee is being sent out to Iowa Chapters. If you have any questions, please contact this Iowa State Chairman!

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PROTOCOL POINT

Parliamentary Procedure – Parliamentarian

The National Parliamentarian is appointed by the President General, with the approval of the Executive Committee; the State Parliamentarian by the State Regent, with the approval of the State Executive Committee and the Chapter Parliamentarian by the Chapter Regent, with the approval of the Chapter or the Chapter Executive Board.

The Parliamentarian is a consultant on parliamentary procedure, helping to expedite meetings in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Special Rules of Order, and the adopted parliamentary authority (*Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*).

The Parliamentarian is an important person to the Regent to guide her with the order of business in the Regent's agenda. For DAR meetings the Parliamentarian will sit near the presiding officer so that advice may be given quickly and quietly.

The Parliamentarian cannot be an officer as she should remain neutral and therefore does not vote except on a ballot vote.

IMPORTANT NOTE: REGENTS, be sure your Parliamentarian has a copy of your agenda for the meeting so she can follow along and respond quickly if you forget an item in your agenda or need a question answered.

ALSO NOTE that your Recording Secretary should have a copy of your agenda so that she can insert notes at each item of business to be able to write complete and accurate minutes. This is part of the fundamental principles of protocol that are dictated by ethics, courtesy, good manners and common sense for recognizing those who are also in positions of leadership and are helping you.

Nola Gottschalk, Protocol Chairman

Outstanding Teacher Contest Deadline — November 15th

Your chapter by now is no doubt working on your submission of a teacher in your area for the Outstanding Teacher of American History Contest. The person selected is honored at State Conference. If you have not done so by now, please select your teacher as soon as possible since there is an early deadline for submissions to me of NOV. 15. Forms & instructions for this contest are available at the NSDAR website: <http://members.dar.org/forms> and publications/historian general. While there, also check out other important information on the marking of member's graves and the DAR History Award Medal.

Pamela Marvin
Iowa State Historian

**** Please note the updated email contact listed at left for Iowa State Historian Pamela Marvin & Iowa State Librarian Diane Hobson ****

THE IOWA ROOM: OUR CORNER IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

Featured in this issue is the Eli Terry scroll and pediment shelf clock adorning the wall of the Iowa Room. Although sans weights and right pulley cord and no longer in working order, it is a prime example of the artistry of such timekeeping pieces. Eli Terry (1772-1852), a Plymouth, Connecticut clock-maker, patented his shelf clock mechanism and is known for introducing mass production to clock making. His innovations made clocks affordable to the average American citizen. Our clock, sometimes referred to as a bracket clock, was produced circa 1820, and is of pillar and scroll design with brass escapements. The glass panel in the bottom is painted on the reverse side, illustrating a homestead scene reminiscent of Mount Vernon. The height is 31-1/2 inches and the width 15-1/2 inches.

When the clock appeared on the DAR Museum's "Adopt-an-Object" list, Iowa Daughters declared it was NOT an orphan! In 1995, funds remaining from the State Regent Project 1992-1994 (Iowa Room Renovation) allowed for necessary conservation. In 2001, a period-appropriate shelf for the clock was handcrafted in a mahogany vertical grained veneer by Period Designs of Yorktown, Virginia. This project was funded from the 1992-1994 project and the Iowa Society DAR.

Florence Clapp Cunningham, member of Mayflower Chapter, Cedar Rapids, generously donated the clock to the museum. The clock belonged originally to Isaac Beals of Avon, Massachusetts, her grandfather. Iowa Room records do not reflect the date of donation.

Please note: Hope you did not miss this! In the July/August issue of our national newsletter (p. 272), the DAR Museum Featured Object subject was none other than the Iowa Room's own portrait of Captain Oliver Blanchard. The story is fascinating, and more research is being done. Please watch this series for more on the dashing Captain Blanchard.

Sara Jane Harwood
Iowa Room Chairman



ATTENTION CHAPTER TREASURERS.....

Chapter Cash Contributions are due to the ISDAR State Treasurer by December 1. Please send a chapter check payable to ISDAR and your cash contributions worksheet before the due date. Mail these items to Linda Hopkins, ISDAR Treasurer, 804 7th Avenue, Shenandoah, Iowa 51601.

ISDAR State Dues remain at \$5 per member and are due before December 1. Please send a chapter check payable to ISDAR along with a note listing any recently deceased members, resigned members, or dropped members that you are not sending dues for. Mail them to Linda Hopkins, ISDAR Treasurer, 804 7th Avenue, Shenandoah, Iowa 51601.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

I hope to see many of you on District Tour!

Linda Hopkins

Winter Submission Deadline December 2, 2013

Send your email submissions to:

iowadarnews@alpinecom.net and BAH922@aol.com

**Send your postal submission to: Julie Davis, ISDAR Editor
34132 Buck Creek Road
Garnavillo, IA 52049-8228**

We are all women and we all have issues SO
Enter the Women's Issues Essay Contest!

Have you experienced a health, career, or family issue? Then you are invited to participate in the Women's Issues Essay Contest! I know this is exciting, but only one essay per member per year will be accepted.

Here are the rules:

- ⇒ Essay must be titled, typed, and no more than 1800 words. All words count and only essays will be accepted.
- ⇒ A cover page must give the member's name, chapter, national number, address, telephone number, email address (if available), essay title, and category (family, career, or health). Any submission failing to meet the requirements will be disqualified.
- ⇒ All entries must reach your state Women's Issues chairman by her deadline (March 1). She will send the best entry from each category to her respective division vice chairman by April 1.

The division vice chairman will select the best essay from each category from all received and send the selected entries to the corresponding national vice chairman of Family, Career, or Health. Winners will be announced at Continental Congress.

Find more information and past winning essays on the NSDAR Members Only web site.

Please send your essay before March 1, 2014 to:

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WASHINGTON CHAPTER

The Washington Chapter met for a Downton Abbey style brunch on May 4 at the home of Julie Mangold. State Regent Barbara Halpin and Washington Chapter Regent's daughter Mary Downing were guests. Many members came dressed in period costumes. Included in the program was the installation of new officers.

The chapter is planning a Downton Abbey Tea Fundraiser for this coming December 7th at the Washington Library. Funds raised go to help repair and maintain the Alexander Log House in Sunset Park.



THANK YOU!

The want ad from Open Prairie for a stove for our Log Cabin resulted in two responses, Susie Kisner, thanks anyway Susie...and Marilyn Owen. In addition to the stove, several items were also donated by Iowa State Regent Barbara Halpin on behalf of Hannah Caldwell Chapter.

We will look pretty spiffy for our Prairie Days at the museum on September 14th. Everyone is welcome....Hwy 38 North edge of Tipton, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



IOWA C.A.R. Project Update....

Iowa C.A.R. President David Ehmcke has chosen the bridges of Madison county as this year's Iowa C.A.R. project. The pin shown at left is being sold by Iowa C.A.R.

members and their SR leaders to raise funds to purchase paint to give these historical landmarks a new coat of paint. These bridges have not been given a fresh coat in over 10 years! If you would like to purchase the pin to help raise funds or would like to make a contribution to help for this project, please contact your local C.A.R. chapter or David Ehmcke at ehmckecrew@cableone.net or 712-266-0378.

Historical markers are refreshed by Abigail Adams Chapter

A “baker’s dozen” from the Abigail Adams Chapter participated June 22 in rededication ceremonies for DAR’s five historical markers in downtown Des Moines. The project began two years ago, when Bill Sherman, a long-time Polk County preservationist, contacted member Sara Jane Harwood. He proposed that we clean up our historic monument near the I-Cubs ballpark. Construction of the Principal Riverwalk, a weekly Farmers Market on Court Avenue, and the extension of M. L. King Parkway, all contribute much higher visibility of the monument. We agreed it was high time it be restored to an honorable visage! Over the ensuing months, Mrs. Harwood worked with Mr. Sherman and Pete Sixbey, a conservationist at the Iowa State Historical Society. Now, it was time to tour the sites, inspect the work, and rededicate markers placed by our predecessors!

The first two markers flank a monument beside the river on South Water Street. These mark the original Fort Des Moines and the Dragoon Trail.

Sara Jane Harwood gave us some background about the historical marker and the reason it was placed.

Regent Nedra Markham and Chaplain Sandra Durby performed the NSDAR ritual. This was done at each site.

Then, members enjoyed a talk by Mr. Sherman about “The Birthplace of Des Moines”. He included information about the colorful tile mural along the I-Cubs parking lot. After his formal talk, Mr. Sherman opened the historical cabin, between the mural and our monument, for members to view.

Next, the Chapter caravan crossed the river



and proceeded to the Grand Avenue bridge by City Hall. Here, in 1933, Abigail Adams marked the city’s first ferry, first pontoon bridge, and first toll bridge. This monument is a 3-ton pink granite boulder, engraved, and embellished with a bronze NSDAR insignia.



Hoyt Sherman Place, on Woodland Avenue. This elegant mansion cum theater is used almost daily as an event venue. In 1926, the Chapter planted a tree in memory of Henry C. Wallace, a city founder and national figure who had recently died. The site is marked with a small boulder bearing a bronze plate.



Last marker on the road trip is at 9th and Locust St. This bronze tablet commemorates Des Moines’ first public school.

At left: Sara Jane Harwood, Sandra Harne, Shirley Kuebrich, Nancy Appel, Laura Kozin, Wilma Richards, Virginia Geary, Andi Summy, Faith Sherman, Kristine Winber, Bill Sherman, Jo Barnes Watson, Nedra Markham, Sharil Van Note, and Sandra Durby

From a cooler-full of bottled water, to folding chairs to share, to speakers, photographer, and caravan drivers, many hands pitched in to create a very pleasant experience, and to honor the work of those who came before us in the Chapter.

Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter generations of stitches.....

Nancy McKay Harsh member, Jolene Thompson Richardson currently lives in Franklin, Tennessee but she presented the program for the July Nancy McKay Harsh meeting, "Generations of Seamstresses". Jolene's grandmother was a professional seamstress, and her mother, (Jessie Thompson, chapter DAR member) did the sewing for her family of nine children. They passed the love of sewing on to Jolene. In the picture at right, Jolene is wearing the dress her mother Jessie had made for herself for her 25th wedding anniversary in 1969.

The picture in front of Jolene is of the Thompson family taken for the occasion, and Jessie is wearing the dress. The picture was hand tinted and did not show the correct colors. it was a Vogue pattern and is very much in style today. It fit Jolene perfectly. The white dress on the form was made and worn by Jolene's grandmother of which Jolene had a picture of her grandma wearing the dress. Jolene has two daughters, both members of Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter, and these are their dolls. Jolene made dresses for the girls and look a likes for their dolls. The girls dresses were also shown. The picture in front of the dolls are the girls holding their dolls. Jolene had many dresses made by her grandmother, mother Jessie and by Jolene herself. Her grandmother was a professional seamstress and had taught Jolene how to sew. One especially interesting one (you can see the green article behind the dolls) is a fancy little dress made of green crepe paper with a feed sack backing, made by Jessie's mother for her when she was about in 3rd grade. The school had a May Day festival and Jessie wore this dress as she danced around the May pole. Of course there was a picture of her taken at the time. Nickie, Jolene's daughter was with her and she carried the dresses and pictures around to show the members as Jolene talked about each article. Jolene's mother Jessie had entered lots of the dresses and pictures in the county fair and with each entry had written a little story about the article and the person that made it. She normally got a blue ribbon. She had saved the articles, pictures and stories all together and Jolene had them all. She lives in Tennessee and could not bring everything, but she had a wonderful collection with her. She told many interesting stories about her family of seamstresses. It was a wonderful program!



Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter Volunteers

Barbara Bellizzi, Monica Plummer, Judy McNamara, Jean Beardsley, Jean Baker, Edee Brunia and Rosie Hulet kick started JMC's Celebrate America Community Service hours volunteering for Meals from the Heartland August 31th at Hy-Vee Hall in Des Moines, Iowa. They contributed to 32 finished boxes that equals 36 packets a box and each packet provides a meal for 6 people. These 6,912 meals will be distributed here in Iowa, North America or somewhere in the world to alleviate life-threatening hunger.



Abigail Adams Chapter nominee awarded NSDAR Historic Preservation Medal

Gerald A. LaBlanc, a 20+ year volunteer at Des Moines' Woodland Cemetery, has received the National Society's Historic Preservation Medal. Preservation, education and restoration has been Mr. LaBlanc's mission. This retired teacher has given hundreds of tours to students and civic groups; he has organized restoration of grave stones of Civil War and World War I servicemen; and has been a vigorous fundraiser for this historic treasure. Established in 1848, the 47-acre Woodland Cemetery comprises 27,000 graves, including those of three Real Daughters, whose monuments display the NSDAR insignia and designation. The City of Des Moines honored Mr. LaBlanc in a ceremony June 8th to dedicate a new "antique" archway at the entrance, and unveil a plaque recognizing his service. Abigail Adams Vice Regent Laura Kozin spoke on behalf of the chapter, announcing the NSDAR award. Also participating were past president Iowa SAR Mike Rowley, color guard from Co. A 49th IA Veteran Volunteer Infantry Regiment, and the City Brass Quintet.

At right: Abigail Adams members gather round to celebrate the successful NSDAR nomination. Seated with Gerald LaBlanc is Regent Nedra Markham. Standing are (from left) Kristine Winber, Laura Kozin, Mary Hilger, Kathryn Smith, Marcia Williams, Sharil Van Note, Andi Summy, Shirley Kuebrich and Sara Jane Harwood.



Buena Vista Chapter



From learning about the preservation of historic seeds at the Boyer Gardens and walking paths through prairie grasses to awarding Holly Keenan of St. Mary's school a Good Citizen, this chapter has been busy! In addition to these events, Chapter Regent Ruth Stark and member Adeline Appleseth (above right) participated in the Memorial Day Service held in Storm Lake on May 27th. In June, members learned about the Eagle Scout project of Boy Scout Alan Robinson to earn his Eagle Scout. (above left)



James Harlan Chapter

decorated two windows of the Winfield Museum. The display commemorated Flag Day and the 4th of July. Also displayed were items recognizing NSDAR, the James Harlan chapter members and members of the former Winfield chapter. Judy Rawson prepared the display.

Hannah Lee Chapter Tour...

Members of Hannah Lee Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution toured three northeast Iowa locations on August 3rd. These areas had been marked as significant historic sites by the organization. Each is commemorated with a bronze plaque. At each stop, Becky McCabe, Vice-Regent of the chapter gave a brief presentation about the site.

St. Anthony of Padua Church near Festina was the first stop on the tour. The tiny chapel with seating for four is located in Winneshiek County is known as the "world's smallest church". The plaque there is located on a large boulder near the back of the cemetery. It was placed in 1925 by the Waucoma Chapter of DAR and bears the inscription, "Johann Gaertner fought with Napoleon Bonaparte at Moscow and Waterloo". Gaertner and his family built the chapel in 1885 to fulfill a promise made by his mother in 1790 that if he survived the Napoleonic War in Russia she would have



a chapel erected in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary in thanksgiving for his life.

The second spot visited by the group was at Dunham's Grove Cemetery southwest of West Union. Located in the older part of the cemetery is the burial place of Emily Carter. It is marked by a tall red granite memorial. The bronze plaque affixed to the memorial is inscribed "REAL DURGHTER" and bears the DAR symbol. Mrs. Carter who died in 1908 was the daughter of a revolutionary war patriot and as a DAR member is referred to as a "Real Daughter". She was a member of the Wenonah Chapter DAR and the plaque was placed by Hannah Lee Chapter on the behalf of the Wenonah Chapter.



The final stop on the tour was at the site of the first log cabin built by white settlers in Fayette County in 1840. Located north of Fayette, the bronze plaque is mounted on a boulder and surrounded by a semi-circular wall of large rocks build up to a height of three feet and by native vegetation. The inscription reads, "This marks the site of the first cabin in Fayette County. Here Franklin Wilcox built a home." The plaque at this historical site was put in place in 1940 by the DAR Chapters Waucoma, Hannah Lee and Wapsipinicon.



JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP is the topic!

Hannah Lee Chapter met September 7 at McCaffrey's Dolce Vita in Decorah. Special guest was Iowa Junior Membership & Sales Chairman, Jodi Freet of Gilbertville, member of Cedar Falls Chapter. Ms. Freet gave a power point presentation entitled "DAR Juniors and Paging". Juniors are DAR members in the 18 – 35 year age group and they have an organization of their own within DAR. She revealed that pages assist in any way possible at state conventions and the NSDAR Continental Congress to help make these events run smoothly. Paging is a way to actively engage DAR members of this age in service to DAR. Jodi has served as a page at Iowa and other state events as well as being a national page at two Continental Congresses. Iowa Juniors are active in fund raising and charity through the Helen Pouch Fund and the support of DAR schools through sales of a variety of patriotic jewelry available to DAR members and other items and the collection of Boxtops, Campbell's soup labels & ink cartridges which benefit our DAR schools.

Jean Marie Cardinell Honors Vietnam Veterans

Edee Brunia, Regent



Much to my delight, I asked member Candy Brown to organize a wonderful new Commemorative Event beginning to get recognition nationally and she accepted the beginning of August. Candy was been very ill and having a slow recovery, but I thought this was something she could do for our chapter from home. It can initially all be done on the computer and she filed the papers the second week of August. The event is the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War. The official title is, "A Grateful Nation Thanks and Honors Our Vietnam War Veterans". It cost no money!

At the 2013 Continental Congress our President General was presented a beautiful colorful flag that I knew I wanted to get for our chapter, but the only way to find out about it was online and I had to wait until I got home to look up information! We have asked through our Chapter to become a Commemorative Partner.

We will be required to have 2 events a year (i.e. parades) something we already do. A Commemorative Partner is presented the flag that can be carried in the parades. How neat is that? It will touch so many lives and honor our men and women who served during the Vietnam era. My husband was one of them and, if you remember, these men and women didn't get much praise when they returned. I see this as an opportunity to honor these Veterans, because all who served our country are important to our freedom no matter the time frame in which they served. The official year is 2015, but if you look at history this conflict started much earlier than 50 years ago and it touched many lives both overseas and here at home. Before the month of August was over, our chapter had received our official certificate making us a Commemorative Partner and the beautiful flag shown below. This is a very worthwhile project for all Iowa Chapters and it costs no money, just some chapter volunteer time, to honor our Vietnam Veterans!

Please view the website at www.vietnamwar50th.com



Revolutionary Dames Chapter

Karen Brandt of the Revolutionary Dames Chapter, Waverly represented DAR at the annual Memorial Day Service, May 27, 2013.

Because of inclement weather, the program was held in the local Middle School Auditorium. A wreath was placed in honor of all veterans who have given their lives while protecting the freedom of our United States.



COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS...

OUR OPPORTUNITY TO THANK OUR COMMUNITY LEADERS

Every community is blessed with volunteer leaders who will give enormous amounts of time to projects that would never succeed without their invaluable commitment of time, talent and financial support. One such community leader is Gretchen Otis from Boone, IA. DeShon Chapter honored her with a Community Service Award to show appreciation for her efforts in keeping accurate records, addresses and phone numbers of the people who have lived in Boone, graduated from high school there, and beyond. She shares this information with members of the Boone and Boone Area High Schools when they are planning class reunions.

Every chapter can give two C.S.A.s each year. NSDAR has made the process so much easier and less expensive by requiring only one copy of the documentation to be sent to the State Chairman who determines the completeness of the entry. Then the application form and a \$7.00 chapter check is sent on to order the certificate and pin from the NSDAR Store, requiring just one first class mail stamp. The process moves along quickly too, so you may receive the certificate and pin in a just a few days. There is no deadline for applying for the C.S.A. I am looking forward to having my mailbox full as EVERY CHAPTER participates in this opportunity to honor one or two of YOUR COMMUNITY LEADERS WHO MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY VOLUNTEERING!

Dorothy Crooks, ISDAR Community Service Committee Chairman
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DeShon Chapter Regent Melissa Franks, far right, and Community Service Committee Chairman Dorothy Crooks, far left present award to Gretchen Otis.

ISDAR loves a parade.....

Thank you to all the Iowa Daughters and others that joined us to show our DAR Spirit marching in the Iowa State Fair Parade on August 7th. We had a great time! We had the following chapters represented: Sun Dial, Jean Marie Cardinell, Abigail Adams, De Shon, Elizabeth Ross, Hannah Caldwell, Nathaniel Fellows, Priscilla Alden and Spinning Wheel. Also joining us were members of SAR and C.A.R.



State Fair Booth

We had two displays in Pioneer Hall this year....one judged and one that we shared with Iowa Genealogical Society. We had hundreds of people stop to chat and learn about DAR, SAR, and C.A.R. We hope that some of these people decide to join us but if not we were still very visible at the Iowa State Fair!



During each Iowa Society's State Regent's term, our State Regent chooses a project that unites each of the Iowa Daughters together towards a purpose reflected in our National Society's objectives of Historic Preservation, Education, and Patriotism. State Regent Barbara Halpin has chosen as her project, with the consent of the Iowa Daughters at our August BOM meeting, to contribute to the restoration of ½ of a Lay Light located in ceiling of the NSDAR Library, and the restoration of twelve sconces located in the NSDAR Genealogy Room.

Our chapters and members can contribute to the State Regent's project by sending donations through your chapter (checks payable to ISDAR) and donating towards voices for the items on the State Regent's tables. I wanted to share with you the items that will be on our State Regent's special table:

A wonderful two story furnished Doll House (including the US Flag hanging from the front porch) made by our very own State Regent Barbara Halpin and her daughter.

Honorary State Regent Yvonne Boone donated a needle point Christmas Stocking she has made for the State Regent's table. You will say "wow" when you see the detail in this project.

There is a life-like, ceramic doll sitting in an antique rocker. Check out the fun expression the little girl will show you when you stop by.

A machine quilted quilt that fits a queen size bed or double bed. The materials in the quilt historically reflects fabrics from 1846. It is made from United Nation's Moda Fabric and is 86 x 88 in size.

Alice Wiles has donated a beautiful, framed patriotic needle-point that she personally made.

Please stop by the State Regent's tables on District Tour to see these items in person or by display. We appreciate your support of her project by donations and voices. You can learn more about the important Lay Light restoration project at the following web site: http://www.dar.org/giving_site/lay_lights_webinar.cfm

STATE REGENT PROJECT



PROJECT



Iowa Chapters gather to visit with Iowa State Regent Halpin

NW Iowa District Director Alice Wiles, Ft. Dodge Chapter member and the Clarion Lucy Standish/Newcastle Chapter hosted a luncheon meeting on Aug. 27th in Ft. Dodge. State Regent Barbara Halpin was the honored guest and speaker. The Buena Vista Chapter and the Pilot Rock Chapter were also in attendance. Regent Halpin gave a very interesting presentation on the history of NSDAR, ISDAR, the Ft. Dodge chapter and the significance of the Regent pins that are passed on to each new State Regent. It was a great chance to get acquainted with members from other chapters and to visit with Barbara. What a fun day!

Revolutionary Dames Chapter Presents Chapter Scholarships....

The Revolutionary Dames Chapter was pleased to award two recipients the \$500 Descendants Chapter Scholarship. Aubrey Grawe and Emily Ruth were the winners. Aubrey, a 2013 graduate of Waverly-Shell Rock High School, will attend the University of Iowa. She is the daughter of Mark & Amy Grawe of Waverly.

Emily, a 2013 graduate of the Janesville Consolidated School District, will attend Iowa State University. She is the daughter of Brad & Colette Ruth

James Harlan Chapter

Iowa State Regent Barbara Halpin visited with the members of the James Harlan Chapter at their July meeting held at the 1860's home of member Janet Mills. At left: Chapter Regent Sylvia Blaesing, "the bear", and State Regent Barbara Halpin.



IN MEMORIUM

Abigail Adams Chapter
Katherine Lee Piper Siebert

Artesia Chapter
Joan Burrows

Ashley Chapter
Lois Jane Crocker Comer
Phylis Kibler Shedenhelm

Buena Vista Chapter
Rula Mary El Tryon Smith

Burlington Chapter
Dorothy E. Pearson Alexander

Fort Dodge Chapter
Margaret I. Haviland Paulin

Hannah Caldwell Chapter
Beverly June Marshall Petersen

Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter
Ethel May Pitts Reames

Julien Dubuque Chapter
Mildred Luella Henschel
Gilda Dawn Emery Samuels

Ladies of the Lake Chapter
Doris Ellen Donaldson
Hemphill

Mayflower Chapter
Leona Mae Hause Hunt

Mason City Chapter
Jean Cady Lawson

Open Fire Chapter
Faythe Joan Benner Means

Shenandoah Chapter
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Please send your name, chapter name, address, e-mail address, shirt style, shirt size and your check made payable to Susan Harris and send to 5206 Valley Road, Ames, IA 50014-9365 by March 1, 2014. Your order will be delivered to you at State Conference. If you are unable to attend State Conference you can have a chapter member pick up your order or make arrangements to have the order mailed to you (mailing is not included in pricing). To get the pricing below we need to order a minimum of 48 shirts (any size combinations). Let everyone know you are a ISDAR!

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S-XL	\$11.00	\$16.00	\$17.00 *	\$16.00	\$21.00
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AMERICA CELEBRATES U.S. CONSTITUTION

DAR Promotes Constitution Week Awareness

WASHINGTON, DC – September 17, 2013, begins the national celebration of Constitution Week. The weeklong commemoration of America's most important document is one of our country's least known official observances. Our Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties and freedom, and to ensure those inalienable rights to every American.

The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was started many years ago by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). In 1955, the Daughters petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the U.S. Congress and signed into Public Law #915 on August 2, 1956 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The aims of the celebration are to (1) emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution, preserving it for posterity; (2) inform the people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life; and (3) encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.

The United States of America functions as a Republic under the Constitution, which is the oldest document still in active use that outlines the self-government of a people. This landmark idea that men had the inalienable right as individuals to be free and live their lives under their own governance was the impetus of the American Revolution. Today, the Constitution stands as an icon of freedom for people around the world.

"Constitution Week is the perfect opportunity to read and study this great document which is the safeguard of our American liberties," states DAR President General, Lynn Forney Young. "We encourage all citizens across the country to take time this week to reflect on our heritage of freedom and come together to Celebrate America!"

DAR has served America for 123 years as its foremost cheerleader. In 1928, the Daughters began work on a building as a memorial to the Constitution. John Russell Pope, architect of the Jefferson Memorial, was commissioned to design the performing arts center, known as DAR Constitution Hall. Today, DAR Constitution Hall is the only structure erected in tribute to the Constitution of the United States of America.

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