



Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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From the State Regent **Edith Harris Brunia**

Greetings to Iowa Daughters.

Though I doubted it earlier with our crazy weather, summer did come and my, have our members been shining brightly with activities. Thank you to the daughters who attended the Iowa Spring Conference, where some sparkled as graduates in leadership and genealogy; attended Continental Congress, which never fails to impress and inspire; marched or rode in Fourth of July parades, isn't it fun to meet the people; attended the Iowa 250 Patriot Marker dedication at Camp Dodge in Johnston, Iowa; and those who represented DAR and C.A.R. in the Iowa State Fair Parade. Your participation is appreciated.

At our State Conference 2023 it was such a pleasure to honor all the 53 wonderful members who had taken at least one of the 7 GEP courses since 2016. Because one part of the State Regent's Project was genealogy training, this recognition was planned even before our national organization encouraged it. It is my hope that at next year's genealogy reunion most everyone attending will join in the picture. Eight members have taken their first course or added one since our spring conference. Many more are needed. Again, I encourage chapter Regents to send me names of willing daughters, it benefits your chapter and Iowa DAR with the knowledge they acquire.

All members are encouraged to read the 2022 year committee reports online for great ideas for your chapter. You never know where



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you might find an idea for your chapter, or you might enjoy doing. All the new themes and contests are enumerated in the NIP – National Informational Packet. It is updated each year for not just DAR Leadership, anyone can read it. For those who take the American Spirit Magazine, both the Daughters Newsletter and the magazine are full of chapter activities and ideas. We all refresh our homes and clothes and now we have places to look so we can refresh our chapters. Change is not always bad; it can give one a new sparkle! Your DAR experience should bring you joy and fulfillment, which you can make happen with a little reading.

Most of us, after we get that first application in, know we have more Patriots. And then the brick walls stop us, where do we go now? On the following page of this newsletter is a form designed for just that problem and how you can get help to resolve it. It is entitled, For Members Seeking Virtual Assistance with a Supplemental Application. To get a copy that is printable go to the Search box at the very top of the National site and type in the name. At the bottom of the page of this form is the email address to send it to. Good luck to all who use it!

As has been mentioned in one of the past Chapter Regent’s Newsletters, the names of the Junior American Citizens winners have been found. Iowa did indeed have North Central Division and National winners in the various contests offered for the youth of Iowa. Under State Committees, in this edition, are the creative winners in JAC for 2022. Best wishes go out to these deserving students.

As a special treat the National Certificates handed out at Continental Congress 2023 are listed on later pages in this Newsletter by chapter. These will be distributed at Fall Forum. Congratulations to all for a job well done in 2022.

I saw a quote on Facebook recently which sums up our DAR activities, when we serve others, we are at our best. As a service organization, that says it all.

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For Members Seeking Virtual Assistance with a Supplemental Application

Thank you for contacting the Volunteer Genealogists Virtual Support Team! We look forward to helping you.

Please take a moment to complete this form and email it to National Vice Chair, Virtual Support for Supplemental Applications, Rachel Shaw, at vg.virtualvolunteers@nsdar.org.

This will help us get you the assistance you need!

Your Name:

Your DAR Number:

Your email address:

Best Phone to Reach You:

Your Time Zone:

Meeting Time Preferences (i.e., only weekends, any evening, etc.):

Briefly describe the question or issue for which you are seeking assistance:

Would you prefer a videoconference (helpful if you have documents or a family tree to share visually) or a phone call.

Video Conference Phone Call

**Submit Form to NVC VG, Virtual Support for Supplemental Application
at vg.virtualvolunteers@nsdar.org**

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July 19, 2023

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State Regent
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Re: Iowa Gold Star Military Museum-DAR Plaque recognizing Iowans and the Revolutionary War

Dear Edith,

We have met a time or two. The last time was this past Saturday, at the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum, during the unveiling ceremony of the DAR plaque recognizing Iowans and the Revolutionary War. You and your sister members of the DAR need to be proud of the size of the crowd in attendance for this event. The Museum Board, Staff, and the Iowa National Guard sincerely thanks the DAR for this very fine addition to the Museum.

Please recall when my time at the mic came I told the gathering that what we are selling at the Museum is Freedom. The fact is, and remains, America is the freest county in the history of the planet. Our wars have not been fought to take over other countries. Our wars have been fought to gain and protect the freedoms and way of life we, as Americans, have been able to live under.

The Revolutionary War was the first war our country fought to gain freedom. The fact the DAR plaque is located relatively close to the front door of the Museum is extremely fitting in that regard. Frankly, we could not be more proud to have this fine plaque, and what it stands for, added to the Museum. The DAR plaque fits directly into the missions and purpose of this Iowa Museum, and we thank you.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bob Holliday', written over a white background.

Bob Holliday
Board Chair, Iowa Gold Star Military Museum Board

CC: Command Staff, Iowa National Guard
Board and Staff, Iowa Gold Star Military Museum



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STATE JAC WINNERS

DeShon Chapter Sponsored

Kensington Williams - Poster
Aubrey Williams - Art Stamp
Abbigail Graham - Short Story
Cory Eggett - Art Digital
Colby Perrin - Poster
Maddox Dodson - Poster
Abel Tunesvik - Short Story
Donovan Williams - Short Story
Sara Gute - Short Story
C. J. Clemons - Art Digital

Henry Knox Chapter Sponsored

Alice Spear - Art Poster
Liam Mattson - Art Stamp
Maxton Merfeld - Poem
Aubrianna Butler - Art Stamp
Alexis Thompson - Short Story
Atley Williams - Art Poster
Ryan Harryman - Poem
Khloe Kreimeyer - Art Stamp



Junior American Citizens

Division and National Winners 2022

North Central Division

Cory Eggett – DeShon – Art Digital 1 st 5 th Grade	Alice Spear – Henry Knox – Art Poster 1 st 4 th Grade
Colby Perrin-Osmundson – DeShon – Art Poster 3 rd 6 th Grade	Atley Williams – Henry Knox – Art Poster 3 rd 5 th Grade
C J Clemons – DeShon – Art Digital 2 nd 7 th Grade	Liam Mattson – Henry Knox – Art Stamp 1 st 4 th Grade
Aubrianna Butler – Henry Knox - Art Stamp 3 rd 5 th Grade	Jocelyn Miller – Henry Knox – Art Poster 2 nd 6 th Grade
Khloe Kreimeyer – Henry Knox – Art Stamp 2 nd 6 th Grade	Maxton Merfeld – Henry Knox Poem 1 st 4 th Grade
Ryan Harryman – Henry Knox – Poem 2 nd 6 th Grade	Abbigail Graham – DeShon - Short Story 1 st 5 th Grade
Alexis Thompson – Henry Knox Short Story 1 st 5 th Grade	Abel Tungevik - DeShon Short Story 1 st 6 th Grade

National

Cory Eggett 1 st Art Digital	C J Clemons 2 nd Art Digital
Alice Spear 2 nd Art Poster	Atley Williams 3 rd Art Poster
Colby Perrin-Osmundson 3 rd Art Poster	Jocelyn Miller 2 nd Art Poster
Liam Mattson 1 st Art Stamp	Aubrianna Bulter 2 nd Art Stamp
Khloe Kreimeyer 2 nd Art Stamp	Maxton Merfeld 1 st Poem
Ryan Harryman 2 nd Poem	Abbigail Graham 1 st Short Story
Alexis Thompson 1 st Short Story	Abel Tungesvik 1 st Short Story





National Certificates for the year 2022

State Certificates

- American Heritage Committee - North Central Division Second Place for Most Programs
- American Heritage Committee - North Central Division Third Place for Highest % Chapter Participation
- American Indians Committee - Iowa State Society for Let Your Spirit Sparkle
- CDRC Commission Committee - North Central Division for Outstanding Membership Retention Teamwork
- DAR School Committee Iowa - North Central Division for Most Donations to Friends of DAR Schools States with 1-49 Chapters
- DAR School Committee - For Most Donations to Friends of the DAR Schools States with 1-49 Chapters
- The Flag of the United States of America Committee - North Central Division 1st Place for Most Creative State Program Using Technology
- The Flag of the United States of America Committee - Society North Central Division 2nd Place for State with the Most DAR Flag Codes Distributed
- The Flag of the United States of America Committee - North Central Division 2nd Place for State with the Most Flags Distributed by Division
- The Flag of the United States of America Committee - North Central Division 2nd Place for State with the Most Braille Flags Distributed by Division
- Genealogical Records Committee - State with Membership 751-2,000 for Pages Submitted
- Service to America Committee - for Outstanding Achievement in Exceeding Service to America Hours Goal
- DAR Leadership Training North Central Division - Sparklers - State Level Training Award

National Certificates by Chapter for the Year 2022

- Abigail Adams - Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award
- Abigail Adams - North Central Division 1st Place Public Relations and Media Committee for Outstanding Newsletter
- Abigail Adams - North Central Division 2nd Place The Flag of the United States of America Committee for Chapter with Most Braille Flags Distributed by Division
- Abigail Adams - DAR Scholarship Committee National Commendation for Outstanding Service
- Abigail Adams - America 250! Committee to Lucinda (Cindi) Carter for Dedicated Service for Celebration Grants
- Abigail Adams – North Central Division Commemorative Events Committee to Susan Klein for Outstanding Service as State Chair
- Abigail Adams - Lineage Research Committee to Annabelle Mack for Outstanding Service as State Registrar
- Abigail Adams - Lineage Research Committee to Annabelle Mack for Outstanding Service for Regional Specialist Region V
- Algona - Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award





National Certificates by Chapter for the Year 2022

Anna Maria Lane - Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Anna Maria Lane – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops or Resignations

Anna Maria Lane – North Central Division Public Relations and Media Committee 2nd Place for Outstanding Print Coverage

Anna Maria Lane – North Central Division America 250! Committee for Grave Marking and Dedication

Anna Maria Lane – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Becky Baas for Outstanding Use of Technology

Anna Maria Lane – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Landra McClellan for Outstanding Use of Technology

Anna Maria Lane – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Rory McClellan for Outstanding Use of Technology

Anna Maria Lane – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Chere McLaughlin for Outstanding Use of Technology

Anna Maria Lane – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Shelley Wells for Outstanding Use of Technology

Anna Maria Lane - Genealogical Records Committee to Shelley Wells for Outstanding Volunteer Volume Submitted 2022

Anna Maria Lane - Patriot Records Project Committee to Shelley Wells for Outstanding Service Volunteer

Artesia - White Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Artesia – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops or Resignations

Ashley – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Ashley – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Christy Hamblin for Outstanding Use of Technology

Ashley – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Jaclyn Kurtz for Outstanding Use of Technology

Ashley – North Central Division Lineage Research Committee to Linda Van Niewaal for Outstanding Service for Lineage Research

Candle-Stick – Red Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Cedar Falls – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award

Cedar Falls – American Heritage Committee 1st Place to Lisa Lang for Music-Instrumental


Cedar Falls – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Jeverna Mulligan for Outstanding Use of Technology

Council Bluffs – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Council Bluffs – North Central Division DAR Project Patriot Committee 1st Place to Council Bluffs Chapter for Exceptional Work by a Chapter

Council Bluffs – North Central Division 3rd Place Historic Preservation Committee to Council Bluffs Chapter for Historic Preservation Project Contest – Chapter Entry Kinsman Monument

Council Bluffs – North Central Division DAR Project Patriot Committee to Constance Fenn for Exceptional Work by an Individual “DAR Pillowcase Project for Military Troops”





National Certificates by Chapter for the Year 2022

Council Bluffs – Literacy Promotion Committee to Council Bluffs Chapter for Outstanding Service
Garden Center Literacy Recognition

Council Bluffs – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Myrna
McGrath for Outstanding Use of Technology

Council Bluffs – Historic Preservation Committee to Donna Knight for Outstanding Service

Council Bluffs – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Pamela
Oviatt for Outstanding Use of Technology

De Shon – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

De Shon – North Central Division America 250! Committee for Outstanding Chapter
Participation

De Shon – North Central Division American Indian Committee for Outstanding Donations of
Goods to Chemawa Indian School

De Shon – Historic Preservation Committee to Barbara McDougall for Outstanding Service

Elizabeth Ross – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Elizabeth Ross – North Central Division America 250! Committee for Outstanding Chapter
Participation

Elizabeth Ross – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops and
Resignations

Elizabeth Ross – North Central Division America 250! Committee for Dedication of America
250 Patriot Marker

Elizabeth Ross – Patriot Records Project Committee to Sharon Greenlee for Outstanding
Service Volunteer

Elizabeth Ross – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Sharon
Greenlee for Outstanding Use of Technology

Glenwood – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Glenwood – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops and Resignations

Glenwood – North Central Division Historic Preservation Committee to Gayleen Chickering for
Outstanding Service as State Chair

Grinnell – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Grinnell – DAR Scholarship Committee National Commendation for Outstanding Service

Grinnell – DAR Genealogy Preservation Committee to Nancy Bender for Outstanding Service
Descendants Project

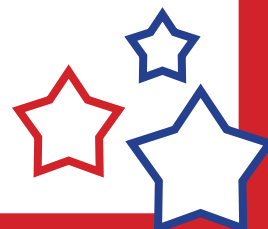
Grinnell – Conservation Committee to Jane Cruchelow for Outstanding Service

Hannah Caldwell – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Hannah Caldwell – DAR Scholarship Committee National Commendation for Outstanding
Service


Hannah Caldwell – North Central Division DAR Good Citizen Committee to Karen Ward for
Dazzle Award Sponsor of the State Winner

Hannah Caldwell – North Central Division DAR Good Citizen Committee to Lillian Shaffer
for Scholarship Essay Contest State Winner





National Certificates by Chapter for the Year 2022

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- Hannah Lee – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award
- Hannah Lee – North Central Division The Flag of the United States of America Committee 1st Place for Chapter with the Most DAR Flag Codes Distributed
- Hannah Lee – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Becky McCabe for Outstanding Use of Technology
- Hannah Lee – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Sarah Nowack for Outstanding Use of Technology
- Hannah Lee – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Julie Vogel for Outstanding Use of Technology
- Helen Hinman Dwelle – White Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
- Helen Hinman Dwelle – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops or Resignations
- Henry Knox – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
- Henry Knox – DAR Library Outreach Committee for Outstanding Service
- Henry Knox – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops or Resignations
- Henry Knox – Literacy Promotion Committee for Outstanding Service – Books for Buckhorn School & Community Care Residents
- Henry Knox – Literacy Promotion Committee to Barbara Anderson for Outstanding Service Book Donations
- Henry Knox – North Central Division Community Classroom Committee to Jacqueline Beard for Outstanding Service
- Henry Knox – DAR Library Outreach Committee to Jackie Beard for Outstanding Service
- Henry Knox – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Nancy Toll for Outstanding Use of Technology
- James Harlan – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award
- James Harlan – North Central Division America 250! Committee for Outstanding Chapter Participation
- Jean Espy – White Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
- Jean Espy – North Central Division Volunteer Specialist Jane Powell Outstanding Use of Technology
- Jean Marie Cardinell – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
- Jean Marie Cardinell – North Central Division Membership Committee for Best Retention Activity Chapters with More Than 150 members
- Jean Marie Cardinell – North Central Division DAR Project Patriot Committee for Excellent Work by a Chapter “Supporting Iowa National Guard”
- Jean Marie Cardinell – DAR Scholarship Committee National Commendation for Outstanding Service
- Jean Marie Cardinell – North Central Division DAR Magazine Committee to Nancy Nichols for Best Highlighting of American Spirit Magazine Articles at Chapter Meetings
- Jean Marie Cardinell – North Central Division Project Patriot Committee to Heidi Holsapple for Exceptional State Chair
- Jean Marie Cardinell – North Central Division DAR Project Patriot Committee to Karla Wright for Exceptional Work Done by an Individual
- Jean Marie Cardinell – North Central Division America 250! Committee to Denise Hamilton for Outstanding State Chair





National Certificates by Chapter National for the Year 2022

Ladies of the Lake – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Ladies of the Lake – North Central Division The Flag of the United States of America Committee
1st Place for Most Creative Chapter Program Using Technology
Ladies of the Lake – North Central Division CDRC Committee to Carolyn DeLay for Outstanding
Committee Leadership
Ladies of the Lake – North Central Division The Flag of the United States of America Committee
to Carolyn DeLay for Most Inspirational Flag Historian and Re-enactor
Ladies of the Lake – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to
Carolyn DeLay for Outstanding Use of Technology
Ladies of the Lake – Lineage Research Committee to Carolyn DeLay for Outstanding Service as
State Lineage Research Chair
Lawrence Van Hook – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Lawrence Van Hook – North Central Division Children of the American Revolution Committee
to Amy Sunleaf for Outstanding State Report
Lucretia Deering – White Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Lucretia Deering – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops and
Resignations
Lucy Standish-Newcastle – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Marion Linn – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Martha Washington – Red Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Martha Washington – Conservation Committee for Outstanding Service
Mason City – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Mason City – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops and Resignations
Mayflower – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Nancy McKay Harsh – Red Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Nathaniel Fellows – Red Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Onawa – Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Onawa – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops and Resignations
Open Prairie – Red Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award
Open Prairie – DAR Scholarship Committee National Commendation for Outstanding Service
Open Prairie – North Central Division DAR Project Patriot Committee to Tanya Demmel for
Exceptional Work by an Individual
Pilgrim – Red Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award
Pilgrim – Literacy Promotion Committee for Outstanding Service – Book Donations to 22
Schools
Pilgrim – North Central Division The Flag of the United States of America Committee 1st Place
To Ann Gabel for Most Outstanding State Chair
Pilgrim – North Central Division The Flag of the United States of America Committee 1st Place
for Best State Chair Report
Pilot Rock – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award
Pilot Rock – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drop and Resignations
Pilot Rock – DAR Scholarship Committee National Commendation for Outstanding Service





National Certificates by Chapter for the Year 2022

Pilot Rock – North Central Division DAR School Committee to Peggy Corrington for Outstanding State Chair

Pilot Rock – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Peggy Corrington for Outstanding Use of Technology

Pilot Rock – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Lynette Hyndman for Outstanding Use of Technology

Priscilla Alden – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Priscilla Alden – Historic Preservation Committee for Outstanding Service

Priscilla Alden – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Cammy Brandt for Outstanding Use of Technology

Priscilla Alden – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Janice Brandt for Outstanding Use of Technology

Revolutionary Dames – Red Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Revolutionary Dames – North Central Division America 250! Committee for Outstanding Chapter Participation

Revolutionary Dames – North Central Division America 250! Committee for Marking a Real Daughter Grave

Revolutionary Dames – Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Rita Ruth for Outstanding Use of Technology

Shenandoah – Red Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Shenandoah – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops and Resignations

Spinning Wheel – Red Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Spinning Wheel – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Marlys Ankrum for Outstanding Use of Technology

Spinning Wheel – North Central Division Community Classroom Committee to Michelle Ankrum for Outstanding Service

Stars and Stripes – Red Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Stars and Stripes – North Central Division Membership Committee for Zero Drops and Resignations

Stars and Stripes – Junior Membership Committee to Shannon Kae Woods for State Winner, Outstanding Junior Membership Contest

Sun Dial-Solomon Dean – Red Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

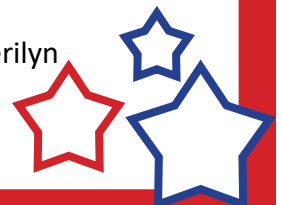
Sun Dial-Solomon Dean – Patriot Records Project Committee to Patricia Ruble for Outstanding Service Volunteer

Sun Dial-Solomon Dean – DAR Genealogy Preservation Committee to Lavon Doherty for Outstanding Service-Descendants Project

Sun Dial-Solomon Dean – DAR Library Outreach Committee to Carol Baxter for Outstanding Service as State Librarian

Washington – Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement Award

Washington – North Central Division Volunteer Information Specialist Committee to Jerilyn Klein for Outstanding Use of Technology





We want your tea!

Madame State Regent Brunia and Shelley Wells are planning a trip to the Boston Tea Party 250th Celebration and we want to send plenty of tea from Iowa for the event.

250th BOSTON TEA PARTY DONATION DRIVE

Bring your tea to **Fall Forum** to participate in the Boston Tea Party 250th.

The year 2023 marks the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party, a moment that forever changed the course of American history. In honor of this celebration, everyone around the world has a chance to get involved. This tea will be used during the 250th Anniversary & Reenactment of the Boston Tea Party on December 16, 2023.

Please bring tea in loose-leaf form. No bags. If your tea is in a bag please, dump your tea in a baggie and we get it to the Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum for you.

If you are not attending Fall Forum but still want to participate in this historic event. You can mail your **loose-leaf** tea to:

Boston Tea Party 250th Anniversary
Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum
306 Congress Street
Boston, MA 02210



For More Details

<https://www.december16.org/boston-tea-party-reenactment>

From the State Vice Regent ***Sarah Steinke***



Once again, Fall Forum is right around the corner. Please join us October 13-15 at the Holiday Inn Airport in Des Moines. There will be a special paper party at the Iowa Genealogical Society Library and the State Historical Museum Research Center on October 13. Plans are still underway, but we are looking forward to workshops on Contests! Contests! Contests! and Service From Home as well as a guest speaker on Rural Chapters. Registration information is included in this newsletter. The registration deadline is September 22. If you are interested in having a table at Fall Forum please email me at sarah.steinke.dar@gmail.com by October 1.

It is not too late to purchase your Brunia Administration earrings, necklace, bracelet, and other goodies. Stop by the table at Fall Forum.

We will once again be hosting our ISDAR Dress and Hat Resale. We are accepting dresses, hats, DAR Logo Shirts, and DAR casual items in good condition. They will be priced and sold with proceeds benefitting the State Regent's Project.

As a reminder, the Iowa Daughters Helping Daughters applications will have to be received by this officer by October 1, 2023. The form is on the ISDAR website under State Vice Regent forms.





IOWA SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Fall Forum
October 13-15, 2023

Airport Holiday Inn
6111 Fleur Drive
Des Moines, IA 50321

Hotel Reservations: (515) 287-2400
Double \$109 plus 12% tax - up to 4 per room
Ask for DAR Room Block

Make Reservations directly with hotel by Friday September 22, 2023 - NO EXCEPTION
REGISTRATION FORM

Name: Chapter:

Phone: Email:

I plan to arrive on a.m./p.m. and depart on a.m./p.m.
(Helps us plan appropriately for attendance and lets us know when you plan to arrive and depart)

- Saturday Lunch Two Apple Waldorf Salad, Philly Cheesesteak: Thinly Sliced Sirloin Topped with Smoked Peppers, Onions & Melted Monterey Jack Cheese on a Hoagie and Fresh Baked Cookies
Saturday Dinner Spinach and Garden Greens Salad, Parmesan Crusted Chicken Breast with Parmesan Cream Sauce, Grilled Asparagus, Rice Pilaf and Strawberry Cheesecake.
Sunday Lunch Tri Colored Rotini Pasta Salad, California Chicken Sandwich: Lightly Seasoned Chicken Breast with Bacon, Tomato, Fresh Greens, Avocado, & Pepperjack Cheese with Chipotle Mayo on a Pretzel Bun and Fresh Baked Cookies

Please tell us if you have special dietary requirements and arrangements will be made with our caterer.
All members pay Registration, Guests do not. Registration fee is waived for Pages.

Table with 4 columns: Item, Price, Select, Special Requests. Rows include Registration (\$18.00), Saturday Luncheon (\$34.00), Saturday Dinner (\$46.00), Sunday Luncheon (\$34.00), and TOTAL ENCLOSED.

Completion and submission of this registration form serves as your agreement with NSDAR -1000 Photo Video Release policy.

Registration Deadline is September 22, 2023

Mail registration form and payment to: Sarah Steinke, State Vice Regent, 24331 Illini Ct, Manhattan, IL 60442, Email: sarah.steinke.dar@gmail.com

Check all that apply:

Make checks payable to "Iowa Society DAR"

- National Officer, Past National Officer, Chapter Officer, C.A.R. Member, Honorary State Regent, National Chairman, Chapter Chairman, C.A.R. Senior Leader, State Officer, National Vice Chairman, Member, HODAR, Chapter Regent, State Chairman, Guest, 50+ Year Member, Chapter Vice Regent, State Vice Chairman, Page, First Time Attendee, Delegate, District Director, Junior, Credentialed Medical Professional

Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Fall Forum 2023 Agenda

October 13-15, 2023

Airport Holiday Inn, 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines

Friday, October 13

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Paper Party – Iowa Genealogical Society Library and State Historical Museum of Iowa Research Center/Library (IGS daily fee \$10)

3:00 p.m. Budget and Finance meeting – Room 396

4:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting for State Officers - Room 396

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Fall Forum Meeting rooms set up – Iowa A

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Registration – Iowa Foyer

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Reception in Hospitality Room

Saturday, October 14

8:00 a.m. Fall Forum Registration opens – Iowa Foyer

8:30 a.m. Page Information Meeting – Iowa A

8:00 a.m. Setup of Silent Auction Baskets -Iowa A

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Committee tables with Chairman present/Sales Tables Open

9:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Iowa Society Fall Forum opens – Iowa A

Introductions, Board of Management Business, State Chairman Reports

12:00 p.m. Luncheon:

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Workshop # 1 – **DAR Leadership Training Module**

2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Workshop # 2 – **State/Chapter Officer Breakout Session**

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Service Project – Christmas cards for deployed servicemen/women and stockings for the USO at Camp Dodge.

6:00 p.m. – Pictures (State Officers, Honorary State Regents, Pages, etc.)

6:30 p.m. Dinner *Cocktail attire*

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Reception in Hospitality Room

Sunday, October 15

8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Committee tables with Chairman present/ Sales Tables Open

8:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. Silent Auction Baskets

9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Workshop # 3- **Contests! Contests! Contests!**

10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Workshop # 4- **Service From Home**

11:15 a.m. Announcements and closing

11:45 p.m. Luncheon:

**People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did,
but people will never forget how you made them feel.**

This year's Service Project for the Fall Forum is Project Patriot.



Please join us in celebrating active military at this year's fall forum service project. We will be signing cards for active duty members aboard the USS Gerald Ford. Please keep in mind the card signing guidelines. There are over 5,000 aboard. Wouldn't it be nice if everyone deployed was remembered this Holiday Season!

We will also be stuffing stockings and encourage each chapter to participate. Please bring age appropriate items to be stuffed and the stockings have been supplied by the Anna Maria Lane Chapter.

Card Signing Guidelines

- Please address the card to "Dear Warrior or Dear Service Member" and be polite.
- If writing a holiday greeting, keep in mind that our Troops are diverse in their holiday practices and beliefs.
- Write a short, personal note. If you are or have been in the military, or have a family member who served in the military, please consider including that information in your Card.
- Sign your first name ONLY, DAR chapter name, and the town and state where you live.
- If your card is homemade, please keep the size to no larger than an 8 x 11 size paper folded in half.
- If you have an envelope, please do NOT seal it. Do not be concerned if you do not have an envelope!
- ABSOLUTELY NO GLITTER!

Stocking Service Project for USO children at Camp Dodge

- No stockings. The stockings will be supplied by the Anna Maria Lane Chapter
- Please bring items that are age appropriate per grouping for both boys and girls
- Age groups 1-4, 4-8 and 8-12.

From the State Registrar
Ann Mack



Membership Changes May 17th – Aug 11th
Welcome New Members!

Camp Dodge

Sheri Neal
 Susan Newhall
 Danielle Simmons
 Kristin Humke
 Lisa Broadway-Savage
 Peggy Gaul

Cedar Falls

Council Bluffs

Hannah Lee

Susanna Craft
 Susan Holthaus
 Hailey Novak

Henry Knox

Jean Espy

Jean Marie Cardinell

Sheryl Robins
 Jeanette Diehl
 Kari Brett
 Barbara McCloney
 Linda Smith
 Ellen Wade

Ladies of the Lake

Mary Chambers
 Brittney Kroenke

Lawrence Van Hook

Marth Washington

Peggy Thoms
 JoEllen Harvey
 Carol Schneider

Open Prairie

Jody Yutesler

Pilgrim

Priscilla Alden

Shenandoah

Stars and Stripes

Sun Dial-Solomon Dean

Sharolyn Evans
 Megan Knapp
 Marjorie Jurgensen
 Mary David
 Kathy Moss
 Lori Johnston
 Leanne Lewis

ADDITIONAL MEMBER INFO

- Deaths--1
- No Transfers in or out have been reported

It's a PAPER PARTY!

Are you working on an application for a new member or perhaps a supplement for yourself? If you are in need of the resources at the State Historical Library or the Iowa Genealogical Society, you are in luck! On October 13, from 1-4 pm, the day prior to Fall Forum, a research workshop will be held simultaneously at both locations.

Each archive has specific collections that may be of use to you in your search for documents. A check of each website (<https://iowagenealogy.org>, and/or <https://iowaculture.gov/history/research>) may help you to determine which archive would be best for what you are researching, or you



may want to do sleuthing in both.

DAR members, who are familiar with these two archives, have graciously volunteered to be at each location to help you navigate the facility. Lineage Research is a TEAM sport! The State Historical Library is free to use, however, all personal items must be left in lockers, just outside the entrance to the library. The Iowa Genealogical Society charges \$10.00/day, if you are not a member. Computers are available, but not many, so, bring your own laptop or a flash drive to save documents. Print is \$.25/page.

If you anticipate attending this Paper Workshop, please email Ann Mack at mack.ann.m@gmail.com. She will send you information regarding locations and parking, as well as information on the archives.

So, Let's get the PARTY started on the 13th!

From the State Historian
Lucy Ann Zeimet



Preserving the history of Iowa DAR....
"So much of our future lies in preserving our past" *

Fall is here and with the beginning of the season, ISDAR starts to really get busy and that includes information for various NSDAR contests. This Officer is responsible for the **NSDAR Outstanding Teacher of American History** contest.

Chapters.....now is the time to start thinking of and nominating a candidate. Full time teachers in the public, parochial and private schools from grades 5-12 are eligible for this award. The class subject taught should be American History or related fields such as social studies, government, civics or citizenship. Being a teacher is as challenging as ever and how better to honor an excellent teacher than to nominate them for this award. What teacher in your school system should be honored in this way?

Full information and application forms can be found on the ISDAR website under Forms/Historian or click this link: <https://www.dar.org/sites/default/files/members/darnet/forms/HG-4000.pdf> Please read the instructions carefully and make sure all signatures needed are present. ***A small change this year** is that the three nominee recommendations from non-DAR individuals familiar with the teacher's work are to be one page, single sided and signed. Also, NSDAR is strongly encouraging the nominated teacher to not just submit a resume for the application, but rather a personal narration of their philosophy and experience in teaching our Iowa students. The deadline to submit your Chapter's nominee and all the required documentation is **November 15th** to this Officer:

Lucy Zeimet, ISDAR State Historian
107 Riviera Dr • Bellevue, IA 52031 • 563-599-7566 • Lucy.zeimet@gmail.com

Be watching the ISDAR web site for an updated list of Revolutionary Patriots/Soldiers that are buried in Iowa. Some have been approved by NSDAR, with an Ancestor #, and some have not. This list should not be used as documentation for an application. But all have been proven to have participated in the Revolutionary War by the Veterans Administration/National Archives.

Also, a complete list of Iowa State Regents from even before the organization of ISDAR, (DAR Chapters in Iowa voted to organize an Iowa Society DAR which they did in 1899), will be added to honor these outstanding women for the 125th Anniversary of ISDAR.

Finally, I must add a correction from the Summer newsletter. Abigail Adams Chapter was the first DAR Chapter organized in Iowa in 1893. Not the Clinton Chapter, which was organized in 1895. My apologies to Abigail Adams Chapter!

*Peter Westbrook

From the State Chaplain

Briana Johnson



Psalm 85:12 "The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest."

I hope you are all enjoying a bountiful harvest... not only from your garden, but also from your busy DAR summer!

As you begin this new year, here is a quick reminder for receiving Birthday Greetings:

- Members 90 and Over: Notify myself, the State Chaplain, and a Birthday Greeting will be sent on behalf of the Iowa State Society. Include: Name/Age/Birthdate/Address.
- Members 90, 100, 100+: Notify the Chaplain General on or before the 10th of the month preceding the birth date. There is a form on our State website listed under Chaplain.

In Memory of our Deceased Daughters

Mary Diana Bingaman, Abigail Adams Chapter
Beryl Louise Eichhorn Soderberg, Algona Chapter
Mae Lavonne Boustead Thompson, Council Bluffs Chapter
Marlene Jean Knupp Osborne, Fort Dodge Chapter
Marjorie Wagner Irwin, Hannah Caldwell Chapter
Sarah Angeline Henning Reynolds, Hannah Lee Chapter
Barbara Jean Homann Otto McGuire, Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter
Betty Rice Knipp, Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter
Marilyn Alice Tillman Rowe, Ladies of the Lake Chapter
Laurie Ella Mutersbaugh, Mayflower Chapter
Kathleen Marie Burns Pitlick, Nathaniel Fellows Chapter
Raygena Dixie Klaaren Garringer, Nathaniel Fellows Chapter
Marion Thomas, Pricilla Alden Chapter
Shirley Martin Price, Spinning Wheel Chapter
Marlys Murphy Ankrum, Spinning Wheel Chapter

From the State Treasurer

Debra Arendt

Welcome back to all seasoned Chapter Treasurers and to new ones coming on. With fall around the corner it's time again to get your due notices out.

Reminder, all Chapter Treasurers are to send National dues of \$45.00 per member electronically by using E-membership or by mailing, and post-mark before December 1, 2023. Please send a copy of the list of members that you are paying National to State Treasurer. To the new Chapter Treasurer there is a video on the ISDAR website under ISDAR Officers and Forms (State Treasurer Forms) to help you know how to do the process of electronically sending National dues.

Like last year State dues of \$5.00 per member and Cash Contributions are due by November 20, 2023 to the State Treasurer. Chapters are encouraged to send in 3 years (\$7.50) of contributions in for the President General Project. This will give your chapter the opportunity to receive a signed certificate from the President General. To help figure out the amount use official membership count as of January 1, 2023, then multiple by \$7.50.

If you have any questions contact the State Treasurer:

Debra Arendt, ISDAR State Treasurer
PO Box 1882 • Ottumwa, Iowa 52501



From the State Librarian

Carol Baxter

Hello Iowa Daughters! Hope you have had a wonderful summer. It always goes by much too quickly.

I am looking forward to the fall forum in mid October and hope we have a record number of attendees.

I am challenging all chapters to purchase the book by Dr. Ben Carson, "Why America Matters," and donate it to their local library. It is a children's book but is a good read for all ages. It is about Judeo-Christian values of America and its founding, and the importance of the Four Pillars of the Cornerstone Institute: Faith, Liberty, Community, and Life. In the back pages it has pictures of faithful Americans of Liberty, Community Leaders, and Protectors of Life. It celebrates our great country and reminds us what a blessing it is to be an American. See you soon!!



From the State Corresponding Secretary

Andrea Perry



Greetings Iowa Daughters,

At Fall Forum, this officer will have a sales table with a variety of chapter supplies available for purchase. If you need something specific, I will be placing a bulk order for chapters.

These orders must be picked up at Fall Forum.

Payment is due when you pick up your items.

Deadline for orders is NOON, SEPTEMBER 22nd.

To place an chapter supply order, please email andrea.perry.dar@gmail.com.

If you need something before then or would like to place your own order, please visit the DAR Store at <https://shop.dar.org/>.

DAR Store – Committees Awards & Supplies

The Committees Awards & Supplies section of the DAR Store has certificates and awards that chapters can order to present to winners. Some awards require nomination approval letters from the national chair so please read the qualifications. The Certificate Document Jacket is a nice touch that protects the certificate and makes for a polished presentation.



DAR Store – Chapter Supplies

Does your chapter treasurer need a new DAR Bank Bag? Would your chapter chaplain like some Sympathy or Thinking of You cards? Does your chapter need new Membership Cards? These items and more are available in the DAR Store under Chapter Supplies!



DAR Store – Jewelry

Looking for some bling to wear on the right side of your ensembles? The Jewelry section of the DAR Store has several Wright Administration pins that are available for all DAR members to purchase. Which one is your favorite? Watch for a drawing at Corresponding Secretary's sales table at Fall Forum for one of these special pins!



From the State Organizing Secretary
Tiffany Hauptman



Membership Renewal

As we start planning for dues collection this fall, be sure to keep our members as the focus! It is easy to get caught up in the process, as it is a big task! Our goal is to renew membership and retain our valued Daughters!

- Make sure that the Membership Renewal Notice reaches EVERYONE! Use mail, email, text, and other methods of communication as needed for your chapter members.
- Make the renewal process user friendly.
- There will be members that you will have to follow-up with. Be kind and understanding. We are all busy. They may have simply missed the first communication.
- You may have to contact a family member.
- Be prepared to talk about their value as a member of your chapter.
- Be positive and encouraging!
- For more ideas, including sample Membership Renewal Notices, please visit the Daughters Online Community (DOC) at <https://community.dar.org/home>

From the State Recording Secretary

Jeri Klein



We're heading into Fall and chapter meetings are in full swing. This is a great time to do some fall housekeeping.

- Review the State Directory for accuracy. Submit any changes to me. (Please be patient as I am doing some format updates.)
- Fall Forum is just around the corner. I am hoping to see many of our members attend. The "mailbox" folders will be there for chapters, committees, state officers, honorary regents and district directors. If anyone has announcements or handouts to share, Fall Forum is the time to get information out and receive information.
- The Chapter Regent or her designee is responsible to pick up all information from the mail folders.
- Prepare one copy of your chapter yearbook to each State Officer, Master Reports Chairman and District Director. (Total 12 copies) These may be distributed electronically or distributed at Fall Forum.

Thank you all for everything you do to promote, and represent our organization.

Jeri Klein • 1029 170th St • Keota, IA 52248 • (319) 330-6010 • jerilynmklein@gmail.com



America 250! Committee

Denise Baker Hamilton, Chair

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Preparing for America's 250th Birthday Celebrations!



On a very warm day on July 15, 2023, Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution held an unveiling and dedication ceremony of its America 250 Patriots Marker.

The ceremony was held at the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum at Camp Dodge in Johnston. Members of the Sons of the American Revolution also participated in the ceremony.

The America 250 Patriots Marker commemorates the 250th anniversary of the United States and can be placed by chapters and states in their communities.

Thank you to all daughters who made this happen including all the daughters and guests who attended the ceremony. Thank you also to the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum for authorizing the placement of this marker.

If your chapter is interested in placing an America 250 Patriots Marker, please see [Historian General | Daughters of the American Revolution \(dar.org\)](https://www.dar.org)



Community Service Award Committee

Elise James, Chair

Greetings Iowa Daughters.

The year is moving along very fast; however, there is still plenty of time for Chapters to select an individual or group for a Community Service Award (CSA). I have received communications from several Chapters about submitting nominations, but I know there are many more opportunities for recognition from the cities and towns around our State.

NSDAR put together a CSA "Toolkit" to assist Chapters with selecting and recognizing those who do valuable work within our state. The link for the toolkit was sent out mid-June. It is:

www.dar.org/members/committees/national-committees/community-service-awards/csa-toolkit

If you are familiar with the national website, log in to the Members website, click on the Committees tab, then scroll to Community Service Award. Click on that category and all the CSA information and forms will be there, along with the toolkit.

Each Chapter is eligible to submit two nominations in the calendar year. With four months to go, there is time to get information to me so that the approval documentation can be sent to National and the certificate and pin sent to your Chapter for presentation.

Please take a moment to consider recognizing and nominating a community-minded individual or group in your area.

Thanks for considering this worthy Chapter activity.

PAGE AT FALL FORUM!

Please Plan to Sparkle in DAR Service and Friendship at the Fall Forum as a Page!

Thank you to Michelle Ankrum, Anna Humeston, Paige Perry, Emily Humeston, and Addison Chickering for your wonderful service at the 2023 State Conference!
Your service is so appreciated.

Please consider serving as a page at the Fall Forum.
A white dress and a smile are the most important requirements.

Pages sparkle in DAR service by assisting in many ways to help the meetings and workshops of the Fall Forum run smoothly. There are no longer any age requirements in Iowa.

Please contact Jackie Beard jkbeard17@gmail.com to sign up &/or with any questions.

Chapter Supply Orders

Place your DAR STORE order for chapter supplies with the State Corresponding Secretary **andrea.perry.dar@gmail.com** for delivery at Fall Forum in October.

Shipping will be prorated amongst the orders, payment due at pickup.

Deadline: September 22nd NOON



Iowa State Fair Parade

Kathy Lynn, Coordinator



A Perfect Day for a Parade

The Iowa State Fair Parade took place on Wednesday evening, August 9, 2023, in downtown Des Moines. Daughters from the Abigail Adams, Camp Dodge, and Jean Marie Cardinell chapters, along with family and friends met in the east lot of the State Capitol Building to decorate the float.

Dawn Baldwin with her bagpipes and Joanne Tinker with her American Revolution-era drum led the way on the two-mile route down Grand Avenue. Nancy Geiger and Susan Ohnysty carried the DAR banner followed by State Regent Edith Brunia riding in a convertible corvette driven by Michael Golightly. Next in formation was the patriotic red truck and trailer driven by Carl Sells. Making her State Fair Parade debut this year and carrying the C.A.R. banner was Iowa C.A.R. President Abigail Johnson.

Additional riders and walkers, many decked out in their beautiful dresses or patriotic attire were Gerry Bauman, Naomi Bowler, Jennifer Ewing, Briar Hamilton, Delilah Hamilton, Denise Hamilton, Kennetha Klein, Kaliopé Landes, Ravena Landes, Kathy Lynn, Sharleen Newton, and Betsy Ross sewing her flag (a.k.a. Jennifer Rebel).

Shout out to the following chapters for dedicating their America 250 Celebration grant to the State Fair Parade effort: Camp Dodge, Jean Marie Cardinell, Onawa, and ISDAR.

This year we debuted new vehicle magnets and America 250 banners. The street was lined with a large happy crowd out on this perfect-weather evening. We ended the event with more water, photos, hugs, and snacks. A lot of laughter and fun for everyone: "that was so fun! See you next year!" Indeed, we will return next year, won't you join us?

Kathy Lynn • Department of Sparkle and Shine! • Celebrate Stars and Stripes Forever! • IowaParadeTeam@gmail.com



Chapter Development & Revitalization Commission

Carolyn DeLay, Chair

Looking for new members? Sometimes chapters have a “lull” Moment in chapter activity in membership. It is at this time that many people are looking for untapped sources for new members. Perhaps one source is one that many may not have considered. That is the Member At Large database. Members at large are those wishing to become a DAR member, but unable to be active in a chapter because of lifestyle, distance, or personal preference, may wish to join as a member-at-large. The applicant for member-at-large fulfills the same DAR lineage and application requirements as applicants who are applying for membership in a chapter. Regular chapter members may go Member At Large for some of the same reasons. However, Members At Large (MAL) does NOT have any affiliation with the state or individual chapters. Which means they cannot be associate members of a chapter, hold any position in a chapter as a Committee Chair or a State Committee Chair. They lose the benefits of chapter and state membership. They may, however, attend Continental Congress and Page there.

After awhile some of those who are Members At Large desire a close relationship with a chapter and its members. Chapters should check periodically without pressure those members that live near their chapter to see if they are interested in joining their chapter. Perhaps suggest they visit. Perhaps things have changed in their lives so this would be possible. Don't neglect these people, but don't force the issue. The MAL database could be a goldmine for some chapters. At least it is worth checking it out!

Commemorative Events Committee

Susan Klein, Chair

What Are Your Plans for Commemorative Events this Year?

When your chapter meets this year make sure to include Commemorative Events. The first step is to access the NSDAR member website; look for committees; find **Commemorative Events** and click on **Recourses for Events**. This page opens up all kinds of very interesting information **AND** ways of experiencing Commemorative Events.

If you want more! Check out our Commemorative Events page on the ISDAR website. We have created five sets of table tents for chapters to print and have available at chapter meetings. Directions on how to use and report the use of the table tents is on the page.

DAR values patriotism and education. That is just what Commemorative Events is all about. We are very close to celebrating our country's 250th Anniversary and DAR can be a leader in educating our communities, young and old, in our rich history while encouraging patriotism. I encourage you to look for those times that DAR can raise up the importance of honoring our patriots and the development of a unique way of governing and living. That is why we need to continue to learn as much as we can about the Revolution and other events that has made us the United States of America.

TAKE PICTURES. When you take the time to promote commemorative events, use your phone to capture the moment. You will be glad when it is time to complete your reports and members love seeing the pictures too.

Lineage Research Committee

Carolyn DeLay, Chair

Sharing this from Susan Johnston the National Lineage Research Committee chair. If help is needed, look online in the Lineage Research Committee, in the various areas of the Daughters Online Community, or contact the State Registrar or state Lineage Research Committee Chairman.



Lineage Research Committee Services

Celebrate!

- Applications
- AIR Letters
- Regional Research
- Peer Review
- Virtual Consultations
- eApp Support
- Analysis Review
- Units Overseas

Can't Find A Patriot?
The experienced researchers on the LRC may be able to assist.

Difficult AIR Letter?
Let the LRC team work with you to solve your problem.

Elusive Documents?
Seven geographical teams plus researchers in Salt Lake City and Washington DC can do "boots on the ground" research.

Need Reassurance?
Let us look for issues that might lead to an AIR letter or have a virtual consultation with a team member about your research problem.

Electronic Apps
Training and assistance in the preparation of eApps is available.

Analysis Problems
Need help preparing an analysis? Let our expert assist you.

Units Overseas
Our team can assist Units Overseas prepare applications & obtain documents.

More information:
Susan Johnston
National Chair

281-923-1201
LineageResearch@nsdar.org

members.dar.org

Scholarship Committee

Gail J. Bonath, Chair

The purpose of the DAR Scholarship Committee is to share information about scholarships offered by both the National Society and the Iowa Society with your chapter and with schools in the communities you serve. Scholarship chairs publicize the scholarships by emailing or writing letters to your local school counselors. You can find out who the counselors are by Googling the name of a school system, clicking on the link for the high school and then looking for the names and addresses of the high school counselor.

The ISDAR website contains a sample letter for school counselors and posters advertising both Iowa Society and National Society scholarships. Be sure to edit the posters to include the name of your scholarship chair, contact information, and chapter name.

NSDAR Scholarships

Each year the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) awards multiple scholarships to students showing dedication to the pursuit of higher education in diverse areas of study. DAR's scholarships are awarded and judged without regard to gender, race, color, religion, national origin, or disability. Applicants must be citizens of the United States.

For detailed information, applicants should access the NSDAR website <https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships>. All applications are submitted using the online portal <https://dar.academicworks.com> which opens November 1 and closes January 31 each year.

The DAR Scholarship Committee does not process DAR Good Citizens, American Indian, or DAR School scholarships.

ISDAR Scholarships

The Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution awards two scholarships for graduating high school students who plan to attend a U.S. Department of Education accredited school of post-secondary education.

The two scholarships awarded by the Iowa Society are the ISDAR Scholarship and the Amelia Jenks Bloomer Scholarship. Each scholarship is \$1000. The criteria and the application process are the same for both scholarships. Your chapter may nominate only one student for each scholarship. You may nominate the same student for both scholarships if you wish.

The scholarship fund is intended to assist worthy young people to complete a higher education. The applicant must be an American citizen, an Iowa resident and be of good character.

Completed applications for Iowa Society scholarships are due to the Scholarship Chair by February 1.

For additional information see the scholarship page on the ISDAR website: http://www.isdar.org/members/ISDAR_Committee_Files/2022/DAR_Scholarship.html

Women's Issues Committee

Linda Harvan, Chair

I invite all Iowa chapters to participate in the various opportunities to celebrate and care for women using tools from the Women's Issues committee. Shine a spotlight on one of the committee's focus issues by planning a [program](#) or [service project](#). Include a [Women's Issues Minute](#) in the regular agenda. Ideas around [monthly themes](#) are easy to download and share from the committee website.



Two newer ways to engage members are the [Sparkle a Spangle Plan](#) and the [Financial Literacy Challenge](#). A Spangle is a Senior chapter member who is homebound and cannot attend chapter meetings. They have so much to offer, so let's try to keep them engaged in the chapter.

[Professional Mentoring](#) supports ***Celebrating and Caring for Women*** through coaching and mentoring which allows members to learn from one another, reinforces our ties of service and friendship, and encourages professional development. The committee encourages members to complete their profile with their professional experience on the [DOC](#). This is a great way to learn about each other and connect with potential mentors and mentees.

Members are invited to enter the Celebration Essay Contest. Entries are due by **January 15, 2024**, to the chairman at linda.harvan@gmail.com. Essays may be written about any subject within the four national categories: Physical Health, Mental Health, Career, and Family. Participants are encouraged to consider using this year's National Theme of ***Celebrating and Caring for Women***. The [contest instructions](#) and [entry form](#) are available in the members' section of the national website. Last year Iowa sent three state winning essays to the North Central Division Vice Chair and one of those went on to be judged at the national level. Please encourage your members to take the time to share their experiences and enter the essay contest!

The Women's Issues Committee has an award program to fund grants made to 501(c)(3) organizations helping indigent, homeless female veterans. [Vivian's Outreach to Women \(VOW\)](#) will help organizations providing medical and educational services, childcare, housing, clothing, food, or other needs assisting women veterans to become self-sufficient in their communities. [Instructions and a timeline](#), a [Self-Evaluation form](#) to determine eligibility, and the [VOW Award Application](#) can all be found on the committee webpage. The deadline for submission to the state chair at linda.harvan@gmail.com is **November 1, 2023**.

Two places to find more information about the Women's Issues Committee are the [committee webpage](#) on the National Website (<https://www.dar.org/members/committees/service-committees/womens-issues/womens-issues-committee>) and the [Women's Issues Committee page](#) on the DOC. The DOC page contains additional ideas for meaningful service and a way to share your chapter programs and service projects with other members. Committee leadership will also provide social media messages around the monthly themes which can be shared with your chapter.

Please share program and service project ideas and photos of your chapter's activities with the committee via email to Linda Harvan linda.harvan@gmail.com.

Iowa Room

Nancy Geiger, Chair



During the 2023 Continental Congress, there were Open House events for most of the DAR Museum Period Rooms. ISDAR's room - The Iowa Room - was included and State Regent Edee Brunia served as hostess. The event attracted members from ten different State Societies.

Mrs. Brunia is pictured here with guest Mr. Patrick Sheary, DAR Museum's Furnishings Curator, who spent time gladly answering questions concerning the room's furnishings. In the picture also are the portraits of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Little of Newbury, MA. These profile portraits, drawn in charcoal on pink paper, were donated by the Iowa Society in the 1970's. The doll is wearing a reproduction costume made from actual 18th century fabrics. The child's armchair is mahogany with an upholstered seat.



The descriptions of the portraits, doll and armchair presented here are mere small nuggets of the wonderful Iowa Room Committee documentation created and preserved by my predecessors. I thank them all for their care in serving the Iowa Society and the Iowa Room!



Across the State

Ladies of the Lake Submitted by Carolyn DeLay



Ladies of the Lake Chapter, DAR, members Carolyn DeLay, Rita Brockshus, Kae Hoppe, and Mary Thunhorst cleaned the gravestones and tidied the grave area today of Abbie Gardner Sharp and her other family members near the historic Gardner Cabin in Arnolds Park, IA.

Seven members and one prospective member of the Ladies of the Lake chapter met June 13 for a picnic at the shelter near the Abbie Gardner Cabin. Margo Sievers gave a short presentation on the flag. Ed Purdy, Docent for the day for the Abbie Gardner Cabin gave a talk about little known



facts about the Spirit Lake Massacre. After the meeting the members visited the newly cleaned graves of Abby and her 2 sons, the Gardner and Luce cabins DAR markers, visited the Abbie Gardner cabin, and museum looking at articles watching a video about the massacre.



The Ladies of the Lake met for their July meeting at the Freedom Quilt Factory near Varina. They learned about the Freedom Quilts and how to tie quilts from the ladies there. They shared the tying, laughter, fun, and a potluck lunch with all the ladies that took their time to teach chapter members. Freedom Quilts, Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the mission of comforting mourning families. Throughout the past years, efforts have been dedicated to those families who have lost a loved one in the 9/11 tragedy and to the families of our fallen soldiers. Through the gift of a quilt, we strive to comfort these families and preserve the honor and memory of their loved ones.



Ten members and prospective members met at the One and One Chinese restaurant for lunch Tuesday August 8 with a short business meeting. Those who wanted to go went on the Queen II for a boat ride on West Okoboji, followed by a snack in Arnolds Park.

Across the State

Camp Dodge

Submitted by Karla Wright

It was a busy summer for the Camp Dodge Chapter daughters as we focused on service and friendship. Members provided helping hands at three Iowa Gold Star Military Museum events -- on Memorial Day, at the Vietnam Living History Days, and for the Korean War Veterans Recognition. Members donned 1776 era attire and represented DAR in the State Fair Parade. We were invited to present a program about the DAR at the Joint Military Retiree Appreciation Day in Des Moines. We enjoyed a tour of the Ankeny Area Historical Society Museum at our June meeting. And last, but not least, four new members by application and three new members by transfer were welcomed into the newly organized Camp Dodge Chapter, NSDAR!



Karla Wright, Sharleen Newton and Susan Ohnysty at the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum – Representing!



Kennetha Klein (on right) pinned and welcomed the Vietnam Veteran husband of Camp Dodge Chapter member Ella Evans.



Gerry Bauman and Janet Blaess visit with Korean War Veteran Jake Chapman.



Iowa Society DAR State Fair Parade Chairman, Kathy Lynn, organized and managed a spectacular DAR parade entry. Way to Represent!

Across the State DeShon

Submitted by Briana Johnson



DeShon Chapter received the NSDAR America 250! Celebration Grant to purchase display materials and handouts for a public booth. They set up at their county fair and showcased DAR member information as well as Cole School, their historic one-room school.

Across the State

Hannah Lee

Submitted by Joy Bahnemann

1. On Saturday, August 19, 2023, several enthusiastic Hannah Lee Chapter members represented the DAR in the 45th Annual Czech Days Parade in Protivin, IA. The event featured a celebration of history, culture, arts and crafts, homemade food, and traditional Polka music. Chapter member Valerie Pecinovsky and her husband Ron provided the truck and hay trailer for the parade.



2. At the August 5, 2023, Chapter meeting, Peggy Harvey, Regent, Hannah Lee Chapter, awarded Anniversary Certificates to Mary Anne Illiff who celebrated 60 years of membership in DAR and Marilyn Holland, Chapter Chaplain, for 65 years of membership in DAR! Mary Anne Illiff previously served as Chapter Treasurer and Marilyn Holland formerly served as the Chapter Regent from 1996 – 2002.



Czech Days Parade



Sue Holthaus on the left, Hailey Novak on the right, Chaplain Marilyn Holland performing the ceremony, and Regent, Peggy Harvey in the background.

3. Hannah Lee Chapter honored two new members at the August meeting. Eighteen-year-old Hailey Novak, granddaughter of long-time member and current Registrar Wendy Novak, and Sue Holthaus. Ms. Novak is attending college in the fall, and Ms. Holthaus recently served on the planning committee with the City of Decorah Park and Recreation to build the Winneshiek County Veterans Memorial to honor each known Winneshiek County Veteran. Chaplain Marilyn Holland conducted


the new member ceremony. Regent Peggy Harvey, and all chapter members welcomed Ms. Novak and Ms. Holthaus to the Chapter.

4. The Hannah Lee Chapter Secretary, Julie Vogel, and new member committee participants recently distributed tri-fold brochures and Free Genealogy Workshop flyers and posters inviting women in northeast Iowa to "Find your Revolutionary War Ancestor". The goal of the workshop was to find potential members from women in six counties of the northeast corner of Iowa. The

Free Genealogy Workshop
FOR WOMEN IN NORTH EAST IOWA COMMUNITIES

"Find your Revolutionary War Ancestor"


Sponsored by the
Hannah Lee Chapter
Daughters of the American Revolution



Thursday, August 17th
Visit between 3:00pm - 6:00pm

Decorah Public Library
Downstairs Public Room
202 Winnebago St., Decorah, IA

*Bring your tablet/laptop, family trees, family bibles, abits, etc.
(Genies and some laptops will be available)
*Attendees' names will be entered into a drawing for a gift card. Need not be present to win.



DAR
Daughters of the American Revolution



free workshop was held on Thursday, August 17th from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Decorah Public Library. Chapter leaders were on hand to introduce attendees to the organization and the process of joining DAR and the activities of the local chapter. Lineage researchers were available to assist those who brought family tree information to the meeting.

5. On June 3, 2023, Hannah Lee Chapter Regent Peggy Harvey



Super 8 (Peter Amin)



HyVee (Adriana Cervantes)



Veteran Parking sign

presented a “Superhero” certificate to the Decorah, IA HyVee supermarket #1120 store manager, Adriana Cervantes in recognition of their Outstanding Support of Area Veterans, Active-Duty Military, EMTs, Police, and Fire Fighters. HyVee offers a reserved parking spot for veterans, law enforcement, and first responders. Ms. Cervantes accepted the certificate with thanks and appreciation. In July, Regent Harvey awarded the “Superhero” certificate to the Decorah, IA Super 8 Hotel manager, Peter Amin, for also having a reserved parking spot for veterans.

6. Former Hannah Lee Chapter member, Maureen Michel was presented with the Community Service Award at the Chapter’s June meeting for her creation of Decorah Rocks. Decorah Rocks were introduced in 2020 during covid-19 to help the community cope with social isolation. Community participants found a smooth rock, painted it with



Vice Regent, Joy Bahnemann, seated, Regent, Peggy Harvey giving certificates, and member Maureen Michel.

a picture or message, hid the rock, and when others found them, they posted a message on Facebook. The finder either kept the rock or found a place to hide it for others to enjoy. Hundreds of followers in Decorah, IA enjoyed the artistic endeavor, and the “hunt” for painted rocks. At the same meeting, Ms. Michel was also awarded the certificate for her 10-year membership in DAR. Ms. Michel relocated to Missouri last July but returned to Iowa to visit family and friends and to accept her awards.

7. Hannah Lee Chapter Regent Peggy Harvey and Vice Regent Joy Bahnemann joined in the festivities of the Decorah, IA Memorial Day Parade by riding in a 1966 Ford Fairlane featuring DAR signs on the 2-door sedan. Prospective member Kandi Sheffield and her daughters walked



Regent, Peggy Harvey in car, Vice Regent, Joy Bahnemann, in the car with a flag in her face.

behind the car and distributed Hannah Lee Chapter brochures to parade watchers. Later that day, Chapter Registrar Wendy Novak, and her husband Perry, participated in the ribbon cutting ceremony and dedication of the Winneshiek County Veterans Memorial. The Novak's generously supported the construction of the Memorial located at the Mary Christopher Park.



Ribbon Cutting featuring Perry Novak on far left and wife/member Wendy Novak to the right slightly in the background in blue slacks.

8. The DAR Good Citizenship Award and medal was given to Kennady Riehle, daughter of Ron & Sarah Riehle, Decorah. Pictured with Kennady is Decorah Middle School teacher and Hannah Lee Chapter member, Sarah Nowack. This medal is presented to a student who exemplifies the qualities of honor, service, courage, leadership, and patriotism. This year's recipients were: North Fayette Valley 8th grader, Jisela Schupbach, daughter of Nathan & Melissa Schupbach and Postville 8th grader, Toryn Timp, daughter of Jeremy & Denise Timp. The Outstanding Work in American History Award is given to a High School Junior or Senior who fulfills the

qualities of honor, service, courage, leadership, and patriotism. This year's recipients are: Postville Senior, Quentyn Dennis, son of Darrin & Brenda Dennis, and North Valley Fayette Juniors, Nick Hobenbrink and Scott Hobenbrink, sons of Mike & Nichol Hobenbrink.

Good Citizen award and medal to Kennady Riehle pictured with teacher and chapter member, Sarah Nowack.



Across the State

Anna Maria Lane Submitted by Shelley Wells

New member, Kathy Paul, wasted no time organizing and designing a float for this year's parade season. She asked the local North Union High School art students led by teacher, Wava Jarr, to design a center mural that was 4 foot by 6 foot, to be used as a focal point for the float. A Revolutionary Soldier with a canon holding a flag was this year's inspiration. The float carried a homemade cannon equipped with canon balls and tombstones of the chapter patriots. A DAR commemorative grave stake holding a Betsy Ross flag was placed at the site of the graves. A sign listing all chapter patriots was aboard the float. This way the chapter was able to honor all member's patriots, helping to inspire patriot legacies and getting the community excited about celebrating the upcoming semiquincentennial in 2026. The float made its debut after a lengthy rain delay on June 24 at the Swea City Fun Days in Swea City, Iowa. The next parade was in Armstrong, Iowa on July 4th, where the float won second place in the Organization category. The chapter celebrated by winning \$100.

A total of 826 Betsy Ross flags were handed out during the two parades and was the first time in the community's history that DAR was represented.



Nikki Carranze and Brenna Ross.

Not pictured, Natasha Donnelly and Hannah Nielsen



Shelley Wells (Regent) and Kathy Paul



Across the State

Elizabeth Ross

Submitted by Sharon Greenlee



Elizabeth Ross was honored to present the **Junior ROTC and Cadet medal** to Cadet Josselyn Alonso-Rivers from Ottumwa High School at an Awards Ceremony in May.

Recognizing our Veterans

For Memorial Day Elizabeth Ross honored Veterans by displaying Missing Man Tables at a local restaurant.

The chapter also **visits the local Veteran's Administration Clinic** several times to thank all the Veterans for their service.

Elizabeth Ross will celebrate **Constitution Week** by donating several youth books to the Ottumwa Library.



Across the State

Mason City

Submitted by Diane Murphy

Summer was a busy time for the Mason City Chapter. We participated in the Clear Lake July 4th parade again and it was a warm wonderful day. As is our tradition our July meeting was a potluck and everyone brought items for our Hero Baskets; grab, and go snacks for heroes in our area. This year our baskets went to our area urgent care, emergency room and CCU at Mercy Hospital North Iowa. We also held back half of the donations for a project at KCMR Radio that was supporting the military. The program, Boxes to Boots, included snacks, personal care items and activity books that were sent to the National Guard 1133rd Transportation Unit that is serving in Poland. The ladies were excited to be able to support all these groups.

At our July meeting we welcomed our newest member, Jan Lukes. Jan has jumped right in and is becoming an active member of the chapter. She is also talking with other family members about joining.

In August we traveled to Forest City to visit the Winnebago Mansion Museum which was very interesting. The Mansion Museum is the home of the Winnebago Historical Society. It was built at the turn of the century as the home of banker Charles J. Thompson. The museum, in addition to being a beautiful example of neoclassical architecture, is also currently home to a variety of unique and rare collections and exhibits. The area is rich in history and our ladies were surprised at the variety of items in the collection. Please visit their website if you would like more information. <https://www.forestcityia.com/visit/attractions/mansion-museum/>



Hero Baskets
Valerie Edison, Marian Lenz,
Sydney Schilling (visitor), Jan Lukes,
and Tammy Orte

New Member Jan Lukes
Jan Lukes and Valerie Edison



Mansion Museum Forest City
Nancy Marsh, Marcia Waugh (guest), Jan Lukes, Diane
Murphy, Patty Oelberg, Martha Hansen, Tammy Orte, Valerie
Edison, Lyn Johnson, Marian Lenz, and Anne Cooper





Carla Lown and Debbie Crawford, Regent

New Members Welcomed

The Cedar Falls Chapter continues to grow in membership. We are pleased to announce that three new members were approved on April 5, 2023 and one on July 5th by NSDAR. They were welcomed into the chapter with an Induction Ceremony. The new members are: Connie Ginther, Sandra Lawry, Carla Lown, and Kristin Humke. It is really exciting when our current members share their enthusiasm for the DAR with their friends, coworkers and family.

Cedar Falls Chapter National Defense Awards

The Cedar Falls Chapter recognized four individuals with National Defense awards this year. The following awards were presented:

Gold ROTC Award was presented to Cadet Whitley J. Galbraith from the University of Northern Iowa.

Silver Outstanding Cadet award was presented to Major Sarah A. Earnhardt from the Black Hawk County Composite Squadron for the Civil Air Patrol. This is the first year that our chapter recognized someone with the Silver medal.

Bronze ROTC Awards were presented to Cadet Amy Vasquez from Waterloo East High School. An award was also presented to Cadet Rykyn Davidson from Waterloo West High School.

This year's awards were presented by Lorelei Redfern, National Defense Committee Chairperson; Debbie Crawford, Regent; and Jeverna Mulligan, Registrar.

Memorial Day Parade

The Cedar Falls Chapter of the NSDAR participated in the Memorial Day parade in Waterloo, Iowa this year. Our chapter had 10 members participate, one HODAR, and two SAR members. We look forward to working more closely with the SAR members that live in the area. This was the first time that we used the new chapter DAR banner. The chapter's Chaplain Heidi Warrington was the Master of Ceremonies for the program after the parade.



Across the State

Onawa

Submitted by Lori Bermel

The Onawa Chapter had a busy summer full of activities! The members collected over thirty packets of vegetable seeds for the Roots & Rows home gardening program at Hindman School. This program encourages community members to grow their own food with the support of educational classes.

We also took part in the National Historic Marker Day and cleaned the DAR Lewis and Clark monument at Lewis and Clark State park. The marker looks better than ever for all of those visiting. We hope to do some more improvements this next year.

The Onawa members celebrated Flag Day with a salad luncheon. We also had the honor of inducting a new member. It was a wonderful meeting filled with great food and fellowship.



L-R Lori Bermel, Donna Goslar, Andrea Perry, Peggy Peppitt and taking photo Jennie Mc Cartney.



Abigail Adams Chapter Dedicates Grave Marker

On a beautiful windy Sunday afternoon, June 25, 2023, six members of Abigail Adams Chapter gathered at the Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Marion County, Iowa, to remember past Regent, Ella Colvin Erskin, and dedicate the DAR marker now affixed to her gravestone. Those who gathered were: Regent Luanne Baker, Honorary State Regent Cindi Carter, Laura Kozin, Pat Barry, Ann Mack, and Sharon Payne (whose husband, Craig, took the photos). Mrs. Carter had known Ella and shared a few memories:



Ella joined the Abigail Adams Chapter, NSDAR, in June of 1969. She served the Chapter in various committees and offices culminating with Chapter Regent from 1976-1977. Ella was instrumental in assisting Cindi with her application papers which led to her joining Abigail Adams in 1977. Ella went on to serve the State Society on various

committees and was the State Recording Secretary. Cindi well remembers at State Conference Ella typing up the day's minutes well into the wee hours of the morning (no computers in those days!). Cindi will always remember Ella's sense of humor and her willingness to help prospective and new members.



As our tribute included, "A tangible tribute to her service is this grave marker approved by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. An intangible tribute to Ella Colvin Erskin is our commitment to continue her pursuit of excellence in all endeavors."

Mrs. Erskin photo from her 2010 Obituary.

Stamps for the Wounded



Abigail Adams Service for Veterans Committee is collecting postage stamps, philatelic materials from stamp collections, and unused stamps purchased from the post office.

Collected items are sent to Stamps for the Wounded, a non-profit service organization dedicated to providing comfort and stimulating activity to America's veterans through stamp collecting.

To date, Abigail's ladies have donated 9,955 stamps from throughout the world!

Members of Service for Veterans Committee gather Stamps for the Wounded. Stephanie Caffrey, Jennifer Rebel, Renee Brandow

2023 Revolutionary Dames Activities



Revolutionary Dames was pleased to donate \$700 toward the Bremer County Historical Society's "East Wall Foundation Restoration Project", which was completed in early spring of 2023.



Revolutionary Dames member, Anna Everding turned 95 in April. Chapter members surprised her with coffee and treats at the local Hy-Vee store. Shown left to right are: Nancy Nielsen; Karen Brandt, Treasurer; Anna's son, Gary; and Rita Ruth, regent.



In preparation for Memorial Day, Revolutionary Dames Chapter with the help of Girl Scout troop 2527 placed 57 United States flags on deceased chapter member's graves in Harlington Cemetery, Waverly.



Barb Glasener, Revolutionary Dames' Registrar took part in the WAVP veterans Memorial Day program held in Waverly.




In July, Revolutionary Dames Chapter built a float & participated in the Janesville Days Parade. We are presently raising funds to replace the damaged historic plaque placed June 21, 1913 by DAR, commemorating the Indian Scare of 1854 at Fort John in Janesville, Iowa.



Across the State

Lawrence Van Hook Submitted by Lawrence Van Hook Chapter

We invite Iowa Daughters to join us on October 21 at 1:00 p.m., for the dedication of a DAR plaque on James Lawrence Van Hook's grave site. On July 29, members of the Historic Preservation committee met at the Andrew Cemetery to affix the plaque to our namesake's gravestone and tidy up the cemetery.



October 21, 2023
1:00 p.m.

please join our Chapter for the
**James Lawrence
Van Hook
Grave Marker
Dedication**

Andrew Cemetery
300 East Madison Street
Andrew, Iowa



Children of the American Revolution Committee--Iowa C.A.R. recently held its State Packet Meeting at the Gold Star Museum. State President Abby Johnson helped members and seniors learn more about the State and National Programs and Projects. For their service project, members decorated mouse pads for users of Veterans Tech Support.

Kudos to Paige Perry (a DAR State Convention Junior Page) on being named Regional Enthusiast at the Great Plains/ Great Lakes Regional Meeting.



Across the State

Martha Washington

Submitted by Marta Nelson

Food and Fellowship

Martha Washington Chapter beat the winter blahs by meeting for dinner in March at restaurant Table 32. We had a great mix of members, prospectives and even a HODAR! It was a great spirit lifter in messy March.



JROTC Medal Presentation

Vice Regent Elizabeth Rosenbaum attended the JROTC Awards Banquet in May representing Martha Washington Chapter to present the JROTC medal. Antonia Venturi, our honoree, is a dynamo. The JROTC staff wrote, "Her finest qualities are commitment, loyalty and teamwork. Her involvement as a drill team competitor has been a critical factor of the corps' winning record at EVERY drill competition. . . . She was selected to fill the Flight Sergeant position in Bravo Flight, meaning she leads and mentors their first year cadets; this is the most important job in the corps – forming the cadets of tomorrow."

Vice Regent Elizabeth Rosenbaum with 2023 JROTC Medal winner Antonia Venturi

WWII Vet Presented Quilt of Valor

In appreciation of Homer George's service to our country as an Army Technical Sergeant during WWII (1944-1946), a Quilt of Valor was presented to him with help from the volunteers at the Siouxland Freedom Park, the American Legion, and personal friends. The quilt was made by Martha Washington member Marion Cain.

It all started with a wrong number – that turned out to be the right one after all. Homer's wife Sandy called the business owned by Marion and her husband by mistake. They chatted for a bit, and Marion took on the task of sewing a quilt and organizing the presentation.



*Marion Cain, Sandy George
& Homer George*



*Legion Members turned
out for the presentation*

Never Forget Garden Memorial Stone

After struggling with delays due to weather and difficulties had by our volunteer installers, our Memorial Plaque was installed at our Never Forget Garden at Siouxland Freedom Park in South Sioux City, Nebraska. The stone was in place for Memorial Day. Our Celebration 250 grant will go to installing a commemorative bench in the garden.

This is the third summer for our Never Forget Garden. Project chairman Marion Cain oversees a network of volunteer help that includes community group South Sioux Chamberettes and even some city employees. Thanks, Marion!



Never Forget Garden Monument (our new plants were barely out of the ground!)

New Member Welcome

We were excited to welcome two new members at our August meeting – mother and daughter pair Carol Jo Schneider and Joellen Marie Schneider Harvey. They commute from the towns of LeMars and Orange City. Welcome, ladies!



Registrar Vivian Adams, Regent Marta Nelson, Carol Schneider, Joellen Schneider Harvey And Co-Chaplain Brooke Redwine



Carol Schneider & Joellen Schneider Harvey

Across the State Candle-Stick

Submitted by Linda Allan



Signing in and visiting during the pinnings



Just finished with the pinning

Candle-Stick Chapter recently became a Vietnam War Commemorative Partner. On August 8th six members joined with Franklin County Veterans Affairs to help sponsor and serve the Quarterly Picnic at Harriman Park in Hampton, IA. Approximately 75 Vets and guests enjoyed great fellowship alongside their grilled burgers, baked beans and potato salad with melon for dessert.

Regent Linda Allan, gave a short message of appreciation for all Veterans present and especially for our Vietnam Era Veterans and their families. The special Vietnam Veteran pin was pinned on to 31 Veterans present that evening in recognition and appreciation of their military service and personal sacrifices during the Vietnam Era (November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975.)



Candle Stick Chapter DAR - Hampton began promoting Constitution Study with the opening of Summer Reading at Coulter Public Library. This year's theme was "Find Your Voice", which seems like a perfect tie-in with the upcoming election season. The display will remain at least until the end of September.

Across the State

Priscilla Alden Submitted by Mary Petersen

Priscilla Alden Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution honored deceased member, Delight Howe Boylan Phelps, who was the granddaughter of revolutionary patriot, Joseph Jeffers. The DAR designated Mrs. Boylan-Phelps as a **Real Granddaughter**.

A ceremony at the gravesite at the Carroll City Cemetery was conducted by Chapter Chaplain, Janice Brandt. A flower bouquet was laid at the headstone. Those attending were members, Mary Petersen, Connie Holmes, Mary Ealy, Cammy Brandt, Corinne Bancroft, and Marjorie Jurgensen.

Delight Howe Boylan-Phelps was born 29 May 1838 at Black River, Jefferson County, NY and died the 12 of March 1923 at Carroll County, Iowa. She was the daughter of Gedeon Howe and Mary Jeffers. Mrs. Boylan's granddaughter was Daisy Salinger Minchen who lived in the Carroll Minchen House until her death.

In 1937 members of Priscilla Alden had marked the grave with the pictured marker. That marker is no longer at the grave and the current chapter members are investigating where the marker could be.



Across the State

Nancy McKay Harsh

Submitted by Jan Morgan



In July we had an entry into the Massena 4th of July parade. We also had a booth at the Adair County Fair in Greenfield Iowa on July 12-16. We handed out note pads and water for the adults that stopped by and tattoos for the kids. A few women had some interest in joining DAR. We talked with some veterans and handed out cards with the Preamble, Pledge or Creed on them. We felt like it was a success.

In August, the Nancy McKay Harsh daughters toured Lexington, Mo. We visited the Madonna, museums and had lunch at a bank turned into a restaurant. Our tour guide, Annie Durigan, a Missouri DAR past National Chair for the Madonna, did an awesome job in taking us to places of interest around Lexington.



Nancy McKay Harsh daughters at the Madonna in Lexington Mo. L to R: Jane Briley, Jan Morgan, Pam Marvin, and Suzanne Adkisson.



L to R: Pam Marvin, Jan Morgan, Annie Durigan (MSDAR), Jane Briley and Suzanne Adkisson.

DAR VAVS Representative

Iowa City VA Healthcare System Submitted by Joyce Mandel

SERVING OUR VETERAN HEROS – in and near Iowa City



There are many ways DAR members can serve Veterans (our nation's heroes) by helping a local VA facility!

The Iowa City VA Health Care System offers a wide range of health, support, and facility services for Veterans in eastern Iowa, and nearby States. The main location of this System is the Iowa City VA Medical Center (on Highway 6). Regional Iowa Clinics within this System are located in Iowa City Federal Building, Burlington, Cedar Rapids, Coralville, Davenport, Decorah, Dubuque, Ottumwa, and Waterloo. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information about these and other locations.

There are fifteen (15) DAR Chapters in Iowa that are located within an hour's drive of at least one of these locations. Please consider supporting one or more of these facilities as a DAR Chapter project!

Once each quarter, DAR Representatives (along with representatives from many other local civic organizations) meet with the VA Center for Development and Civic Engagement ([CDCE](#)) to learn about new and urgent volunteer opportunities.

At the most recent VA Volunteer Services ([VAVS](#)) quarterly meeting for the Iowa City System, the following opportunities were reviewed.

1. There is an on-going need for more volunteers at the Iowa City VA Medical Center. Critical roles needed to be filled are information desk "Ambassadors" (shifts include evening and weekends), and "Patient Escorts" (particularly on Monday and Friday afternoons).
2. The following VA regional locations are urgently in need of driver volunteers to get patients to their appointments: Cedar Rapids, Quad Cities, Waterloo, Fort Madison, Dubuque (Fridays only) and Benton County.
3. A new VA Clinic facility is planned to open soon in Decorah. A DAR Chapter could sponsor a grand opening by offering sheet cake and coffee/water service to welcome VA patients.
4. The Compassionate Contact Corps (CCC) is a new virtual program that matches a volunteer with a Veteran who is experiencing loneliness or is socially isolated. In this one-on-one role, the DAR volunteer would commit to making a weekly phone call to the Veteran to provide socialization and companionship.
5. Veteran's Day will be celebrated at the Iowa City Medical Center on Thursday, November 9th and throughout that week at the regional locations. Please consider sponsoring a scheduled Veteran's Day activity at a clinic near your DAR Chapter and welcoming patients with a grateful heart for their service to our Country!

6. Donation items currently needed at most VA locations include:

- \$10 and \$20 Hy-Vee gift cards
- 5G TracFones (do not activate) and TracFone service cards
- Practical shoes (new) of all sizes for Men and Women
- Activities for waiting rooms and longer-term care patients such as playing cards, adult coloring books, crosswords, paperback books, and washable markers. These items must be new.
- New clothes, season appropriate for one particular person – all packaged up in a drawstring bag. Think of one person, and fill a drawstring bag with t-shirts, shorts, sweatpants, sweatshirts, underwear, and socks. All items must be new. There can be no logos – everything should be plain. Sizes needed are Medium through 3XL, Gender-neutral, preferred.

To learn more about becoming a volunteer for the Iowa City VA System [CLICK HERE](#).

If you are an **active volunteer for the VA**, or if you would like more information about opportunities to serve the VA in Eastern Iowa, please contact Joyce Mandel, DAR VAVS Representative for the Iowa City VA Health Care System, at darvavsic@gmail.com.

Thank you!

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