

Quarterly Newsletter from the Towa Society Daughters of the American Revolution



Dear Iowa Daughters,

It is almost time for State Conference. I hope that many of you are planning to attend. Our Guests this year will be: Ginger Trader, Historian General. Ginger will be the Key-Note speaker at our Friday Night Banquet. Beverly Moncrieff, State Regent of California and Donna Weaver, State Regent of Wyoming.

I have double-booked myself on a few occasions, but luckily our State Vice Regent, Marsha Hucke, has been able to fill in. You will hear more of what I have been doing in my report at State Conference.

I am so proud to represent you at other State Conferences and NBOM.

Remember to get in your reservations for State Conference ASAP. There are some of the States that charge a late fee (double the registration fee).

Your State Officers have been working hard all winter on your behalf. Kudos to them.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

In DAR Love, Cindi Carter Iowa State Regent 2016-2018

"If we do not lay out ourselves in the service of mankind, whom shall we serve?" Abigail Adams

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SPECIAL NOTICE...

Remember: Annual Reports Needed by April 1

All Chapter Regents, State Chairmen and State Officers are to complete an annual report detailing the successes and activities of their chapter or committee or office for the Carter Administration proceedings book.

A special form is no longer required to complete these very important reports. These reports should be no longer than what you can reasonably share in the 2-minute time period allotted.

All reports to be given at State Conference need to be sent to this Officer, along with the State Regent, no later than April 1, 2017.

—Barbara MacDougall, State Recording Secretary Macarmy3@hotmail.com



From State Vice Regent... STATE CONFERENCE ATTENDEES PLEASE READ THE LIST BELOW AND ACT ACCORDINGLY!!!!

- 1. State Credentials form deadline: March 21. Form on ISDAR web site http://www.isdar.org/members/ISDAR Forms/State Vice Regent/2016/2017 State Conference Credentials.pdf
- 2.If you need table space at state conference, please let me know ASAP.
- 3. If you have items for the State Regent's Projects table, make sure your name and chapter name on the item.
- 4. The **ONLY CALL LETTER/RESERVATION** form is in this newsletter. **PLEASE READ THE DEADLINES FOR HOTEL AND MEAL RESERVATIONS** and these can be sent anytime prior to deadlines.



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Shopping at State Conference...



State Conference offers the chance to support the State Regent's Project. Erecting a monument at thee National Veterans cemetery in Van Meter, to "perpetuate the memory of (Revolutionary War) Soldiers and Patriots buried in Iowa" can only happen with your help.

State Vice Marsha Hucke has been gathering up items donated by members across the state. These will be on view at State Conference. Buying voices for those you admire may result in a surprise to take home from the conference. Larger items like the

handmade red, white & blue afghan and the Dresden plate quilt, will be drawn at the end of this State Regent's term. We also have 3 Longaberger baskets on silent auction and set of silver spoons; glassware; totes of all sizes, and so much more.

Other items are there, for the sharp buyer. Minimal cost keeps us all in participation of this effort. The ISDAR pen-stylus is \$2. A red ISDAR grocery tote is \$5, as is the white "right side" ribbon to hold your "extra" pins. The glam offering is the Rose pin, silver color with a pearl, for a \$10 donation. Wear one proudly to show your support.



We have items that would be great gifts to that special friend or family member for a birthday or a special occasion. The 'voices' are calling your name so come and SHOP AND SHOP TILL YOU DROP!!!

Do plan to visit the State Regent Project tables at State Conference. Help build the DAR monument for the National Veterans Cemetery.

—Marsha Hucke, State Vice Regent

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Hospitality Volunteers at State Conference

Iowa Daughters - This year at State Conference the SE and SW District will be hosting the Hospitality Room on Thursday and Friday night. We are looking for volunteers to help with set up, serving and clean up. Please let me know if you can help. Contact me Candacekmurray@gmail.com. Thank you!

—Candace Murray Southeast District Director

Across the state... ISDAR Ladies @ Work

Service Projects at Hannah Lee

Hannah Lee Chapter worked on several service projects at their December 3rd meeting in West Union.



Throughout the year, members have been making quilted Christmas stockings. At the meeting these were filled with various stocking stuffer items and will be distributed to veterans in several care centers across northeast Iowa. Sixty-six veterans at nine facilities will receive these stockings along with DAR member's thanks

for their service to our country.

Members also packed several boxes of items to be sent to active duty military personnel serving in Afghanistan and Kuwait. These will go to service men whose names have been brought forward by members of the chapter and will include enough contents to share with their unit members.

Again this year Hannah Lee Chapter has chosen to sponsor a family in need at Christmas time through Helping Services of Northeast Iowa. Items have been selected and were packed at the meeting.

Forty Christmas cards for members who live away from the area or were not able to attend the meeting were signed by those in attendance and readied for mailing.

Several members of Hannah Lee Chapter were recognized for milestone years of membership. Mary Anne Iliff was awarded a certificate for 50 years of membership. Others with fifty years of membership are JoAnn Carlson of Ankeny, LaFonda Meyer of Fayette, and Diane Yarcho of Shellrock. Genevieve Baker of Tuscon, AZ has 40 years membership. Thirty-year members are Frances Burns and Angie Reynolds both of Decorah. Certificates for these women will be mailed or presented at a future meeting.

Photo: Hannah Lee Chapter members packed boxes for active duty military in Afghanistan and Kuwait. Shown are prospective member Mindy Rhode of Hawkeye and Wendy Novak of Decorah.

Hannah Lee Chapter Announces Winner in History Essay Contest



Alex McGohan winner of the 2017 Hannah Lee Chapter DAR American History Essay Contest is the recipient of a certificate and badge from Hannah Lee Chapter American History Chairman Sarah Nowack. A 5th grade student at Decorah Middle School, McGohan is the son of Greg and LaDonna McGohan. McGohan's essay moves on to state competition.

Decorah Middle students participate in Hannah Lee Chapter DAR American History Essay Contest. From left: Contest winner advancing to state competition is Alex McGohan, Hannah

Lee Chapter American History Chairman Sarah Nowack, Grace Robinson's essay is advancing to state from 7th grade, Danielle Rix and Ki Vine were also participants in the essay contest.



Hannah Lee Chapter recently recognized students who participated in the local level of DAR's American History Essay Contest. Winner of the contest was Alex McGohan, Decorah Middle School 5th grade student and son of Greg and LaDonna McGohan. McGohan's essay will advance to state DAR competition. Grace Robinson's essay was selected for the state completion at the 7th grade level. She is the daughter of Brett and Jennaya Robinson. Other students submitting essays were Danielle Rix and Ki Vine.

The contest theme selected by the DAR this year was "Celebrating a Century: America's National Parks". Essays included why and when a particular national park was established and what makes it a national treasure. Hannah Lee Chapter sponsored the contest at Decorah Middle School. Winners move on to state competition, may advance to divisional and finally to national competition. National winners will be recognized at the DAR Continental Congress held in Washington, DC June 28 - July 2, 2017.

Hannah Lee Chapter member Sarah Nowack, a Decorah Middle School teacher serves as the chapter American History Chairman and coordinates this event. She presented certificates to the participants in addition to a medal for winner, Alex McGohan.



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Celebrating 50 Years of Service...

Hannah Lee Chapter Regent Rebecca McCabe of Cresco presents Mary Anne Iliff of West Union with a certificate noting her 50 years of DAR membership.

Veterans and Christmas Stockings

As in years past Hannah Lee Chapter made many quilted Christmas stocking during 2016. Their final project with the stockings took place in mid-December. DAR members visited care centers and assisted living facilities across northeast Iowa and delivered the stockings stuffed with interesting items for the veterans.

Stockings were delivered to veterans at three care centers in Oelwein by Virginia Larimer and prospective member Mindy Rhode. Rebecca McCabe and Wendy Novak visited veterans at two locations in Decorah. In Lansing, Mona Day distributed stockings to veterans at Thornton Manor Nursing Home. Veterans at three centers in West Union were visited by Mary Anne Iliff. Stockings were given out to more than 65 veterans.

At some locations, stockings were left with a staff member and were distributed to veterans from there. At others, a staffer took Hannah Lee members around to individual rooms so the stockings could be given out personally. The



veterans were pleased to have company, receive a gift and to talk with chapter members and even reminisce some about their military experience. Members found this very rewarding. However the stockings were given, veterans were very appreciative, as

shown through thank you messages from the centers or expressions of thanks that got back to Hannah Lee by word of month.

Hannah Lee Chapter member Virginia Larimer (center) and prospective member Mindy Rhode visit with Clifford Schlumbohm at Oelwein Health Care Center. They delivered one of Hannah Lee's special quilted Christmas stockings to him. Schlumbohm was surprised to receive the visit and the stocking full of goodies and shared about his time in the service.

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News From the Cedar Falls Chapter

In January, the Cedar Falls Chapter was proud to present Good Citizen Awards to area students. There were a total of eight high school seniors who qualified for this prestigious award and four of them were able to take time from their busy schedules to join us. The winner from our chapter, Jocelyn Roof, read her essay to the group. She attends Waterloo West High School. The committee chairperson for the Good Citizen Awards is Barbara Gregersen, our chapter vice-regent.

Our February meeting was very special because we were able to present a Community Service Award to a member of our community. Kim Burger Manning lives in Cedar



Falls and is manager for the Cedar Falls Tourism and Visitors Bureau. She volunteers for many community boards and committees in the Cedar Valley. In our chapter, Sue Soenen and Eleanor Vanous, are on The Community Service Committee and did a fantastic job on this

Photos: Top L-R, Nancy Lahr, Registrar; Gracelyn Surma, Columbus Catholic High School, Waterloo; Julie Jorgensen, Cedar Falls High School; Barbara Gregersen, Vice-Regent; Sue LeQuatte, Chapter Regent; Jocelyn Roof, Waterloo West High School; Jeverna Mulligan, Treasurer; Sue Soenen, Corresponding Secretary; Geneva Basye, Valley Lutheran High School, Waterloo; Bev Lambert, Chaplain. Bottom: Eleanor Vanous, Recording Secretary, congratulates Kim Burger Manning, recipient of the Community Service Award from Cedar Falls Chapter.

— Sue LeQuatte, Chapter Regent

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Spinning Wheel Chapter

The Spinning Wheel Chapter in Marshalltown hosted a Presidents Day party Saturday, February 18, in Malloy Hall at the Iowa Veterans Home. Residents were treated to root beer floats and music provided by guitarist Dave Gray, from State Center, shown on the Malloy stage.



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Hannah Caldwell Chapter Celebrates 120th Anniversary

The Hannah Caldwell Chapter, of Davenport, celebrated its 120th anniversary on January 14, 2017. The Chapter was organized on January 18, 1897. It was the 9th Chapter in Iowa and the 310th National Chapter.

Our Chapter was named after Hannah Caldwell, one of two women killed by the British during the Revolutionary War. Hannah was the great-grandmother of Mary Duncan Putnam, one of the founding members of our Chapter.

The members gathered in a festively decorated room, with a celebratory cake and a Chapter history handout. Historian Books, Chapter booklets, pictures, documents, flags, placards, 1902 gavel, and other memorabilia were on display. Mrs. Nola Gottschalk (past Chapter Regent, past Iowa State Regent, and past Vice President General) presented a program about the life and times of Mary Duncan Putnam. Mrs. Putnam was Iowa's founding mother and the first State Regent.

Today, the Hannah Caldwell Chapter continues its rich tradition of dedication to patriotism, education, historic preservation, and "Service to America!"

Hannah Caldwell Chapter Dedicates DAR Grave Marker for Patriot's Daughter

The Hannah Caldwell Chapter, of Davenport, sponsored the DAR marker on Ruth Kingsley Hitchcock's gravesite at Mountain View Cemetery in Bloomfield, Connecticut.

Ruth (1781-1865) was the daughter of Revolutionary War Soldier Pvt. Elijah Kingsley of the Massachusetts Militia and the 4th great-grandmother of Iowa Daughters Elise James and Barbara Gregersen. The picture shows Elise James (left), Vice Regent of the Hannah Caldwell Chapter and her sister, Barbara



Gregersen, Vice Regent of the Cedar Falls Chapter at the site during the dedication ceremony.

The Abigail Phelps Chapter of Simsbury, Connecticut performed the dedication program on September 29, 2016.

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Buena Vista Chapter Honors Forty Year Member On 100th Birthday

Marjorie Miller was honored on Wednesday,

January 18, 2017, by Buena Vista Chapter, DAR, for her 100th birthday. The gathering was held in the Solarium at Methodist Manor.

The group had fun reminiscing about the many activities Marjorie



was a part of during her 40 years membership in the local DAR chapter. She was first elected Regent in 1982 and served in that capacity a number of times, the most recent being a term in 2000 to 2002. Marjorie held a number of offices at the local and district level, as well as a state committee chairmanship. She enjoyed the State Conferences, especially the banquets with the chance to wear formal gowns.

And her favorite memory was attending Continental Congress at Constitutional Hall in Washington, DC. Marjorie was also honored with a card shower by state officers and members who were unable to attend.

Photo: (Front L-R) Donna Johnson, Marjorie Miller. (Back L-R) Delores Sievers, Ruth Stark, Sue Nielsen.

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Sun Dial Chapter

Michelle Ankrum of Marshalltown received the NSDAR Good Citizen Award on Saturday, February 11th at the Patriots Coffee during the Sun Dial Chapter meeting in Ames.



Michelle is President of the Deborah Sampson CAR

chapter in Ames. She is also First Vice President of the State Society. She has just become a new Junior member of the Spinning Wheel Chapter in Marshalltown.

Photo: (L-R) Susan Lawyer, Regent, Spinning Wheel Chapter; Whitney Hunt, Good Citizen Chairman, Spinning Wheel Chapter; Michelle Ankrum, and State Regent, Cindi Carter.

Across the state... ISDAR Ladies @ Work



Abigail Adams Chapter Purchases Books For School Library

Renee Brandow, Chapter Librarian and librarian of Moulton Elementary School, shows the treasure trove of books purchased by chapter donations for Literacy. Renee is also ISDAR Community Classroom Chairman.

Abigail's Ladies Taking DAR Mission To Heart

Evidence that members fully embrace the DAR mission, was on full display this winter. Abigail Adams Chapter gathered \$3,365.00 in gifts to support the Des Moines Vet Center.



The Vet Center is a resource for military members adjusting to civilian life. It is a program of the V e t e r a n s Administration.

Chapter donations enabled the families of two veterans to celebrate the holidays with plenty.

Applying cash to gift cards for Target and other stores, enabled the veterans to make the best choices for their children.

Gas cards were also provided for Vet Center patrons. The gas cards and a laundry basket full of toiletries will be used to support homeless vets or vets in need, throughout the year.

Many of our ladies put their skills to use, knitting numerous hats and mittens for the 'Sock it to Winter' drive to collect socks, gloves and hats for the homeless.

The Vet Center of Des Moines is one of four such locations in Iowa. Services free to veterans and their families include: Individual and group readjustment counseling; referral for benefits assistance; marital and family counseling; community education; job counseling and referral; bereavement counseling.

Our adoption of the Moulton Elementary School Library was launched with a Literacy fund drive. Chapter Librarian Renee Brandow is also the librarian at Moulton Elementary. In the years she's held that job, there has been no budget for books.

Lead by Literacy Chairman Nancy Mitchell, members donated over \$420.00. Members scooped up hand-knit washcloths Nancy made – many with DAR emblazoned on a map of Iowa. Combined with donations submitted with dues, generosity and wise buying made enough for a full series of science/biographies and other titles on the Moulton library "wish list".

This begins a continuing relationship, engaging us in the NDSAR Community Classroom program.

Photo: Nedra Markham (left) and Terry Lauritsen (right) deliver gifts to Katina Mach at the Des Moines Vet Center.

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Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter

We have welcomed two new members in the Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter. When new member is installed, she is given a booklet that contains her signed DAR application and copies of all of the proofs she had

submitted. She is also presented a DAR pin along with a folder containing the year book, Bylaws, and a past copy of the American spirit magazine. The new members are Kelly Franklin and Ranae Beard.



Photos: Top L-R, Connie Kinkade, Chapter Chaplain; Ranae Berard and Regent Jane Briley. Bottom L-R, Kelly Franklin, Marj Kinkade, Registrar and Connie Kinkade, Chaplain



The chapter was organized on November 17, 1923. At the 83rd birthday party, Marj Kikade had prepared a history of the chapter and read it to the members

Boswell Presents Pearl Harbor Program at Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter



The Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter hosted for mer Congressman Leonard Boswell to their meeting on December 3rd. He was there to speak about the 75th

Anniversary of Pearl Harbor but also gave high praise to all that the DAR does to keep these historical and patriotic dates at the forefront. His wife, Dody, also attended with him.

According to Wikipedia, "Boswell spent twenty years in the United States Army. He was first drafted in the Army in 1956 as a private. He later graduated from Artillery Officers Candidate School, eventually rising to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. During his military career he earned two Distinguished Flying Crosses, two Bronze Stars, the Soldier's Medal, and various other awards and decorations. He served two one-year tours of duty as an assault helicopter pilot in Vietnam. He also served two NATO tours of duty in Europe, first for four years in Germany, and later three years in Portugal. Additionally, he taught at the Army Command and General Staff College."

The Chapter also presented Mr. Boswell with an Operation LZ medal. The Vietnam Commemoration lapel pin was presented earlier.

Photo: Myrt Van Dyke (Chapter Veteran WWII), Dody Boswell, Judy McNamara, Leonard Boswell and Regent Jennifer Ewing



2016 Christmas at the Des Moines VA Hospital

Dedicated Daughters like Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter's VA Representative Judy McNamara continue to serve even on holidays to make sure hospitalized Veterans are not forgotten. On Christmas Day, Judy passed out 38 presents picked out specifically for each Veteran. Her son-in-law played Santa and her daughter was Mrs.

Claus, (Rich & Angie Combs). Thanks to them for sharing on such a special day!

Wreaths Across America Honoring Veterans

On Saturday, December, 17th, 2016, members of the Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter gathered along with other



organizations and the public to honor veterans during the holiday season as part of the annual Wreaths Across America Day.

Patrick J. Palmersheim continues to conduct the WAA ceremony; again this year at the Iowa Veterans Cemetery near Van Meter. The nearly 2,800 beautiful green wreaths with red bows add a beautiful contrast to the white marble stones and snow. It needs to be seen to appreciate the beauty of this project. For more information about the Wreath Across America, visit their web site http://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/

It was a blistery cold day (15° with wind gusts of 22 mph) so their service was even more appreciated. Thank you to Carol Bowers, Edee Brunia, Judy McNamara, Mike Rowley (SAR) and Evelyn Morgan.

November 17th Vietnam Pinnings

American Legion Post 663 of Urbandale hosted a Vietnam



Recognition program as part of their Thanksgiving meeting. Jean Marie Cardinell was on hand to help with the Commemorative lapel pinnings. DAR personalized certificates were prepared for 158 Vietnam Veterans who also received the Presidential Proclamation, bumper sticker and a flag sticker plus a fact sheet explaining the significance of the lapel pin.

Bev Neuroth led the team along with Susan Ohnysty and Madeline Allen. They always have a great connection with the Veterans and are always appreciated.

Daughters Newsletter

This NSDAR publication comes with American Spirit magazine. Each chapter can have one article per year. Check out the Jan/Feb issue for coverage of Jean Marie Cardinell's 75th Chapter Anniversary (pages 19 & 20).

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3rd Annual Blankets for Veterans



Lots of colorful fabric, lots of help and lots of busy hands made this a very productive meeting for the Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter, NSDAR, on Saturday, February 4th. This is the 3rd year the Chapter has tied fleece blankets for the VA Community Resource and Referral Center.

The center is located at 1223 Center St., Suite 17 in downtown Des Moines. The site provides to VA-eligible Veterans free walk-in showers, laundry, internet, phone and full range of services for homeless Veterans. The Veterans often state that they really appreciate the "new" fleece blankets. What could be better? The current officers brought delicious soups, salads, and fruit for a filling lunch.

And what do you do with the scraps of fleece? They were recycled into dog beds and mittens.

Photo: Kennetha Klein and Judy McNamara with a filled van, ready for blanket delivery.



The **Council Bluffs Chapter** will be participating with the DAR WW1 Centennial Commemoration on April 6th. Our reception will be held from 10:00 to 12:00 at the American Legion Memorial building in Atlantic, Cass County Iowa.

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Elizabeth Ross Chapter 120th Anniversary

Elizabeth Ross Chapter, of Ottumwa, in southeast Iowa, observed its 120th anniversary on Saturday, November 12, 2016. Twenty-one members — local and from out of state — celebrated the sixth chapter organized in Iowa in the 1890s, and now the fourth-oldest in the state. Everyone enjoyed a lovely luncheon, followed by a commemorative cake.

The chapter was delighted to host ISDAR State Vice-Regent Marsha Hucke, State Organizing Secretary Marlys Ankrum, and State Historian Marla Suter.

SAVE THE DATE

The Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs will host the 2017 Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day Remembrance Ceremony on Friday, May 5, 2017. The ceremony will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial located south of the Iowa State Capitol building in Des Moines.

This year's ceremony will also be recognizing a recently added name to the wall – that of James S McGough. His name was approved in 2016 to be added to the National Wall and now will be added to our Iowa wall. His family will be on hand for the dedication.

Candy Brown, Commemorative Chair for the Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter, has been asked to speak about the new 50th Commemoration Honor program. She will also recognize 15 family members in attendance with the "In Memory" certificates created by the Department of Defense. Other members of the Chapter will also be on hand to pin lapel pins on Vietnam Era Veterans.

For more background information on James S McGough, please visit www.virtualwall.org/dm/McGoughJS01a.htm



Prior chapter regent Mary Alice Sampson dressed in 1890s period costume to present a brief chapter history, while portraying the founding regent, Alice C. Mitchell. That same week, seven members had visited the grave of Mrs. Mitchell in a nearby town to rededicate her DAR marker.

Mrs. Sampson also presented a beautiful Patriot Tree, with a leaf for each patriot among the chapter-members. The tree hearkens to the Liberty Tree, an old Elm tree that stood near the Common in Boston, Massachusetts, under which patriots planned resistance activities in 1776.

Regularly, the Elizabeth Ross chapter enjoys hearing snippets from the minutes of its early meetings. The notations capture both delightful common-day moments and decisive actions in fascinating detail.

Photo: Members celebrate Elizabeth Ross Chapter's 120th Anniversary

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Okoboji Youth recognized for Helping Achieve Guinness Record

I'm sure you recall the Guinness Record set by the NSDAR at Continental Congress last year. Well, I took that a step further and ordered a participation certificate for the young people in my school that helped my chapter and the NSDAR with their letter contributions.

I taught 5th and 6th grade social studies in Okoboji Community Schools prior to retirement last spring. I approached my students with this project last March and they were happy to help out even though I told them they would not know if we achieved our goal of breaking the record until this school year. Once we did, I began thinking about what I could do to celebrate their contribution with them. There is a participation certificate that one could order on-line from Guinness I discovered. So, I got on the computer and ordered one for them. It finally came in January. I called our principal and asked if we could have an assembly, and he agreed to help in that area.

On February 6th, 2017, I went to school armed with the certificate and the You Tube video that the NSDAR put together to share with the students. We gathered in the gymnasium, I told them why I was there and showed them the video, followed by the presentation of the certificate. I am attaching a picture of the group (I'm right in the middle) and the certificate.

The certificate is on display in the school office and will be placed in their trophy case in the near future.

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trophy case in the near future. newspaper carried the story on the front page, the local radio station interviewed the principal and me, and the school posted it on their Facebook page. What awesome coverage for this achievement and the DAR!

— Mary Thunhorst, Regent

Vietnam Veterans Honored by the Ladies of the Lake Chapter



Ladies of the Lake Chapter held a Vietnam Veteran Commemoration event in Estherville, at the Veterans of the Foreign Wars event in November in conjunction with the Veterans Day observance.

Shown in the picture are Collette Travis, of Spirit Lake, Vietnam Veteran Commemoration Coordinator for the Ladies of the Lake DAR Chapter; Mary Thunhorst, of Spirit Lake, Chapter Regent; and Bonnie Amdahl, of Estherville, Honorary Regent and wife of Gilbert Amdahl who is with the Estherville VFW organization.

The observance of placing a pin in the pinning program each Veteran and telling each veteran "Thank You!" was appreciated by the many Vietnam Veterans and presenting them with a certificate signed by Mary Thunhorst, Regent, that they can frame was well received in a very memorable evening.

The members of Ladies of the Lake Chapter thank these women for completing this project. It involved over 100 hours of preparing and presenting the awards in our Service to America projects.

Find A Grave Virtual Cemetery

During District Tour last Fall, I had the opportunity to talk about a new Find A Grave Virtual Cemetery tool available to ISDAR members that would allow them to search for the graves of Iowa Real Daughters, Iowa Daughters (Small "r") real Daughters, and ISDAR members. I am pleased to announce that this tool is now available and populated with over 1,000 grave memorials. This tool has been almost exclusively developed through the tireless efforts of Jeanette Shannon and we all owe her a debt of gratitude for this tremendous accomplishment.

We will need all ISDAR members to help grow this Virtual Cemetery by going out into your local cemeteries, creating Find A Grave memorials for ISDAR members if they don't already exist, photographing the headstones with the DAR insignias in the pictures and then sending the Find A Grave memorial ID number to either Jeanette Shannon (jls37das@iowatelecom.net) or me (mlsuter@iowatelecom.net) so we can get them added to the ISDAR Virtual Cemetery.

This search tool is accessible to anyone with a Find A Grave account, if you don't have one, now is the time! Here are the quick and easy instructions to access these virtual cemeteries:

Log in to your Find A Grave account Click on Contributors tools Click on the edit button to the right of My Find a Grave Friends Click on Find Members In the Public Member Name block type "ISDAR", click on Search Click on "ISDAR" Click on Add to MyFriends

— Marla Suter State Historian

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Get Your Chapter In The Regent's Memory Book

Are 2 years of Remembering in your chapter activities?

I am compiling printed material for Cindi Carter to enjoy as memories of her term as Iowa State Regent. Membership obits are not to be recorded in this book. Need you and your chapter's help.

Please send your interesting DAR memorabilia with Cindi through the US postal system to:

Maria Whetsler, State Chairman

100 South 3rd Street

Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641-8446

—Maria Whetsler, State Chairman State Regent's Memory Book

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Genealogy Preservation Volunteers at Work on 6 Million Documents!

A big THANK YOU to the Iowa DAR ladies who are volunteering for the DAR Genealogy Preservation project! Hear my report at State Conference!

DAR can always use more volunteers for this project as they have around 6,000,000 supporting documents to index (births, deaths, marriages, etc.). Volunteering is easy! Send an email to darprojects@dar.org. Type "Volunteering for SD Project" in the subject line. In the body give your name & national number. Please indicate whether you've ever had access to emembership. You'll then receive an email letting you know that your access to the project has been set up and you may start.



You work at your own pace on the computer. The site is open 24/7.

—Pam Marvin, Chairman Genealogy Preservation Committee



ISDAR Board & Committees..

Iowa Member Special Anniversaries

You are invited to join in congratulating these Iowa Daughters on achieving milestone anniversaries during the first quarter of 2017.

Abigail Adams

20 Sandra Durby 40 Lucinda Carter 50 Betty Wallace

Algona

60 Barbara Haggart 65 Mary Lytle

Artesia

40 Marilyn Prenosil

Ashley

25 Jennifer Schaub 40 Linda Van Niewaal

Buena Vista

40 Rebecca Drahota 40 Marjorie Miller

Candle-Stick

70 Frances Wullbrandt

Cedar Falls

20 Marcia Colwell 30 Theresa Hurley

Council Bluffs

30 Melodi Szymczak

De Shon

25 Doris Eschliman

Elizabeth Ross

40 Joellyn Barton

Grinnell

30 Rochelle Brannian 30 Terry Brannian

Hannah Caldwell

20 Amy Leadstrom

Helen Hinman Dwelle

40 Virginia Kingland

Jean Marie Cardinell

20 Joyce Brown 20 Janet Fletcher 20 Avis James 20 Sylvia Meyers 25 Flossie Morrell 30 Lois Loveless 60 Barbara Fors

Julien Dubuque

20 Gerda Hartman 50 Margaret Hendry

Lawrence Van Hook

20 Karen Bradway

Lucretia Deering

50 Bonnie Ahrens

Marion Linn

20 Charlotte Smith 40 Charlene George

Mayflower

20 Carmen Clemenson

Mus-Quo-TA

20 Edith Groulx 30 Vada Timm

Nancy Mc Kay Harsh

25 Julie Wagner

Nathaniel Fellows

20 Janice Underwood 50 Charlotte Young

Onawa

60 Constance Schnoor

Open Fire

40 Danielle Knutson

Open Prairie

25 Melinda Beekman25 Sharon Stiff40 Barbara Ceynar50 Alice Gallagher

Oskaloosa-Mary Marion

50 Martha Borgelt 50 Rosetta Fry

Pilgrim

40 Marilyn Osborne 50 Melinda Jacobs

Pilot Rock

20 Marilyn Aboff 20 Beverly Kludas 20 Sandra Kludas **Solomon Dean** 30 Louise E. Rebers

Spinning Wheel 50 Mary Christensen

Stars and Stripes

30 Marlyce Hopson

Washington

40 Sara Bohne 40 Carla Blackwell

— Donna Knight, Jeanette Shannon Co-Chairmen State Membership Committee



Ladies, Get Your Dues Worth Out Of Those Websites!

I would like to remind Chapter Regents and Recording Secretaries that the Organizing Secretary has quick links on the http://www.isdar.org/members site to forms you will need, such as to report the election of officers. Be sure to use the NSDAR website and ISDAR website for help and if you have any problem finding answers, please contact me at mmankrum55@gmail.com and I will be glad to help.

Ann Turner Dillon, National President General, is concerned with helping chapters solve the problems that arise and the Chapter Leadership Development link has some very good tips on dealing with the problems small chapters face and the problems of any chapter. The Chapter Leadership Development link is listed under Organizing Secretary forms on the ISDAR members site mentioned above.

As Organizing Secretary, I am most interested in being of assistance to Chapters in any way that I can. If you would like to have an informal visit with State Regent Cindi Carter and myself to discuss some of the situations that arise, please contact Cindi at 641-259-3191 or me at 641-752-0381 and we will be happy to meet with you.

—Marlys Ankrum State Organizing Secretary

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In Memoriam

Marian Hendricks

#352988

Julien Dubuque Chapter Joined 06/04/1945 Passed 10/30/2016

Grace Virginia Nealey Nau

#859049

Cedar Rapids Mayflower Chapter Joined 02/02/2016 Passed 12/06/2016

Lorna Jeane Borland McCrary

#707045

Shenandoah Chapter Joined 02/06/1987 Passed 12/10/2016

Evelyn Maude Yeaton Fullbright

#713894 Cedar Falls Chapter Joined 02/05/1988 Passed 12/18/2016

Bonnie Lou Brown Peterson

#663523

Abigail Adams Chapter Joined 04/19/1982 Passed 11/02/16

Jacqueline Jane Manlove Slykhuis

#744814 Cedar Falls Chapter Joined 02/08/1992 Passed 12/20/2016

Jacqueline Kranz McDonald

#558646 Elizabeth Ross Chapter Joined 04/17/1971 Passed 11/5/2016

Becky Anne Benson Snell

#871995

Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter Joined 04/25/2009 Passed 01/9/2017

Judy Ann Wolf Tingwald

#754077 De Shon Chapter Joined 10/14/1993 Passed 01/11/2017

Penelope Diane Snakenberg Evins

#704728
Pilgrim Chapter
Joined 12/05/1986
Passed 01/13/2017

Doris May Wray Eschliman

#745386 De Shon Chapter Joined 02/08/1992 Passed 01/22/2017

Shirley Jo House Loehr

#632501

Fort Dodge Chapter Joined 10/12/1978 Passed 12/24/2016

Ruth Evelyn Moore Starkey

#788570

Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter Joined 12/05/1998 Passed 02/08/2017

Mary M Peterman McCoy

#630841

De Shon Chapter Joined 10/12/1978 Passed 02/04/2017

Arlene Bessie Grantz Reed

#910403 Ladies of the Lake Joined 10/06/2012 Passed 02/15/2017

Bonnie Main Ahrens

#523850 Lucretia Deering Joined 04/15/1967 Passed 02/15/2017

Donna Lavonne Samuelson Bollenbaugh

#757310 De Shon Chapter Joined 02/05/1994 Passed 02/16/2017



ISDAR Board & Committees...

Service to America Committee: Noteworthy Changes!!

President General Ann Dillon recently announced changes to Service to America.

The definition of 'meaningful community service' is expanded to include more DAR chapter activities: genealogy research, American History contests, Good Citizens scholarships, conservation work, veterans work, community service awards and all other DAR work. DAR work includes officers' board meetings, planning and execution of DAR programs and other DAR work within the chapter. It does NOT include travel to and from a DAR meeting or specific site or meeting attendance.



Beginning 2017 Service to America volunteer hours reported in the Chapter Master Report must equal those posted in the NSDAR Online Tally.

Members and Chapters are urged to enter service hours in the Online Tally throughout the year as service and events occur. Review the NSDAR website, NSDAR blogs (i.e. NSDAR Today's DAR Blog, February 21, 2017, "DAR Work Now Counts Toward Service to America Hours" by Sharla Luken, National Chair, Service to America Committee), and future newsletters for updates.

Congratulations!!

Every Iowa Chapter reported hours through the Online Tally in 2016. Thanks so much for your SERVICE and recognizing yourselves!!!

Iowa Service to America Committee Co-Chairmen Lois Iseminger Beth Iseminger iaserviceamerica@gmail.com

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Lineage Research...

All our chapter members have worked hard in the area of lineage research this past year. As DAR members, we are all researchers for our family, other DAR members and prospective members' families. Now that Registrars have Image Access, many brick walls have been opened up and giving a great boom to research.

Yet, one aspect of research that has often been overlooked is that of teaching. Why, teaching isn't a Committee in DAR, you may say. Yet, we are all teachers in whatever we do. How can we do this? As a Registrar, I find that if I take the time to show a prospective member (PM) how to do something, and have

them help me do it, then it helps in the long run. The PM has a more vested interest and commitment in her DAR membership. Then I get her to help me with something. She may not do it "your" way, but she has learned to research and adapt it to herself. This may or may not help in your chapter, but it is worth giving it a try.

Lineage Researcher? Teacher? You be the judge!

—Carolyn DeLay, Lineage Research Chairman



Iowa Districts Announce Good Citizen District Winners

The Good Citizen Award is intended to encourage and reward outstanding youth who exhibit the qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism in their homes, schools and communities. Honoring our high school seniors as Good Citizens is a very important way that our chapters promote education and patriotism.

We are pleased to recognize District winners as shown below. The State Winner for Iowa will be announced at State Conference, April 28, in Ames.

NORTHEAST:

Marta Grant – Easton Valley High School, Preston. Sponsor: Lawrence Van Hook Chapter, Maquoketa Regent: Lucy Zeimet; Chairman: Denyse Hughes.

District Vice Chairman: Gloria Petesch

SOUTHEAST:

Molly Carol McCunn – North School High School, Eldridge.

Sponsor: Hannah Caldwell Chapter, Davenport Regent: Ethel Hegeman; Chairman: Karen Ward.

District Vice Chairman: Denise Preston.

NORTHWEST:

Samuel Joseph Upah – Ballard High School, Huxley. Sponsor: Sun Dial Chapter, Ames Regent: Carol Baxter; Chairman: Velma Reece. District Vice Chairman: Peggy Corrington.

SOUTHWEST

Kylee Manta Ann Blad – Ankeny High School. Sponsor: Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter, Des Moines. Regent: Jennifer Ewing; Chairman: Grayce J. Baker. District Vice Chairman: Pamela Oviatt.

> —Peg Wilkinson, Good Citizen State Chairman

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Ideas From the State Registrar on Including Out-of-State Members

As I write this note on February 28th, I am referencing a list of those Iowa Daughters whose membership dues remain unpaid as of this date. It is my sad duty to report that 62 Iowa Daughters have delinquent memberships, and of those members, 31, or 50% of the delinquent members live out of state. It is certainly difficult to keep our out of state members engaged in DAR work, and it is possible that these members felt out of touch with the efforts of our Chapters in promoting historical preservation, education and patriotism. The question arises as to how Iowa Chapters can include their out of state members in various activities. The below list is just a few ideas on keeping your out of state membership strong and supporting DAR activities:

Out of state members can support the DAR Schools through the collection of BoxTops for Education and My Coke Rewards Points; shop at Publix and eat at Red Robin Restaurants, both of which provide support to some of our DAR Schools; use Amazon Smile to make purchases which provide a small donation to a specified school; collect Tyson Project A+ logos to support classroom projects and provide other supplies.

- •Encourage these members to report their volunteer hours through the NSDAR Service to America Tally.
- •These members can clip and collect used (cancelled) postage stamps to send to the Veterans Coin and Stamp Collecting Club.
- •Clip and collect coupons for troops.
- •An out of state member can chair a committee for your Chapter, or provide Constitution Minutes and National Defense reports for each meeting.
- •Members can participate in Chapter meetings through various remote productivity software such as GoToMeeting or Skype.

It is our duty as fellow Chapter members to maintain contact with our out of state members. Why not designate a new member of your Chapter's membership team to send a note to out of state chapter members on a monthly basis? Engaging these members can be another key to your Chapter's success!

— Jodi Freet ISDAR State Registrar

The Towa Room: Our corner in Washington, D.G.

Over the Iowa Room fireplace an elegant man and woman gaze at one another. Their pleasant countenances reflect status, comfort and complacency. Research suggests this to be an accurate assumption. They are drawn on pale pink paper in charcoal with eglomise, frames not original. Although not authenticated, these are in the style of Thomas Bluget de Valedenuit. Directly underneath the pair, in a small oval frame, hangs a watercolor and pastel portrait of the gentleman in his younger years dated 1795 and in its original frame. All were purchased through the Iowa Room Fund in 1970, the year Iowa was awarded the National DAR Museum Award as the society accomplishing the most for the museum.



But ladies first ... Elizabeth Williams Little (c. 1763-1840) was the daughter of George and Lydia Pickering Williams of Salem, MA. Her father was a very wellknown Salem businessman. She was the niece of Col. Timothy Pickering, who served in the American Revolution and was the third United States Secretary of State, serving rather contentiously under George Washington and John Adams. On April 17, 1799, Elizabeth became the bride of Dr. Moses Little (1766-1811), the gentleman facing her above the fireplace. Moses was the son of Richard and Jane Noves Little of Newbury, MA. He attended Harvard, where he befriended John Quincy Adams, also a student there. After graduating in 1787, Moses studied medicine with Dr. Jonathan Swett of Newburyport, MA. Settling in Salem, he enjoyed a successful practice. Little succumbed to pulmonary tuberculosis, as did other family members. The Peabody Essex Museum in Salem, MA archive contains the extensive collection of Little Family Papers, 1691-1883.

> —Sara Jane Harwood, Iowa Room Chairman

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Thank you...

On behalf of my siblings and their spouses, my niece and other family members, a heartfelt thanks goes out to all the Iowa Daughters who took a moment to share in our family's grief. My beloved Mother, Barbara Freet, was a dynamic woman and the literal force behind my DAR membership (she wasn't eligible to join, but knew that I was). My siblings and I were simply stunned by the support from the Iowa Daughters through their cards, messages, phone calls, texts and visits. Thank you so much for your love during this difficult time.

— Jodi Freet, ISDAR State Registrar Sue and Al Hughes, Blair and Pam Freet, Eric and Sarah Freet Wilhelmina Freet (member of Benjamin Bell Society C.A.R.)



New DAR Members

We are so pleased to welcome these new Daughters to the Iowa Society DAR. Their applications were approved from December, 2016 through February, 2017.

Abigail Adams Chapter

Stephanie Caffrey Victoria Harris Garneta McNeley

Ashley Chapter Kimberly Reem

Buena Vista Chapter Amanda Ishikawa

Council Bluffs Chapter Lisa Varnes-Rex

Elizabeth Ross Chapter

Amanda Baker

Elizabeth Ross Chapter

Teresa Baker

Grinnell Chapter

Diane Schulze

Hannah Caldwell Chapter

Mynda Denger-Shaw Judith Petersen Annette Taylor

Lawrence Van Hook Chapter

Gloria Jorgensen

Martha Washington Chapter

Brooke Redwine

Mayflower Chapter

Elizabeth Kalkman

Shenandoah Chapter

Martha Barnett Martha Yates

Spinning Wheel Chapter

Michelle Ankrum Bonnie Thurston

Sun Dial Chapter

Lori Fiscus Madelyne Losby

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ADDRESSES FOR MILITARY SUPPORT PROJECTS

Here are two addresses to send cancelled U S stamps and manufacturers coupons. Hopefully other chapters will be able to use them and help our military, past and present.

To send cancelled U S stamps: Dept. of Veterans Affairs

Medical Center

Veterans National Stamp & Coin Club #135

3601 South 6th Avenue Tucson, Arizona 85723

To send manufacturer coupons ~~ even those that have expired:

Support Our Troops

P. O. Box 70

Daytona Beach, Florida 32115-0070

If sending cancelled stamps, it is best to send them priority mail, and they will let you know that they received them.

— Beverly Franks, Regent, Marion-Linn DAR Chapter

Cordial Invitation

Abigail Adams Chapter cordially invites Iowa Daughters to attend a ceremony marking completion of the Tiny Stones project. The final stone will be set on Sunday, April 23rd, at 2 p.m. at historic Woodland Cemetery, in Des Moines. The entrance is 2019 Woodland Avenue, under a mile south of I-235.

Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution 118th Annual State Conference April 27-29 2017

Quality Inn & Suites, 2601 13th Street, Ames Iowa

Thursday April 27

12:30 p.m. - Executive Committee Meeting for State Officers - Board Room

6:30 p.m. - State Officers Club Dinner (Registration Information sent separately) - Banquet Room C

Display tables may be set up as soon as the space is ready

9:00 p.m. - Informal Social following State Officers Club Dinner - Pool side

Friday April 28

8:30 a.m. - State Conference Registration Opens (\$20.00) - Lobby

9:30 a.m. - ISDAR 118th State Conference Opens - Banquet Rooms A & B

Guest Introductions, State Officer Reports, Recommendations

10:00 a.m. - NE District Director & Chapter Regent Reports, Chapter Achievement Awards

10:45 a.m. - NW District Director & Chapter Regent Reports, Chapter Achievement Awards

12:00 p.m. - Luncheon (\$23.00) - Banquet Room C

The DAR School — State Regent Cindi Carter & State Chairman Andrea Perry

1:15 p.m. - Conference Resumes - Banquet Rooms A & B

1:15 p.m. - SE District Director, Chapter Regents Reports, Chapter Achievement Awards

1:45 p.m. - SW District Director, Chapter Regent Reports, Chapter Achievement Awards

2:15 p.m. - Reports of State Chairman

3:00 p.m. - Conference Recess (Chorus Practice for Friday Banquet)

5:45 p.m. - Pictures (Pages, State Officers, District Directors, Chapter Regents, Honoraries, Guests, State Chairmen) - Location to be announced

6:00 p.m. - Guest Registration

6:30 p.m. - Banquet

Speaker- Historian General Ginger Trader

ISDAR Chorus

Honoring Award Winners - Outstanding American History Teacher; DAR Good Citizens

9:30 p.m. - Informal Reception following Banquet - Banquet Rooms A & B

Please come and visit with our Guests.

Saturday April 29

9:00 a.m. - Memorial Service - Banquet Rooms A & B / Members are encouraged to wear a hat to the service

10:00 a.m. - Conference Resumes - Banquet Rooms A & B

Unfinished Business, Reports of State Chairman

12:00 p.m. - Luncheon (\$23.00) - Banquet Room C

American History Essay Contest Winners gr 5-8; Christopher Columbus Winner;

ISDAR Scholarship winner; DVD Crossnore School

Graduation Ceremony for Red Course graduation - Jodi Freet

C.A.R. Greetings

1:30 p.m. - Conference Resumes - Banquet Rooms A & B

Resolutions, Reports of State Chairman

"If we do not lay out ourselves in the service of mankind, whom shall we serve?" Abigail Adams



IOWA SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION 118th Annual State Conference- April 27-29 2017

Quality Inn & Suites Starlight Village Conference Center 2601 East 13th St. Ames Iowa I-35 exit 113 and 2 blocks west

Hotel Reservations: (515) 232-9260 or 800-903-0009 Double \$109.00 (plus 12% sales tax) up to 4 a room

King Suites \$109.00 (plus 12% sales tax)

Make reservations directly to the hotel by March 27 2017

Conference Registration:

Registration fee: \$20.00 Each member in attendance is required to pay a registration fee.

Friday Luncheon: \$23:00 Pulled Pork Sandwich, coleslaw & dessert; Vegetarian- Vegetable Wrap Friday Banquet:\$30.00 Cherry glazed grilled chicken with salad & dessert; Vegetarian choice- Lasagna

Saturday Luncheon: \$23.00 Baked potato bar, various topping choices; dessert

Registration deadline: postmarked by April 10 2017 final deadline for guaranteed meals.

Make checks payable to Iowa Society DAR and mail to Marsha Hucke State Vice Regent ISDAR; 528 West Side Dr; Iowa City, IA 52246-4339 for guestions call 319-354-9748;

Email: marshahucke@hotmail.com

Registration fee is not refundable. Meals cannot be guaranteed if reservation received after the deadline. Meals refundable only if ticket is re-sold.

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Saturday Luncheon: \$	522.00		
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