

"An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge" Proverbs: 18:15

Promoting Education to Encourage Lifelong Learning

Dear Iowa Daughters,

Iowa Daughters are amazing in what they have accomplished this fall! After our Board of Management meeting in August, our Iowa chapters hit the ground running. Working together at the chapter level is so rewarding. DAR friends made at the chapter and state level are very special to each of us. We warmly welcome new members into our Iowa Society DAR family. This State Officer encourages new members to become active and participate in NSDAR activities from the very start. It is the best way to really get to know one another and learn more about NSDAR.

Your state officers enjoyed their September journey throughout Iowa on our annual fall District Tour. We began our journey in Des Moines followed by Algona and Hampton, finishing the week in Tipton. The weather was beautiful for our trip and the meetings were well attended. It is always a pleasure to visit with each of you. A special thank you to our District Directors: Kathy Smith, Roberta Klingborg, Mona Day, and Marla Suter. The Abigail Adams Chapter, Algona Chapter, Candle-Stick Chapter, and Open Prairie Chapter had arranged wonderful facilities for our overnights and meetings. Even though we are all members of the state of Iowa, each district meeting reflects area's personality and style. Your preparations (registration, decorations, and lunches) were appreciated very much.

In October, this State Regent represented Iowa at the National Board of Management Meeting. My roommate for the next two years is the District of Columbia State Regent Ann Schaefer. We found out both of us have one child, a son, and both are named Andrew! It was a great opportunity to meet the National Officers, State Regents and National Chairmen. We attended Leadership Workshops and worked on a "Pocket Flag" service project for our troops. We had a group photo taken on the steps of Continental Hall wearing "pink" as we remembered Breast Cancer Awareness week. It was exciting to be at the opening of the DAR Museum exhibition, "Eye on Elegance: Early Quilts of Maryland and Virginia." It is a beautiful exhibit that will be open through September 5, 2015. Iowa Daughters attending the 2015 Continental Congress will have a chance to see this "must see" exhibit. A highlight of the trip was our trip to visit Fort McHenry located in Baltimore, MD. We had the chance to unroll/roll the full sized replica 15 star/stripe Star Spangled Banner flag where it flew in 1814.

The next week, I flew into Birmingham, AL and drove to Grant, AL for the annual Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Dedication Day program. We were warmly welcomed by the students, staff, and parents. It gave me a chance to view their facilities, staff and children in the classroom, and visit with them about needs for their

classrooms. The high school math room is in need of items to help the students prepare for education beyond Grant Mountain. Funds that we raise for the State Project will go, at least in part, to help purchase items for this classroom. The week concluded with their famous basket luncheon. Tables and tables were full of home baked items prepared by the student's mothers from time honored Gunter Mountain recipes. This State Regent feels that this school is in need of our 2014-2016 State Project funds. Your support of this project is appreciated by this State Officer.

If you haven't already, mail your Cash Contributions and State Dues payments to our State Treasurer, Sarah Steinke. They were due on/before December 1st. Sarah will be happy to get that project finished up soon.

Your chapter's community service hours for this current year need to be recorded by December 31st. The reporting period is January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. Chapters will be asked to report members' activities in two ways via the Celebrate America! Online Tally and the Master Questionnaire. If you have any questions about reporting, please visit:

http://www.dar.org/members/committees/special-committees/celebrate-america/how-will-information-be-gathered-and-shared



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NSDAR Master Questionnaire 2014 (also referred to as the Chapter Master Report 2014 CMR): The reporting period for chapter activities and donations is from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014. The cut-off date for entry into the CMR is February 1, 2015. This State Regent requests that you have your data entry completed several days before this date. Do not wait until January 31st to complete this form. Tips for chapters and committee chairmen to complete the Chapter Master Report (CMR) or NSDAR Master Questionnaire can be found in this newsletter.

The DAR has completed the final phase of the DAR Website redesign and upgrade by launching the new Members' Section of the website (www.dar.org/members – the new section can also still be accessed at the old URL or the Members' Website at http://members.dar.org). Previously, the DAR Public Website and DAR Members' Website were two completely separate sites. Now all of the content and resources of the two sites can be found in one convenient location. Access to the Members' Section of the DAR Website will require a log-in to restrict public access to the member-specific content. Members will enter their state, chapter and national number to log into the Members' Section.

This State Officer would also like to share a special event that happened to one of our Iowa Daughters and State Officers, Jodi Freet. At the end of the New York State Conference in September, Jodi was named as the 2014 NYSO NSDAR Outstanding Page. Congratulations Jodi on receiving this honor and for serving as a wonderful representative of Iowa Daughters as a visiting Page.

This State Officer wishes all of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Share the joy of lifelong learning, Sharon A. Braden, Iowa State Regent

NSDAR MASTER QUESTIONNAIRE FORM 2014 "CHAPTER MASTER REPORT"

TIPS FOR CHAPTERS:

The chapter regent, with the aid of her officers and chairs, is responsible for answering the CMR.

- A webinar on the use of the CMR is available on the Members' Website (<u>http://members.dar.org</u>) under the DAR Leadership Training committee. Additional instructions are also available on the Members' Website under Help Desk>Tutorials.
- In order to increase your chapter's opportunity for awards, please provide detailed information for those committees that request summary answers in the space provided on the bottom half of the sheet. In the electronic version, you are not limited for space for the essay/text questions at the end of each committee's report. Use this space to elaborate on your chapter's successes for that committee.
- Chapters should answer EVERY committee page. If your chapter has no report for a specific committee, please indicate "NO REPORT". This will allow the state regent and state chairs to determine that all chapters have reported.
- To ensure accurate monetary reporting, all contributions and donations FROM INDIVIDUALS must be sent through the Development Office accompanied by the DEV-1003 Donations and Contributions form. All chapter contributions and donations continue to be sent through the proper DAR channels: chapter treasurer to the state treasurer to the Treasurer General. The exception is monetary assistance to veter-an hospitals/homes.
- Chapter regents: Please check with your chapter treasurer in order to verify correct amounts for all monetary contributions/donations that will be reported in the MQ and used for your chapter regent's report.

NOTES FOR STATE COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Following the state cut-off date for electronic entry into the CMR, each state committee chair can access the results (both narrative and statistical) by chapter for her committee. The report generated through the Chapter Master Report should be forwarded by email to the division or national chair for your committee.

Pin access codes for accessing the CMR for your committee will be provided by your state regent. If you do not receive a pin access code, send an e-mail to <u>CMR@dar.org</u>

A friendly reminder from your Iowa State Recording Secretary ~

A number of reports will be due within the next few months for inclusion in the State Proceedings Book. Depending on your office, please refer to the deadlines below:

CHAPTER REGENTS: Prior to March 15, 2015, complete and file your Chapter Regent's Report (form available on the ISDAR members-only website, and also available on the fall packet CD) with the State Recording Secretary. A copy of the report will also need to be filed with the State Regent. Remember to include a copy of your chapter's Cash Contribution Sheet as part of your report. Reports can be emailed or sent via postal mail.

STATE CHAIRMEN: Prior to April 1, 2015, complete and file your State Chairman's Report (form available on the ISDAR members-only website, and also available on the fall packet CD) with the State Recording Secretary. A copy of the report will also need to be filed with the State Regent. As with the Chapter Regent reports, State Chair reports can be emailed or sent via postal mail.

As always, I am available to answer questions should you have a question or concern. THANK YOU for all of your work and dedication to NSDAR and ISDAR!

Jodi Freet ISDAR Recording Secretary



Many of you may remember that Iowa State Recording Secretary, Jodi Freet was beside herself with excitement throughout the Iowa Fall District Tour. As she shared with many Iowa Daughters, immediately after the conclusion of the 2014 Tour, Jodi was planning to travel to the East Coast to volunteer as a guest page for the 2014 New York State Organization DAR State Conference. There, she acted as the personal page to guest Illinois State Regent Pamela Bork and used her Junior Sales skills to help staff the New York State Corresponding Secretary's Sales Table.

Perhaps one of Jodi's favorite parts of the conference was when she was named the 2014 New York Society Organization's Outstanding Page. The NYSO Officer's Club presented her with a lovely engraved silver

"Revere" – styled bowl as both a token of appreciation and trophy of her award. Jodi was thrilled to share that she was an Iowa daughter and has already been invited back to guest page in New York for their 2015 State Conference. In addition to Iowa, New York and Continental Congress, she has also paged in Michigan and Connecticut.

Jodi is pictured above with Illinois State Regent Pamela Bork. At right is a picture of the trophy Jodi received.

CONGRATULATIONS JODI and THANK YOU for your GREAT representation of our Iowa Daughters!



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WELCOME NEW IOWA MEMBERS!

Council Bluffs Chapter Bobbie Haynes* Patricia Ress Mae Thompson

Elizabeth Ross Chapter Kay Althoff* Mari Sloan Mary Thompson

Fort Dodge Chapter Jessie Burris*

Grinnell Chapter Heather Koenig

Hannah Caldwell Chapter Carol Briggs Tana Odean

James Harlan Chapter Cathie Schreiner Becky Wright Patricia Woepking

Jean Espy Chapter Nancy Seabold

Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter Alexis Baker* Jackie Baker Rita Biggs Joyce Larson Alyssa Ragner * Kathy Halderman

Julien Dubuque Chapter Anita Juehring Carol Wooldridge

Ladies of the Lake Chapter Trista Avila Janet Blumenthal Rita Brockshus Cynthia Hernandez Jennifer Liggett Dian Steele Bonnie Wunder

> Mayflower Chapter Stephanie Barker Rita Henson Lindsay Laverty Glory Philp Sonja Song

Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter Cynthia Barbour

*Indicates Junior Member



IN MEMORIUM

ARTESIA CHAPTER HELEN WILLIAMS EMRICH WILMA MARGARET OBERMAN

FORT DODGE CHAPTER FLOY COOPER CODY MARILYN ANN WILSON HANSEN DIANE M. LOGAN

GRINNELL CHAPTER SUSAN SNYDER JOHNSON

HELEN HINMAN DWELLE CHAPTER PEARL PERRY SHINN

MAYFLOWER CHAPTER ALICE NAOMI GRUSH SWEET

NANCY MCKAY HARSH CHAPTER EDNA ELLEN AKERS POSTEN

PILGRIM CHAPTER EDNA BOOKER

SPINNING WHEEL CHAPTER BARBARA LEE WILCOX SCAFFERI

SUN DIAL CHAPTER RUTH E. ATKINSON ANDERSON MARY JUNE READ HAGE



Hannah Caldwell Chapter

November found the outside temperatures dropping so several Hannah Caldwell Daughters decided to make some warm fleece blankets for our Veterans. The completed blankets were then delivered to Veterans who are patients at the Veterans Hospital in Iowa City.

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

The 2015 DAR calendar, as always, contains stunning photos of our National Headquarters and its contents. This chairman was ecstatic (to put it mildly) when she realized the 2015 December calendar page features an exquisite Paul Revere silver teapot photographed in none other than our Iowa Room! My calendar will be turned to December 2015 all year!

In recent newsletters, we have written of furniture items, documentary fabrics used and paintings displayed. This issue, we'll focus on wall treatment. In 2006, a change was in order for the Iowa Room. Documentary wallpaper was Plan A. In the early 18th century wallpaper was extremely rare in Colonial America. Slowly, British wallpaper with narrow borders became common in wealthier homes. After the Revolution some patterns and, more often, plain papers were used. Plain papers' popularity remained constant into the second decade of the 19th century. In 1795, a Boston paperstainer advertised blues, greens, buffs, red, yellow, stone, pink, and purple.

Ever budget conscious, we quickly realized documentary wallpaper was out of the question for the lowa Room. Plan B was to choose a historically accurate shade of green paint color for the walls, which would then be enhanced with a documented paper border in egg and dart design (see photo below). As the saying goes, we were in business! We know Benjamin Franklin would have approved because he wrote from England instructing his long-suffering wife Deborah in Philadelphia: " Paint the wainscot a dead white; paper the walls blue, and tack the gilt border round.....if the paper is not equally colored when pasted on, let it be brushed over again with the same color." (Well, probably not one of Ben's better known quotes).

These changes to the Iowa Room were dedicated in 2006 at Continental Congress with then Curator General Linda Wetzel present.



Sara Jane Harwood, Iowa Room Chairman

Hannah Lee Chapter Quilts for Veterans!

Members of the Hannah Lee Chapter have started a new chapter service project to honor veterans living in area nursing homes. Lap robes in a patriotic motif are being created for the veterans. Member Wendy Novak initiated the project with the help of fellow members Becky McCabe and Mona Day. They work on this project the second Wednesday of each month. Other chapter members attend these Wednesday sewing sessions also. Sewing knowledge isn't required as there are ironing and other tasks which all go into the production of these lap robes.

The recipient of the first lap robe completed is Eugene Novak. Mr. Novak is a resident of Evans Memorial Home in Cresco and served in the United States Army. He entered the service in February 1951. After his basic training he was sent to Germany. Following additional training in Germany, he remained there as an instructor until his discharge from the army in February 1953.



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Mason City Chapter



Caps, and Scarves made by LaNeal Patro, a man from the Sheffield Care Center. Donated to Shirley Christiansen by the Sheffield Sharing Shop for the Mason City Chapter of NSDAR. Regent Kisner has delivered them to Francis Lauer Youth Services in Mason City, after consulting with them to determine their need. These items will help with their "Holiday Little Wishes Program."



Buena Vista Chapter

Buena Vista Chapter members recent service project was the landscaping revitalization of a park memorial that their chapter originally had placed in dedicated to the pioneers of Buena Vista County.

Shown behind the revitalized landscaping are Chapter members (L to R) Delores Sievers, Pat Burns, Ruth Stark, and Susan Nielsen. Thanks also goes out to HODARs Wayne Stark and Roger Sievers for their assistance with this project.

Hannah Caldwell Chapter Commemorates...

Hannah Caldwell Chapter took part as an exhibitor in a public commemorative event for the 200th Anniversary of the Battle for Credit Island in Davenport, Iowa on Saturday, August 30th. The Chapter had a booth at the event with a colorful display telling about chapter projects. Members visited with the public and handed out brochures containing information about the Daughters of the American Revolution.

In 1928 the Hannah Caldwell Chapter placed a bronze plaque on a boulder marking this location on Credit Island as one of the earliest posts for trading with Indians established West of the Mississippi River. This plaque also notes the Battle for Credit Island was the last battle of the War of 1812 fought for control of the upper Mississippi River.



Helen Hinman Dwelle Chapter collaborates in honor of veterans...



The Helen Hinman Dwelle Chapter and the Top of Iowa Quilters presented this quilt to the Winnebago County Veterans Committee at Veterans Day, 2014.

The quilt was raffled at the Veterans' dinner with the proceeds going to the maintenance of the Veterans Park in Lake Mills. The Top of Iowa Quilters also presented to the Veterans Committee several other quilts with patriotic themes to be given to veterans who needed or wanted a quilt—and especially to veterans of the Vietnam era.

The quilt pictured at left was made by a member of the Helen Hinman Dwelle Chapter and friends of the Top of Iowa Quilters.



Pilot Rock Chapter

Members placed wreaths at local cemeteries to honor and remember Veterans this Christmas season. Ten wreaths will be placed at cemeteries who have erected directories with the assistance of the Pilot Rock Chapter

Getting ready to distribute the wreaths to the cemeteries.

1st row L to R: Janet Kai, Phyllis Eickholt, Carol Berkler, Barbara Ivarson, Opal Williams and Peggy Corrington 2nd row L to R: Nancy Parrott, Roberta Klingborg, Micki Conley Lorene Mugge, and Linda Craig

SPRING 2015 ISDAR NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS.....FEBRUARY 20, 2015 ** SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE MAY NOT APPEAR UNTIL SUMMER ISDAR NEWSLETTER DUE TO RECEIPT RESTRICTIONS REGARDING THE CALL TO STATE CONFERENCE AND SHORT PROCESSING TIME **

Martha Washington Chapter members help at local Stand Down....

At their August Chapter meeting, members donated multiples of nearly 20 items and packed those collected items in bags to hand out at the Veterans' Stand Down sponsored by the local VA Office. Several members of the chapter manned a table at the event, greeted veterans, and passed out 35 bags.



At Left: Martha Washington members Donna Goehring, Regent Fran Myhre and Jean Turner.

Council Bluffs Chapter

The Council Bluffs chapter participated in the Veterans Day parade which was held on Saturday, November 8th. Fred Hoyt, a veteran of the Vietnam War drove his 66 Shelby representing the Council Bluffs Chapter. During the 12 block parade, members handed out around 300 flags and candy to the parade spectators.



Hannah Lee Chapter honors...

The Hannah Lee Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution recently presented Robert J. (Bob) Anderson, "the eagle cam guy", with the prestigious National Society DAR Conservation Award. The presentation was made by Iowa State DAR Conservation Board member Nancy Grindle, Hannah Lee Chapter Regent Becky McCabe, and Carol Hasvold who had written the nomination.



Mr. Anderson has gained recognition as the man who focused a web camera on a bald eagle nest near the fish hatchery south of Decorah. People from over 180 countries have logged onto the web site over 200 million times since 2011 to watch the eagle pair repair the nest, lay eggs, and take turns to sit faithfully on the precious eggs through late winter storms until the eagle chicks hatch. The parent eagles continue to feed and care for the eaglets until they take wing and leave the nest in the fall. Bob Anderson's eagle cam has educated millions about the life of our nation bird, the Bald Eagle, and increased our respect and affection for this huge bird which so tenderly and patiently cares for its young.

Perhaps even more significant is Anderson's innovative work to bring back the Peregrine Falcon from near extinction. From a small group of captive Peregrines, chicks were hatched and then released at nest boxes attached to bridges and smokestacks. Over time these produced over 1,500 progeny, leading to the Peregrine Falcon's removal from the endangered species list. Anderson devised a technique of placing chicks in simulated rock boxes atop bluffs near the Effigy Mounds National Monument, imprinting the idea of cliffs as nest sites. These peregrines are now nesting and breeding on over 20 different Mississippi River Cliffs.

In 1988, Anderson founded the Raptor Resource Project working toward the preservation of falcons, eagles, ospreys, hawks and owls. He frequently leads teams of volunteer observers and climbers to monitor and band birds of prey on power plant smokestacks, cliffs, water towers and other high places. Although Anderson's work has expanded beyond a breed-and-release program of Peregrine Falcons, he remains dedicated to telling its story. "The Peregrine's near extinction and recovery sends a message that we can make a difference. I can't imagine a more important message to give people today, especially young people," says Anderson.

The presentation took place at a recent Hannah Lee Chapter luncheon at McCaffrey's Dolce Vita on November 1st in Decorah, Iowa. Special guests present for the occasion included Honoree Bob Anderson; Iowa DAR Past Regent Linda Van Niewaal; Nancy Grindle, ISDAR Conservation Committee; Connie Hvitvedt, President of Upper Iowa Audubon; Barb Schroeder, Director of the Winneshiek County Conservation Board; Charlene Selbee, Director of Winneshiek County Tourism; John Dingley, Chair of the Raptor Resource Project Board; Dennis Carter, Audubon naturalist; Jim Womeldorf, who has helped with camera and computer issues; Willard and Mary Ellen Holthaus, who give Anderson space for the computers in a farm building near the nest tree.





Revolutionary Dames Chapter....



EDUCATES...others about Constitution Week.

HONORS... Alice Grawe was honored at the October meeting of the Revolutionary Dames Chapter, DAR for her 30 years of service. Alice joined DAR on October 10, 1984. She has held many offices and served in various capacities during this time. The Chapter surprised her with flowers, a cake, and a certificate commemorating her many years of service.





REMEMBERS...At the September 8, 2014 meeting of the Revolutionary Dames Chapter, a flag marker was dedicated for Marie Whitley at Harlington Cemetery, Waverly. Marie's husband Scott, three daughters, and a granddaughter were present to participate in the dedication. Marie passed away while serving as Regent for the chapter.

Hannah Lee Chapter sponsors...

Members of the Hannah Lee Chapter gathered for a photo opportunity to display Christmas gifts recently purchased for a family adopted by the Hannah Lee Chapter through Helping Services of Northeast Iowa.



Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter



Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter Member ,Theresa Bahniuk, travelled with the National DAR Tour of Scotland. Theresa was the only Iowa Daughter on the tour. She is shown here wearing her mother's Bruce tartan skirt along with others of the Bruce Clan. All are descendants of King Robert, the Bruce of Scotland.



(Pictured At Right)

Cynthia Barbour was inducted into the Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter during the November meeting. She received a folder with pertinent DAR information and a DAR pin from the chapter. A bound booklet of her application papers and the proofs of her lineage will be presented to her at the December meeting. Participating in the ceremony were , Connie Kinkade, Registrar, Marj Kinkade and Chapter Regent, Theresa Bahniuk. Chapter Regent Theresa Bahniuk is Cynthia's mother. In September, Iowa State Regent Sharon Braden attended the Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter meeting. She was happy to install the chapter's newly elected officers.

(Pictured at left)

Chapter Regent, Theresa Bahniuk; Chaplain, Connie Kinkade; Iowa State Regent, Sharon Braden; Secretary, Laura Gushe; Treasurer, Bonnie Riepe; Registrar, Marj Kinkade.



Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter learning & sharing knowledge....



On September 19, 2014, at Camp Dodge Iowa, Judy McNamara represented DAR at a special annual luncheon that honored the POW-MIAs from all over the State of Iowa. Former Navy radar intercept officer, Lt Cmdr Larry Spencer was one the guest speakers. While on a mission over North Vietnam in 1966, Spencer was shot down and captured. He spent nearly 7 years as an American prisoner of war in North Vietnam. Released in 1973, he was one of the first POWs to return to the United States. Larry shared his story of survival and triumph. Pictured above is Judy with Larry.



U S Marine Ret. Lt Col Oliver North was a guest speaker at the Hotel Sheridan on November 3rd. Oliver Laurence "Ollie" North is a conservative political commentator and television host, military historian, New York Times bestselling author, and a former United States Marine Corps lieutenant colonel. As the DAR Representative to the VA Hospital, Judy McNamara attended the special conference. She also invited him to the VA Hospital in Des Moines to speak to her Veterans which will be done at a later date.

Veterans Day

Members of the Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter attended the Veterans Day Program at the Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center/Vets Auditorium in Des Moines and then attended the AMVETS Post 2 Veterans Day Luncheon. The members used this opportunity to hand out 50th Anniversary Vietnam Commemorative pins.



At left: Executive Director Col Robert King (Ret) and JMC Chapter Regent Barbara Hammer.

Director King

discussed all the areas covered by the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs and the Iowa Veterans Cemetery. He also had a question and answer session to help clarify matters of members.

Constitution Week.....

Tracy Ferguson, 2nd Grade teacher at Van Meter Elementary School in Van Meter, Iowa, led her class in celebrating Constitution Week, September 17 – 23.

The students memorized the Preamble and along with hand gestures, presented it to Karen Hanley, Constitution Chair and Candy Brown, Public Relations Chair, for the Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Karen gave bookmarks to all the students and a note pad to Mrs. Ferguson.

After that, they joined the class for a question and answer session. They discussed Patriots and freedom, sailing to America and family trees and DAR.



Veterans Day – Adel, Iowa at A-D-M High School

JMC in partnership with the Vietnam 50th Anniversary Commemorative group provided the 50th anniversary flag for use at the school's Veterans Day program and



also were responsible for the distribution of commemorative pins to all students, staff and public attending this Veterans Day event. Vietnam 50th Anniversary proclamations were distributed to each classroom prior to the Veteran's Day program. Many of the Veterans attending said it was the first time they were aware of the flag and commemoration. It was greatly appreciated by them.



2015 Iowa Bus Adventure

Saturday, June 20-leave Iowa

Sunday, June 21-travel to Harrisburg PA

Monday June 22—tour Valley Forge and Memorial Chapel (if available) Travel to Philadelphia for lunch on own at Bourse. Historic guided walking tour of independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, Betsy Ross Home, and Constitution Center. Dinner at Historic City Tavern Restaurant.

Tuesday, June 23-travel to Baltimore for guided tour of Star Spangled Banner House. Lunch in Baltimore Inner Harbor area. Afternoon visit Fort McHenry for self guided tour. Travel to Arlington, VA where we will be spending the next five nights while attending Continental Congress.

2015 Pricing

20-25 passengers	
Double Rate per person	\$1,979
Single Rate per person	\$2,679
Triple or Quad per person	\$1,829

The Deposit/payment requirements for this tour is as follows:

December 1, 2014:

\$500 due to ISDAR State Treasurer to reserve a seat.

Mail deposit checks and payments by due dates to: Sarah Steinke,

ISDAR State Treasurer 16805 S. Morel St. Lockport, IL 60441-4674

The tour includes:

Round-trip motor coach transportation Professional driver Driver gratuity Wi-Fi, DVD use on the motor coach Nine (9) nights of lodging Luggage handling (1 suitcase per person) Breakfast in included four (4) mornings, some are extended continental while others are full, hot cooked breakfasts. Entrée select dinner at City tavern, Philadelphia Guide tour of Valley Forge Guided walking tour of Philadelphia historic area (Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, Betsy Ross Home, and the Constitution Center) Gratuity for Valley Forge/ Philadelphia guide Guided Tour of Star Spangled Banner House Self-guided tour of Fort McHenry

With 26-40 passengers, then the price is:

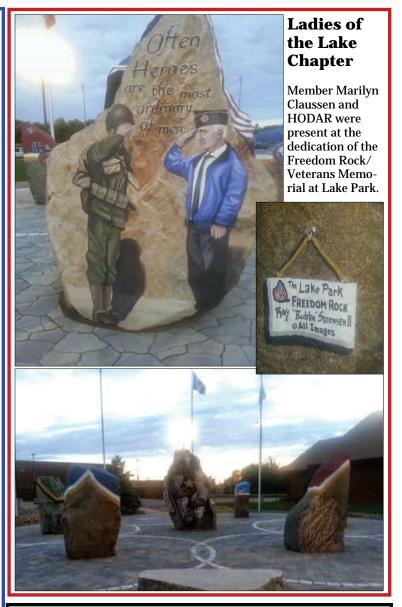
\$1,879	
\$2,579	
\$1,729	
	\$2,579

March 21, 2015:

Balance due to ISDAR State Treasurer. Amount will be determined by the number of passengers at this time.

Let me know if you have a roommate. Please contact ISDAR tour chairman if you have any questions. Mary Ealy, Tour Chairman

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Ladies of the Lake Chapter



Paula Zeno

Constitution Week

Ladies of the Lake Chapter sponsored public readings of the Constitution at the Spirit Lake library on Thursday, Sept. 18, and Saturday, Sept. 20. Members pictured are just a few of the Chapter members who read aloud for this commemoration. Many members of the public also participated in this event and took a turn to share the words of the Constitution with listeners.





Hannah Lee Chapter

Sally Stromseth (left), the children's librarian at the Decorah Public Library, accepts a financial gift from Becky McCabe, Regent of Hannah Lee Chapter. This gift was the result of a grant from Walmart through its Volunteerism Always Pays Program through their associate and Hannah Lee Chapter member, Maureen Michel. The grant was the

result of Maureen's application and the hours of volunteer service with Hannah Lee Chapter. Michel had specified the grant for Decorah Public Library for its children's literacy program. The grant funds will be used to replace 19 very worn volumes in the Boxcar Children series.

Abigail Adams Chapter delivers presents for adopted veteran families to the Iowa Vet Center. Chapter members filled two cars with presents for three families. In addition, they gave the Vet Center a box of toiletries and gas gift cards to give to veterans in need. God bless our veterans and thank you to all the Abigail Adams Chapter members for making Christmas brighter for these families! Pictured below is chapter member Kathy Smith with the gifts and the Iowa Vet Center staff.





Pilot Rock Chapter

Decorating a Patriotic Christmas tree for the Sanford Museum display. L to R: Micki Conley, Linda Craig, Peggy Corrington and Roberta Klingborg.

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Oskaloosa-Mary Marion Chapter

Oskaloosa-Mary Marion Daughters were honored to serve as event coordinators for the Wreaths Across America wreath laying ceremonies at Forest Cemetery in Oskaloosa and Graceland Cemetery in Knoxville. The ceremonies were held at 11 am on 12-13-14.

The wreaths placed represent US Army, US Marine Corps, US Navy, US Air Force, US Coast Guard, US Merchant Marines and POW/MIA. The POW/MIA wreath honors the 93,129 United States Servicemen from all branches of the service whose last known status was either Prisoner of War or Missing in Action.

The wreaths represent our commitment as a United States of America to remember the fallen. We also want these remembrance wreaths to symbolize our honor to those who have served and are serving in the

armed forces of our great nation and to their families who endure sacrifices everyday on our behalf.

This is the second year the Oskaloosa-Mary Marion Chapter has participated in this very meaningful ceremony. The American Legion Post No. 34 assisted with the ceremony in Oskaloosa and the VFW Post 3519 assisted with the ceremony in Knoxville.

We thank these Posts for their service to our great nation and for their assistance with these ceremonies.

