

Be a **Beacon of Light** in Service Through DAR

**Quarterly** Newsletter

# Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution

"And serve each other according to the gift each person has received, as good managers of God's diverse gifts." (Common English Bible 1 Peter 4:10)

# ISDAR Winter 2018 Newsletter

## Message from State Regent Marsha Hucke

Dear Iowa Daughters,

It is a busy time of year with family gatherings, holiday shopping, trimming of trees, baking those special once a year treats, writing friends and family and keeping the delivery vehicles ever so busy.



I just wanted to take this opportunity to wish you all a very special holiday season!

I have traveled to a few chapters this fall and have a few coming up this winter so will hope Mother Nature cooperates. I still have several chapters to schedule a visit, so please contact me and we will compare our schedules. I have enjoyed my visits very much. It is an added bonus when I and my 'map' find new territory to navigate, I've seen some areas of cities I never knew existed am sure there is more of that to come. I have learned a lot

and met so many wonderful members, I know there are many more of you out there and I want to meet you !!

Congratulations to Abigail Adams who recently celebrated their 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and to Honorary State Regent Sara Jane Harwood on her 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a member, once a junior always a junior at heart!

I hope everyone enjoyed attending a district meeting near you. I thank all the host chapters and district directors for all the care and attention to detail you each provided a great venue; good food and I know everyone had a good time. As the state officers and a few state chairmen traveled across the state we were greeted with a mix of rain and sunshine (just like life) and saw some beautiful farmsteads and other scenic views. I especially want to thank Vice Regent Marla Suter as she coordinated our travels and worked with the host chapters and district directors to provide everyone with the opportunity for learning and fellowship. It was a terrific week.



# ISDAR Winter 2018 Newsletter

## Message from State Regent Marsha Hucke continued --

I did want to share a couple of questions that were asked at one of the meetings, so that all can be informed. It was asked in regard to donations to the State Regent project, the Iowa Room fund. If those donations could then in turn earn a pin for the ribbon. Unfortunately, the answer to that is 'NO' the only option perhaps could be Heritage Club credit and that is a process in itself. The funds would have to be going towards something that is currently being repaired, purchased etc., then that amount could be totaled and the member could receive "Heritage Club" credit. But as the project is to raise funds to replenish the account and the money for the curtains and installation is covered by money that we had available then we cannot forward donor information to National for the Heritage Club credit. I know that is disappointing news. There are many ways to give to the National Society as you perhaps are aware that can earn Heritage Club credit. If you need help with that just let me know.

Another question was asked that can we offer workshops. instead of having reports by the state chairman etc. <u>That I can answer is yes, we can do that</u>. We are looking into this as to when and what topics may work best. I or the other state officers are willing to hear your suggestions.

**State Conference announcement:** As this is Iowa's 120<sup>th</sup> State Conference and in 2019 we will be celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 19<sup>th</sup> amendment i.e. women gaining the right to vote. We are offering the opportunity for everyone who desires to dress up in the appropriate time period of the women's suffrage movement 1848-1920 (amendment ratified in 1920) So that is a wide range to choose from, but we wanted members to have a fashion choice in that span that perhaps is more suitable than earlier or later. We are planning to do this Friday during the business meeting. This is personal choice for all. We just want everyone to have the opportunity if they so choose. I am still working on how we can best tell our story on our outfit etc. so look for more information on that in the March newsletter.



<u>Hear ye hear ye!!</u> Special announcement for those who were not able to attend district tour. We have two special guests coming to **BOM August 4/5<sup>th</sup> 2019**. The Sunday evening speaker is the surprise guest, more on that later. **The second guest will be (when elected in June) President General Denise Doring Van Buren. She will be speaking Monday at lunch.** Due to some unforeseen scheduling issues we had to change when the President General would be attending. Many more details to come on this but for now **MARK YOUR CALENDARS** as we would like to have a good turnout for both speakers. Likely will have some kind of workshop Sunday afternoon.

On our Sunday night speaker, you have received these two clues thus far. She is female, and she has been on television program aired in Iowa, and now for third clue: She lives in a state that was one of the thirteen original colonies and site of early pre-war activities.

Happy Holidays to all of you, I know that you are that beacon of light in service through DAR in your communities and in this season of giving, I know you are also sharing your gifts and talents to strengthen your communities, chapters and the Iowa Society.

Marsha Hucke

State Regent

## ISDAR Winter2018 Newsletter

## Message from State Vice Regent Marla Suter

State Conference will be here before we know it, April 25-27, 2019. The complete call letter will be in the Spring 2019 newsletter and posted on the ISDAR website. Please be sure to take note of the registration deadline. This will be our 120<sup>th</sup> State conference, you will not want to miss it.

Remember to submit the conference credential forms to this officer no later than March  $22^{nd}$ . The conference credential form may be scanned and emailed to <u>mlsuter@iowatelecom.net</u> if that is more convenient for you than mailing the form.

Please continue to bring items for the State Regent's Project voices table and be sure to include your chapter name on your donation. We have some wonderful new additions for State conference.

## 2019 District Tour Dates have been set September 2-6, 2019

Sep 3<sup>rd</sup> NW - Ladies of the Lake, Spirit Lake Sep 4<sup>th</sup> SW - Glenwood, Glenwood Sep 5<sup>th</sup> NE - Spinning Wheel, Marshalltown Sep 6<sup>th</sup> SE - Nathaniel Fellows/Pilgrim, Iowa City

### Be a Beacon of light in service through DAR .....

Marla Suter

Iowa Society State Vice Regent



## **ATTENTION EVERYONE!**

There is still room and time to sign up for the bus trip to Continental Congress in Washington, D.C. next June 2019! It will be a great time of fun, adventure and DAR learning. You can't imagine the opening night session – it is breath taking!!!!! You don't realize how large the DAR complex is until you see it. Check out the brochure. We have a few changes. For example, we have a few more free meals than our brochure states. If you have any questions or would like to talk about the trip – give Tina McCleary a call at 515-681-2875. Reservation and \$\$\$ deposit are due December 12.

Tina McCleary and Edee Brunia

## **Continental Congress Bus Trip 2019**



#### D.A.R. 128th Continental Congress June 22 – July 1, 2019

Saturday, June 22 – Travel day to Elkhart, IN Country Inn & Suites, Elkhart, IN

Sunday, June 23 – Travel day to Breezewood, PA Self-guided tour at the Flight 93 Memorial Holiday Inn Express, Breezewood, PA

Monday, June 24 – Morning travel to Philadelphia where we meet a professional guide for local touring. Events/attractions on the agenda, but not in final order:

- 2-hour guided driving tour of Philadelphia city proper Museum of the American Revolution; admission, a
- 30-minute special program, and audio headsets
- City Tavern evening dinner

Holiday Inn Express, Cherry Hill, NJ

Tuesday, June 25 – Philadelphia continued: (NO local guide this morning.) Take a walking to visit Elfreth's Alley and Washington Square Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Guided tour at Philadelphia Museum of Art. After lunch on own, depart for Washington, D.C. area hotel where you will be staying for the next 5 nights. Comfort Inn Oxon Hill, MD

Wednesday, June 26 – Oxon Hill to Washington, DC for the Continental Congress being held at the DAR

Tour Inclusions:

- Round-trip motor coach transportation
- Professional driver (Driver gratuity included. Thank you!)
- Wi-Fi, DVD use on the motor coach
- Nine (9) nights of lodging
- Luggage handling (1 suitcose per person)
- I I meals (9 breakfasts, 2 dinners)
- Admission to all attractions listed in the above itinerary
- Gratuity for the step-on guides in Philadelphia and D.C.

#### 2019 Pricing:

- Double Rate per person: \$2,309.00
- Single Rate per person: \$2,889.00
- Triple or Quad per person: \$2,124.00

Deposit: \$500 per person due by Dec. 12, 2018. You do not have a reservation without a deposit. Final payment date is March 21, 2019. Make Deposit Checks Payable to ISDAR and Mail to: Edee Brunia, ISDAR State Treasurer 11179 Elk Horn Street Norwalk, IA 50211-9566

All aboard the 2019 Hawkeye Stages Express to Continental Congress

The 2019 ISDAR Bus Trip to Washington, D.C. to attend the Continental Congress will leave on Saturday June 22 and return on Monday July 1. As usual, we will have passenger pick-up stops and our first overnight stop will be Elkhart, IN.

Constitution Hall. (A transportation schedule will be arranged later on, per direction of Tina McCleary.) Attractions/touring possible June 26-29: (Exact schedule not finalized yet.)

- · Morning drive to Annapolis, MD to the Naval Academy; guided walking tour (1.25hrs), then self-guided tour of the museum Guided tour of Tudor Place
- Guided tour of Washington National Cathedral
- Dinner cruise on Potomac River by Odyssey Cruises
- (Lunch cruise is possible on Thursday or Friday) D.C. step-on guide will be with you a second time for a
- driving tour of the monuments and memorials.

Thursday, June 27- Saturday, June 29 -Attend Continental Congress

Sunday, June 30 - Leave Oxon Hill, MD and travel to Richmond IN to Hampton Inn, Richmond IN

Monday, July I- Leave Richmond Indiana and travel to Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Our goal is to make arrangements for the "Kiss The Bricks" tour which takes you around the race track, plus allows time to visit the museum! Leave Indianapolis and return to your departure cities this evening.

Not included:

Travel Insurance Protection - The premium is \$239.00 per person for Single, double, twin, triple or guad occupancy. The plan can be purchased any time prior to your final trip payment. A copy of the Description of Coverage for a summary of the plan details will be provided.



To Make Reservations Contact: Tina McCleary, ISDAR Bus Tour Co-chair PO Box 94, Grimes, IA 50111 (515) 986-3015 or tinamccleary@q.com

# Four Successful District Meetings October 2018

The Northeast District met on October 9, 2018. The Mason City, Hellen Hinman Dwelle and Lucretia Deering



Chapters hosted the event. Great learning, sharing and shopping.

Northeast District Meeting -- Lucy Zeimet, Director

The Southeast District met on October 10, 2018. The Stars and Stripes Chapter of Burlington hosted the event. Lots of patriotism, planning and chatting.

Southeast District Meeting -- Laura Reminick, Director

The Northwest District meeting was held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Webster City on Oct. 12, 2018. The Lucy Standish/Newcastle Chapter of Clarion hosted the District meeting. We had a great time and a large group. Many friends and memories.

Northwest District Meeting – Carol Baxter, Director







The Southwest District met at the American Legion Golf Course at Shenandoah, Iowa as part of the District tour on October 11, 2018. The Shenandoah Chapter hosted. Everyone had a great time - the food was good, and the company was fantastic.

Southwest District Meeting – Diana Kading, Director

# Abigail Adams Chapter Celebrates 125th Anniversary !!!

In October 1893, the DAR magazine published the roster of Officers of the newly-chartered Abigail Adams Chapter. News clippings from the *Des Moines Register* attest that Sophia Dolson Andrews, our first chapter regent, was a Real Daughter of a Revolutionary Patriot. Her husband, L. F. Andrews, authored "Pioneers of Polk County, Iowa" in 1908. So, history was a shared interest. The family monument at Woodland Cemetery displays Sophia's DAR Real Daughter marker.



Last month, on Nov. 10, members of Abigail Adams Chapter marked the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mrs. Andrews' legacy with a celebration at Wakonda Country Club. Some 60 people, including a dozen HODARs, enjoyed cocktails and hors d'oeuvres and a brief program. Among those attending were State Regent Marsha Hucke, State Vice Regent Marla Suter, State Treasurer Edee Brunia, and State Organizing Secretary Kristin Macy. Being the eve of Veterans Day, **we recognized member Ellen Looker, a Navy veteran of World War II. Mrs. Looker, who will be 100 years of age on her next birthday**, attended with her son Dan Looker. She was a Past Chapter Regent in Lincoln, Nebraska, a member since 1954, until relocating to Des Moines. She has two Patriots - John Augustine Washington and Richard Henry Lee. Next, the Past Chapter Regents present each were recognized with a long-stemmed red rose decorated with ribbon and a

card with her name and term. Receiving this appreciation were Cindi Carter, Sara Jane Harwood, Nedra Markham, Laura Kozin and Kristine Bartley.

Sara Jane Harwood also was presented with an NSDAR certificate honoring

**her 60 years as a member**. Mrs. Harwood was recruited to DAR by DeShon Chapter in Boone, Iowa, as a Junior. She was following in the footsteps of her grandmother, Mabel Squiers Shaler. In 1971, Mrs. Harwood transferred to Abigail Adams. As Iowa's 51<sup>st</sup> State Regent (1992-1994), Mrs. Harwood embraced restoration of the Iowa Room at National HQ as her mission. Mrs. Harwood was elected Vice President General (1994-1997). She rose to the office of Curator General (1998-2001). An accredited art appraiser, Mrs. Harwood was ideal for the office. She received the President General's Unity Award for Outstanding Achievement and was named a DAR Museum Advisor for Life. Since then, Mrs.



Harwood has been an advocate for the Iowa Room, and a liaison with museum staff, keeping an eye on "Our Corner" at National. She just recently "retired" as State Iowa Room Chairman. As a Life Member, Sara Jane Harwood continues to serve our Society, and to mentor new leaders. In addition to the 60-year certificate, the chapter placed a Daughters Tribute for her on the NSDAR website: <u>https://todaysdar.in2trek.com/individual-honorees/sara-jane-shaler-harwood</u>.

The Nov. 10 celebration was a welcome chance to socialize, without the pressure of a business meeting. It was a very pleasant time. A display of recent chapter achievements provided additional talking points. It featured a



Certificate of Special Recognition from Des Moines Mayor Frank Cownie for 125 years of service to the community. The organizing committee earned hugs and a "well done". Serving on the committee were Chapter Regent Ann Mack and Past Chapter Regent Kristine Bartley with Mary Bingaman, Sheila Bingaman, Susan Klein, and Nancy Mitchell.

Enjoying the festivities are State Vice Regent Marla Suter with committee members Mary Bingaman and Sheila Bingaman.

The **Marion Linn Chapter** of the NSDAR held the November meeting at Summit Pointe Senior Living Center in Marion. We were privileged to have as an honored guest, Iowa State Regent, Marsha Hucke. A new member, Myrna Ketelsen was installed by Charlene George, Chaplin, while the ceremony was presided over by State Regent, Marsha Hucke; Regent, Beverly Franks and Registrar, Terri McConaughy.



The program was "Quilts of Valor" presented by **Elayne** 



**Gassett**. The "Quilts of Valor" is a nationally recognized program in which beautiful quilts are provided to veterans. The quilts are stitched with love, prayers, and healing thoughts, tokens that say "Thank you for your service, sacrifice and valor. The quilts are made by volunteer quilters and presented to service members and veterans touched by war. As a surprise, a quilt was presented to veteran, **Gayle Aronson**, who is a resident at the center. He was accompanied by his son, daughter-in-law and brother.

The **Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter** awarded the Community Service Award to Jennifer Shide. Her Harvest Concerts have raised money for the Des Moines Area Religious Council's food pantry. This is an event that she created in 2005 and has continued for 12 years. To date they have raised \$97,098.86!





**Linda Harris** was recognized for her 50 years of membership in and contributions to DAR at the December 1 **Jean Marie Cardinell** Chapter meeting.

Members of **Jean Marie Cardinell** said a very sad farewell to **Barb Hammer** in October. Barb served as Regent and was an avid supporter of all things DAR and genealogy. She is missed.



The **Jean Marie Cardinell** members honored our veterans in multiple ways on Veterans Day. The activities started on November 8<sup>th</sup> with a Veterans Appreciation Day at the Neal Smith Federal Bldg in Des Moines. We pinned commemorative lapel pins on 15. While there, 2 people asked about becoming a DAR member. Luckily, our Registrar was one of the volunteers that day. It pays to get out into the community. Then on



November 11<sup>th</sup>, our Vietnam Chair was at a free breakfast for Veterans at a local restaurant while others attended the concert by the All Iowa Military Band at the Civic Center. Jackie Baker and Judy McNamara were invited to the Corinthian Baptist Church in Des Moines to recognize 3 of their Vietnam Veteran members. One of those recognized is also a volunteer at the VA with Judy. Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, we were invited to the Altoona HyVee for their free Veterans breakfast. They served over 900 free meals and we pinned commemorative lapel pins on 105 Vietnam Veterans. We also handed out hundreds of tin pins. Then some members attended the Veterans event at the Community Choice Credit Union Veterans Auditorium.

## Judy McNamara pinning 2 Vietnam Veteran nurses.

## ......The Rest of the Story......story provided by Becky McCabe.....

During the 2017 NE District Meeting Judy McNamara presented Valerie Pecinovsky with the flag of Leo W. Lickey. Judy had saved it when there were no living family members to preserve and honor it. Valerie took the flag knowing that once a flag has been folded and presented to a family it should never be unfolded or flown again. She intended to find it a permanent home. Jeff Wilson of Wilson Tree Service, Cresco, IA built and donated a wooden display case for the flag. Valerie had a protective glass cover etched with the Marine insignia, Leo W. Lickey, WWII Veteran, April 3, 1927 - January 31, 2013, Newton Union Cemetery made to fit the case. When she couldn't find a local military group that would give it a home, she decided to try the Des Moines Veterans Hospital. They were honored to receive this flag. Valerie presented the flag to Gail Graham, Chief Executive Officer, Shawn Hippen, Voluntary Service Officer and John Justice, Voluntary Specialist who have given it a permanent resting place of honor at the VA Hospital.

"And now you know the rest of the story."

Pictured are: Shawn Hippen, Voluntary Services Chief; Valerie Pecinovsky, Regent **Hannah Lee Chapter**; Gail Graham, Chief Executive Officer. Pictured are: Valerie Pecinovsky, Regent Hannah Lee Chapter; John Justice, Voluntary Specialist; and Shawn Hippen, Voluntary Services Chief.







The **Priscilla Alden Chapter** NSDAR and **Loess Hills Society of CAR** toured the Roswell and Elizabeth Garst home farm house at Coon Rapids, Iowa in October. The Garst farm was visited in 1959 by Nikita and Nina Khrushchev. Liz Garst, center, told of the visit and her grandfather's hybrid seed corn company. In 2009 the Farmstead was placed on the National Register of Historical Places. The Garst farm and 5,400 acres are now owned by the Whiterock Conservancy which conserves and protects Iowa's natural resources, demonstrates sustainable rural land management and engages the public in outdoor recreation and education.



The **Henry Knox Chapter** presented a 40 year membership certificate to Halene King!



The VACIHCS (Veterans Administration Central Iowa Health Care System) hosted the NVCAF (National Veterans Creative Arts Festival) with the American Legion Auxiliary from October 29<sup>th</sup> to November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Over 130 Veteran artists and their guests were in Des Moines for this national festival. Selected top Veteran performers and artists from across the nation enjoyed a week of art and vocal lessons, comradery, special ceremonies and ended with the Art and Creative Writers Exhibit and Stage Show.

**Jean Marie Cardinell** members Judy McNamara and Donna Ragner attended and helped with the events. The Chapter also donated money as a Patron sponsor of the event. VA medical facilities incorporate creative arts into their recreation therapy programs to further the rehabilitation environment for both inpatients and outpatients. This annual competition recognizes the progress and recovery made through that therapy and raises the visibility of the creative achievements of our Nation's Veterans after disease, disability or life crisis.

On Monday, October 15, 2018, the **Hannah Caldwell Chapter** members shopped for and purchased supplies to deliver to the Quad Cities Veterans Outreach Center that opened in November 2016 and is located on West Locust Street in Davenport, Iowa. It is a non-profit, all volunteer operation. Items purchased were paper plates, plastic forks, toilet tissue, socks, tee shirts, various non-perishable food items, shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste, and tooth brushes. Sandra VanAtta, Center Director, received the supplies and gave the members a brief tour of the facility. She advised that there are 700 registered Veterans for this facility. A computer and internet service

is available for Veterans' use. The Center provides 175-200 food baskets and 40-60 emergency supply baskets to individuals stopping at the Center. They also have special Saturdays (October 20<sup>th</sup> being a cold-weather clothing giveaway) and provide free haircuts. Meals are served for 300 people on days through the year. Spacious and cheerful surroundings greet our Veterans, and the coffee pot is always on! Pictured here are Hannah Caldwell Chapter members Karleen Noteboom, Nancy Eggers, Elise James, and Bernadine McGuire delivering items to Sandra VanAtta, Center Director (second from left) of the Quad City Veterans Outreach Center.



The **Nathaniel Fellows Chapter** provided an Olive Garden meal to parents of patients at the University of Iowa Stead Family Hospital's intensive care unit



Family Room on October 11, 2018. NSDAR member Brittany Woodson, pictured here, organized the event with chapter members and families. Having a child in the hospital can be a very stressful time and parents were thankful for this support. The meal was made possible through NSDAR Nathaniel Fellows member donations and provided parents the opportunity to dine while being near their children. Nathaniel Fellows members Kathleen Jespersen, Kelli Rozinek, Shannon Woods, Brittany Woodson and Melissa Stewart assist in providing the meal.





On October 6th, **Jean Marie Cardinell** members conducted a quick meeting and then moved on to our service project. Over 20 fleece blankets for Veterans were completed in short time. The fleece was beautiful, and everyone enjoyed the time to visit with other members. Afterwards, a casual lunch was served.



On Sunday, October 21, **Buena Vista Chapter** joined with Storm Lake's Boy Scouts and veterans to honorably retire over 270 worn US flags after years of service. Vice Regent Delores Sievers and Chaplain Patricia Holtapp represented the chapter at Scout Park on the shore of Storm Lake. Once again "The Flag Farewell" (written by a local DAR member) was read as part of the opening ceremony as the Scouts raised their American flag and led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the last flag's retirement into the fire pit the Scouts closed the ceremony

by lowering their flag, folding it properly, and escorting it from the activity area.

As part of **Buena Vista Chapter**'s 2018 centennial celebration the members chose to donate financially to the Buena Vista County Historical Museum. Regent Sue Nielsen presents the check to Historical Society President Jim Kennedy. This local chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution has been named an affiliate organization by the museum.



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### Hannah Lee Chapter recognized and honored Marilyn Miller Holland's 60 years of service with a Certificate of Membership from the National Society. October 15th, 2018 was the 60th anniversary of Marilyn Miller Holland's acceptance into the Daughters of the American Revolution as a Junior member of the Marshalltown Chapter. Later she transferred her membership to Hannah Lee Chapter where she has served as Vice Regent under Helen Schmidt, Regent for three terms from 1996 - 2002, Chaplin, American Indian Chairman and Sunshine Chairman. Marilyn has driven hundreds if not thousands of miles taking car loads of members to meetings all over the NE District and to West Union. She donates much more than time to the Sunshine Committee making sure members who no longer live here get cards, with a special note about the meeting as well as those who are sick or have birthdays. At Christmas everyone not at the meeting receives a Christmas card.





DAR Chapters across the state and nation recognized the **100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the WW I Armistice signing**. A particularly unique commemoration was when over 2,500 pipers worldwide played "When the Battles Over" at noon United Kingdom time. That was 6:00 a.m. at the Gold Star Museum in Johnston and the Mackenzie Highlanders Pipes and Drums of Iowa participated. **Dawn Baldwin** of the **Jean Marie Cardinell** Chapter was one of the pipers!

Members of the **Council Bluffs Chapter** of the NSDAR participated in decorating the General Dodge House in Council Bluffs for Christmas. The contribution of the DAR includes decorating a Christmas tree and a "fireplace". Photos were placed on the mantle of two World War I soldiers and a soldier from the Civil War who were ancestors of the DAR members. Theme was "Keep the Home Fires Burning" and the end of the war.



Clement Clarke Moore wrote "and the stockings were hung by the chimney with care". Some of the troops in South Korea may have to provide the chimney but **Hannah Lee Chapter** has provided the stockings. Members



and guests filled 50 stockings at the November meeting. The stockings filled 12 large flat rate military boxes which had been



decorated by students at the Decorah Middle School under the direction of Sarah Nowack. The boxes were mailed November

27th to allow plenty of time to arrive before Christmas. Twelve more stockings will be filled and given to Veterans in the Waukon area nursing homes for Christmas.

September 24 was a busy day for the **Council Bluffs Chapter** of the DAR. The day began with a rededication of the 1932 DAR Historical Plaque by the Deborah Franklin Chapter of the NSDAR commemorating the first house in Atlantic, Iowa in 1868. The plaque was recently placed in a more prominent place near the Wells Fargo bank in Atlantic, Iowa. Joining members of the Council Bluffs Chapter were State Recording Secretary, Laura Kozin and Iowa State Regent Marsha Hucke. Also pictures Pamela Ervin Oviatt, Regent Council Bluffs Chapter, and other members.



That evening, members of the **Council Bluffs Chapter** Pamela Ervin, Mary Jane Foutch and Mary Ann Ervin met all the women veterans returning from an Honor Flight at Eppley Airfield in Omaha. This D.C. Honor Flight was exclusively for female veterans who served in the European or Pacific Theaters during World War II, in Korea, Vietnam, the Persian Gulf War, or in Afghanistan or Iraq. Everyone aboard the flight was female, including pilots, flight attendants, volunteer assistances, and news reporters and photographers.



On Veterans Day **Buena Vista Chapter** asked their members to seek out veterans who do not normally attend group functions but are deserving of recognition. Assisted living and care center residents and homebound neighbors were honored. Plenty of certificates of appreciation and lapel pins were distributed. Veterans in Iowa and other states were recognized. Sue Nielsen presented her uncle, Einar Nielsen, a World War II veteran, with his certificate of appreciation.







Are you still looking for that perfect gift for your brother, grandchild, niece, neighbor or stylist? Want to give a present that costs less than \$20 and is guaranteed to bring a year's worth of education and entertainment? Consider Spreading the American Spirit!

For only \$18, you can purchase a gift subscription to DAR's Award-Winning Magazine, American Spirit! Published every other month, each issue contains interesting articles, amazing tidbits and phenomenal photography, all of which will interest a broad audience of readers. Subscribe now, and your recipient will receive the always-amazing March issue, which celebrates women's history!

If you purchase a subscription for yourself, or a fellow DAR member, the very popular Daughters magazine will be included with the American Spirit mailing. This special publication provides news from DAR members throughout the word, along with updates from our National Officers.

To subscribe online, simply visit <u>www.dar.org/americanspirit</u> or call 1-866-327-6242. You can also ask your Chapter Regent or Chapter Magazine Chair for a subscription form.

Happy Holidays and Enjoy Spreading the American Spirit! Jodi Freet

### **New Members Course**

CAUTION

### **New Horizons Course Activity**

**Caution:** Warning, starting these Courses is contagious. Participants (students) are completing **many modules** with enthusiasm and sending to the State Coordinator. Members continue to enroll and more advise of their intention to participate.

One member has completed the New Members Course and is working in New Horizons Course.

Members interesting in participating...it is not too late!! The New Members Course is sometimes described as your Freshman year. It is relatively easy, but never the less interesting. Advancing into the New Horizons is your Senior year. Pleasantly, it is a mixture of some "Freshman" but exposes students to more leadership training.

To learn more about DAR and these courses, contact the State Coordinator, Sylvia Blaesing, <u>saba@machlink.com</u> or Ph. 563-299-6063 to receive instructions and helpful hints.



The Carter Administration wishes one final time to express their appreciation to the Membership of Iowa for their wonderful support of their 2016-2018 project, the Monument at the Iowa Veterans Cemetery to honor all Revolutionary War soldiers and patriots buried in Iowa. Beautiful pictures were in the last Iowa newsletter, but mere pictures cannot do it justice. If you have not seen it, please stop to view it next time you are in the Des Moines area. At the moment, it is the last one in a row of special monuments close to the administration building and so far, the tallest. Four state officers stopped to see it in person on Fall Tour. Iowa daughters can take much pride in the fundraising and placement of this striking remembrance of the Revolutionary War.

If you attended BOM this year you might remember a resolution to send the remainder of any funds left in the Carter Administration State Regent Project, be sent to the Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown for tornado relief. Through the generosity of our Iowa daughters, \$500.04 was sent to the Iowa Veterans Home in October and a very nice thank you note has been received for their thanks to our society. Honorary State Regent Carter, did not designate any special area for the funds use, but rather thought it could be used for unseen repairs and beautification anywhere on their building complex. According to the Commandant, Timon M. Oujiri, the funds will be spent on tree replacement which is much needed. Thank you again to the Iowa daughters for their financial contributions to these worthy causes for the 2016-2018 Carter term.



Edee Brunia ISDAR Treasurer

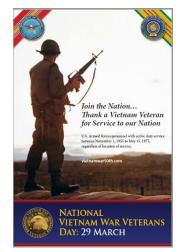


It's not too early to sign up to sing in the Chorus at the State Conference next Spring!!!!! We will be doing a medley about women's suffrage. The music will be very simple, so no need to audition. We would like to have a big chorus this year for our guests. You can contact me via email or Facebook and I will send you the words and music. Also if anyone is able to play, please let me know. Carolyn DeLay

Mark your calendars for March 29, 2019 and start planning an event today. That date is National Vietnam Recognition Day. If I can be of assistance, please contact me for any event. Thanks.

Candy Brown

Vietnam Veteran Commemoration Liaison



# Action 5

Bored with chapter programs? Looking for something new or different?

Contact Mary Jane Foutch, who is in charge of the speaker/s staff and see what she has available that could fit into your schedule.

Weather a factor? Need a program on short notice?

The DAR Library offers two different types of programming at DAR Headquarters. The Library Lecture Series features eminent authors discussing their historical work and the Genealogy 101 series features presentations on a variety of genealogical topics led by the professional genealogists on staff at the DAR or by other experienced genealogists. Both series are held throughout the month on Saturdays and are free to the public. See the upcoming schedule here: www.dar.org/libraryevents. For those who are unable to travel to Washington, D.C., most lectures are available online soon after the date of the event. These webinars are always interesting and there are many different topics available. All you need is a computer and a screen to project it onto or a large TV monitor would work for a smaller group. Topics range from areas of genealogy research, biographies of some of the early forefathers, historical battles and historical maps. Check out the offerings! Find something that interests your group.

Then make a pot of coffee, invite everyone, relax and have a good time while learning something new!!!!

Carolyn DeLay, Action 5 Co-Chair

# PROTOCOL MOMENT

Pins may be worn with dress slacks or pant suits: this does not include jeans or casual pants. Sashes are not to be worn with any type of pants. Insignia, pins and ribbons are not to be worn in public unless one is officially representing the DAR. Insignia, pins and ribbon may be worn during the dedication of a grave marker for a deceased Daughter and also at the funeral, of a Daughter.

The Flag pin should be worn on the left lapel, in accordance with the United States Flag Code. When wearing the DAR Insignia, the Flag pin is the only emblem that may be worn on the left and should be worn on the left lapel and not on the official DAR ribbon.

The replica miniature Insignia and the Recognition Pin may be worn on a branch bar upon any occasion.

The miniature insignia may be worn on the miniature DAR ribbon at DAR functions, in the same manner as the official Insignia and pins.

The miniature DAR Insignia may be worn on a branch bar with the miniature Insignia of other societies.

The recognition pin is worn alone and may be worn on any occasion.

Only the official Insignia, ancestor bars, those pins specifically representing service to the National Society or monetary contributions to approved national projects and commemorative pins are authorized to be worn on the official ribbon.

> Nancy Downing Protocol Chair

## Conservation

Be conservation creative this holiday season. This winter give the gift of time to the young people in your life. Go for a walk in our great outdoors and look for pine cones, identify different foot prints left behind by wildlife. Make a game out of it. It has been proven that youth that are exposed to our environment and nature are twice as likely to care about protecting our world around us.

This winter decorate and treat our birds by hanging pine cones stuffed with suet and rolled in birdseed in bushes and trees. After you take down your Christmas tree place it in your back yard and hang more pine cones stuffed with suet and birdseed. Recycle your tree to a compost or if you have open water on a pond submerge the tree to add protective habitat for fish. Make sure your trees and bushes are rabbit and deer proof protected. Use lime on your driveways and sidewalks for melting snow and ice. When the snow and ice melts, the runoff will reduce the acidity and improve your soil.

In reading the magazine <u>OUR IOWA</u> I would like to spread the news to keep the Iowa landscape and roadways beautiful by joining the "litter patrol". If spotted littering the roadways, it can amount to a \$75.00 fine. The Iowa State Patrol and with Keep Iowa Beautiful is considering raising the fine to \$250.00. If we work together we could reduce the careless waste of littering that costs Iowa tax payers over \$17.5 million annually in cleanup fees. If seeing litter tossed from a vehicle call the Hotline number (888-665-4887) to report the license and description of the vehicle.

There are decals that can be ordered from Our Iowa to stick on your cell phone or in your car. That number to order decals is (515-232-0075). This is a GREAT cause to keep IOWA BEAUTIFUL I want to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and Happy New YEAR. May you all travel safe.

In Conservation, Diane Hobson State Conservation Chairman

## **Community in the Classroom Report**

The first semester is almost at a close as we get to the holiday season. There is still much that can be done to assist the teachers and the students. This is the time to think about new Crayons, reams of white paper, packets of pencils. The supplies that were received at the start of the year are running thin about now. The teachers will purchase them if needed but they should not have to. I know from firsthand experience how thankful the teachers will be as I was one of them until retirement. We as DAR chapters can assist with this. Get the supplies and take it in to the school nearest you. It doesn't have to be a large amount. Everything is appreciated because it makes the teacher's day run smoother. The other issue, at this time of year, is feeding the needy. That includes the students. Maybe give a donation to the school lunch program so students do not have to go without a hot nutritional lunch. We want to see all students learn to their full potential. I know I get cranky and irritable when I'm hungry, finding it hard to concentrate, and I'm an adult. Students learn best on a full tummy. Little things do mean a lot when it comes to doing things for the teachers and students. If you have had a project or made a difference in a classroom, please send the success story/ report to me so I can pass it on to national.

Respectfully submitted, Renee C Brandow State Chair Community in the Classroom

# **Lineage Research**

Networking. That used to be THE buzz word in many fields. **Networking** is a process that fosters the exchange of information and ideas among individuals or groups that share a common interest. It may be for social or business purposes. Professionals connect their business network through a series of symbolic ties and contacts. BUT, hold on a second! That sounds like something that could be used in Lineage Research. How does this work?

- 1. Get to know those people that are working with research and/or applications.
- 2. Send emails to others on various sites such as findagrave.com, ancestry.com, family search.org., genealogy and historical societies asking for additional info on family names. Get on their mailing list even though you may now be a member. People looking for the same info may show up.
- 3. Keep a contact list with their names under the family name you are researching.
- 4. Send an email to other DAR members outside your chapter, as a second set of eyes when looking for relationships or additional info. You may find a long lost relative or a that your relative was a neighbor to yours over 100 years ago. What a coincidence!
- 5. Think outside the box. Where would be the most unlikely place I could find the info. try researching other members of the family and neighbors who put things, people and associations in the estates, wills, land records. Your person's records may not have been indexed on sites yet, but theirs many have been. For instance, many land transfers not only state the person, but also the relationship. Don't forget court records, orphan records for minor children, insane records.
- 6. Remember that most local libraries offer free version of ancestry.com, my quest and heritage. They also will do loan transfers from other libraries of outdated books that contain needed info. Just check through WorldCat.com for the whereabouts of that needed book.

The list goes on. This is Lineage Research. This is Networking. But wait!

Networking isn't just about Lineage Research! When you join the DAR, you enter a network of more than 185,000 women who form lifelong bonds, honor their revolutionary ancestors and promote historic preservation, education and patriotism in their communities. Welcome aboard!!!!!!! Carolyn DeLay

# **NSDAR Funds Available to Help with Special Projects**

Does your chapter, local organizations and/or historical societies have projects that could use financial support? Once a year the NSDAR Special Projects Committee provides close to \$250,000 for projects in historic preservation, education or patriotism. Any IRS public charity with a 501c3 is eligible, if sponsored by a chapter. The deadline for applying is always December 31<sup>st</sup> each year. Each grant must include a letter of support from a local chapter or our state organization. According to the national website the information for the application has been updated and anyone considering an application should visit the site. If you or an organization in your community is interested in applying for a grant, I would be happy to help them through the process. You can contact me at 515-240-0368 or <u>susanklein50@gmail.com</u>. Consider putting together an application in 2019.

NSDAR is currently providing \$10,000 for a project in Northeast Iowa to replace Victorian windows in a vintage house. More details will follow in future newsletters.

Submitted by

Susan Klein, Chair, Iowa DAR Special Projects Grants Committee

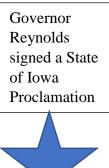
## September 17 to 23 was Constitution Week – The Iowa Chapters Were Busy

Glenwood Public Library Constitution Week Display









Buena Vista Chapter Constitution Week 2018 Sue Nielsen

Six area middle schools commemorated Constitution Week by signing proclamations reaffirming the ideals of the framers of the Constitution. The proclamations as well as classroom materials were provided by Buena Vista Chapter. In some of the schools Sue Nielsen discussed what the DAR, CAR, AND SAR mean, how to become a member, and her own patriot's activity in the Revolution. Local radio station KAYL carried a Constitution Day interview with Sue about Constitution Week as well as local chapter activities. At our regular meeting on September 19 the chapter members recited the Preamble to the Constitution as part of the opening form and later rang handbells to celebrate Constitution Week.



L - R: Mary Stille, Pat Holtapp, Mary Lee Williams, Delores Sievers, Sue Nielsen, Karen Schultz

Hannah Lee Chapter honored Cynthia Kay, Tom Hansen and Jeffery Schmidt with certificates in and Recognition of Outstanding Work in Upholding and Promoting the Ideals of the Constitution of the United States. Cynthia Kave donated over 100 Constitution Books while Tom Hansen and Jeffery Schmidt donated funds for the purchase of Constitution Books. Because of their generosity we were able to give 810 Constitution Books to the elementary classes studying the Constitution in seventeen NE Iowa schools. Ms. Kay's certificate was presented at the Cresco Library earlier this week but due to the weather Mr. Hanson and Mr. Schmidt will receive theirs later.



## Welcome New Members

We are pleased to welcome these new Daughters to the Iowa Society DAR! Their applications were approved in September, October and November 2018.

Ashley Jacquelyn Herr Jean Thomas

**Elizabeth Ross** Linda McClellan

Fort Dodge Betty Heideman Helen Hinman Dwelle Michelle Subbert

**Henry Knox** 

Cassandra Weber

Ladies of the Lake Amanda Schnoor

Lucy Standish-Newcastle Karen Hutton

James Harlan Mikayla Brown Charlene Seggerman Marion Linn Marna Ketelsen Jacquelyn Larsen Jordona Sloan

Mus-Qua-Ta Cheryl Lussman Dames Nancy Anderson

**Revolutionary** 

**Sun Dial** Teresa Wood

Hannah Lee Janet Koozer Melissa Patrick Jean Marie Cardinell Heidi Holsapple Kathy Lynn

Welcome Back -- Reinstatements

Algona Bobbie Bauer Letty Kemp **Elizabeth Ross** Margaret Griffin

Council Bluffs Jane Schwartz **Mayflower** Juli Thomas



## In Memoriam

DELORES ARLENE SPANGLER MESSER #854094 JAMES HARLAN CHAPTER JOINED---10-06-2007 PASSED---11-04-2018

### **CATHERINE PEET NIELSEN**

#400209 COUNCIL BLUFFS CHAPTER JOINED---04-14-1951

PASSED---09-24-2018

### **RUTH HIGH SHANNON**

#639030 ABIGAIL ADAMS CHAPTER JOINED---10-13-1979 PASSED--- 06-10-2018

### BARBARA JOCILLE FERGUSON HAMMER

#855307 JEAN MARIE CARDINELL CHAPTER JOINED---10-06-2007 PASSED---10-16-2018

ALICE MARIAN LATHROP GRAWE #686998 REVOLUTIONARY DAMES JOINED---10-10-1984 PASSED---02-02-2018

## SANDRA LEA LAWYER MARCKMANN #913457 SPINNING WHEEL CHAPTER JOINED---12-08-2012 PASSED---10-03-2018

### CAROLYN IRENE KELLOGG BROERS----CHAPTER REGENT

#860700 MASON CITY CHAPTER JOINED---04-12-2008 PASSED---10-02-2018 PRESENT REGENT AT DEATH

### ESTHER BELLE MILLER STEINBACH #794827

ASHLEY CHAPTER JOINED---12-04-1999 PASSED---10-21-2018

### **CAROLYN TOLAND BLAUE**

#655529

LADIES OF THE LAKE CHAPTER

JOINED---06-04-1981 PASSED---09-18-2018

### MILDRED STEVENSON

#766243 PILOT ROCK CHAPTER JOINED---06-03-1985 PASSED---09-29-2018

AGNES MAE (BULLOCK) JACOBS #787078 SOLOMON DEAN CHAPTER JOINED---PASSED---04-05-2018

## Iowa Room Update

The new draperies for the Iowa Room are under construction and Patrick Sheary, room curator, is hoping for a December installation. I know the Iowa Daughters are anxious to see them up at the two windows during the 2019 Continental Congress. With that in mind, State Regent, Marsha Hucke, has set the dedication date for June 26<sup>th</sup> from 1:30pm to 3:00pm. If you are going to Congress with the Iowa delegation bus tour or planning your own trip, this is something that should not be missed!

Save The Date -- June 26<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 to 3:00 -- Iowa Room Dedication

Ellie Senne, State Chaplain, and seamstress extraordinaire, has, with her worker bees, constructed and delivered 19 pillows and 61 placemats, made from the leftover bolt of the old drapery fabric, the proceeds going to the State Regent's project. Additionally, there are 21 pillows and 92 placemats on order. When the old draperies are returned to Iowa, Ellie and her workers will use them to fulfill those orders. A huge "Thank You" to Ellie and her troops for the quick turn around on orders taken at State Conference and delivered during District Tours!

The funds collected through the sale of the pillows and placemats will be held in the Iowa Room fund for future restoration or acquisitions. At present, Mr. Sheary does not have any restoration projects on his immediate schedule for the Iowa Room. That said, there are two outside windows, and unexpected things can happen, so we should be diligent regarding having funds in place in the event of an unexpected disaster and State Regent Marsha Hucke is taking care to make sure that we do!

Thank you to everyone who purchased or ordered a pillow or placemat. You are helping to keep our beautiful Iowa Room in the best condition possible. Pencil that date on your calendar for "must attend events" Continental Congress!



## Ann Mack

Iowa Room Chairperson

# Service to America

Iowa daughters are active volunteers. Please enter volunteer hours via the NSDAR Online Tally today. Reach out to your chapter members who do not attend meetings to remind them to record their hours. You may enter hours at any time of day from the privacy of your own home. RECORD! RECORD! RECORD! Contact either of us with questions.

Beth Iseminger Lois Iseminger Co-Chairs iaserviceamerica@gmail.com

## **Literacy Promotion Contest**

Happy Holidays and best wishes to NSDAR Members and their families during this holiday season. As the State Chairman for the Literacy Promotion Committee, I want to take a moment to remind you about the value of books as gifts as we give gifts this season. Take a minute to reflect upon a favorite book you were given as a child and the pleasure that this may give to others. This simple act may actually promote years of love of literature or maybe instill excitement in a new or favorite subject. A book may help someone explore new ideas, broaden their thinking, and encourage empathy and love for others. Giving a book is a simple act of kindness.

This note is also a reminder about the **Literacy Promotion Committee Contest.** In the words of Lee Hemmrich Hunt, National Literacy Promotion Chair, "The Literacy Promotion Committee will conduct contests to recognize the OUTSTANDING SERVICE of DAR MEMBERS, CHAPTERS, and STATES. The purpose of the contest is to encourage all DAR members to become involved and report the various ways literacy is promoted. Members must promote literacy outside of their employment or normal duties. This can be accomplished by providing service in any or all three areas of emphasis: Honor our Spirit of Partnership, Focus on Future Readers, and Celebrate DAR's Commitment to Literacy Promotion."

The **form** for the Outstanding Service of DAR, Members, Chapters, and States is found on the ISDAR Literacy Promotion webpage. It can also be obtained by contacting me, your State Literacy Promotion Chairman, Ann Ghabel, at the following email address: <u>ann@ghabel.com</u>

The **deadline** for nomination for the State of Iowa will be January 15, 2019. The Chairman will submit entries to the National Committee by February 15, 2019.

Nominating someone for this honor will be a lovely way to honor the service of a member, chapter, and/or the State of Iowa. Please take a few minutes to submit a nomination. Completing the nomination is a short process. Honoring someone for outstanding service is a great honor for all of us.

Once again, thank you for all of the work that you do.

## Ann Mills Ghabel

State Literacy Promotion Chair



The following is a continuation of chapter names and historical dates as updated
by Barbara Thrailkill Halpin during her term as State Organization Secretary, 2008-2010.

			<u>Date</u>			
<u>City</u>	<u>Nat'l #</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Organized</u>	<u>Disbanded</u>	<u>Merged</u>	
Boone	5021IA	DeShon	21 Apr 1900			
Cedar Falls	5014IA	Cedar Falls	02 Feb 1901			
Fort Madison	5034IA	Jean Espy	09 Jan 1902			
Marshalltown	5071IA	Marshalltown	04 Dec 1902			
		to Spinning Wheel 196	4			
				18 Apr		
Estherville		Okamanpado	13 May 1903	1994		
		Penelope Van		1958		
Independence		Princess	03 Jun 1903			
Letts		Nehemiah Letts	22 Jan 1904	1928-29		
Carroll	5066IA	Priscilla Alden	16 Apr 1904			
Boone	5021IA	Daniel Boone	04 Mar 1904			
		to De Shon 1959				
Denison	5020IA	Denison	05 Jul 1904	1987-1988		
Fort Dodge	5023IA	Fort Dodge	11 Apr 1904			
Humboldt	5047IA	Mary Brewster	11 Dec 1904	6 Oct 2012		
Mason City	5050IA	Mason City	07 Apr 1905			
				15 Dec		
Cedar Falls		Black Hawk	13 Jan 1906	1943		
Washington	5076IA	Washington	13 Nov 1906			
Rock Rapids		Rose Standish	13 Aug 1907	1946-1947		
Ames	5073IA	Sun Dial	07 Oct 1907			
				03 Feb		
Waucoma		Waucoma	28 Dec 1907	1978		
(Part III to follow)						

Since the previous ISDAR Newsletter, the Julien Dubuque Chapter disbanded on October 5, 2018.

The Dubuque Chapter was organized August 22, 1894.

On July 14, 1963 the name was changed to Julien Dubuque Chapter.

