

Iowa Society

Daughters of the American Revolution Issue 5 Fall 2025



"Be a Shining Star"



From the State Regent Sarah Steinke

Greetings Iowa Daughters!!

It was wonderful to see so many daughters at Continental Congress in June. I particularly enjoyed meeting everyone for a casual evening on Friday night before the Sparkling Service night. We had a very successful open house at the Iowa Room. So many daughters were impressed with our little corner of Memorial Continental Hall. I was honored to be able to report about all of the wonderful things that Iowa DAR did over the last year.

A bus tour is being planned for Continental Congress 2026. Please sign up to join us for a week of fun in Washington, D.C. next year. We are planning to do a wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington Cemetery and also to do a small memorial service at Yvonne Boone's gravesite. Congress will be an exciting time as our new State Regent and Vice Regent will be installed on Sunday as well.

This summer was a busy time for chapter visits. It's not too late to request a visit, but my calendar is filling up, so don't wait! Thank you to Jean Marie Cardinell, Martha Washington, Algona, Lawrence Van Hook, Ladies of the Lake, Camp Dodge, and Mason City/Candle-stick/Helen Hinman Dwelle chapters for your incredible hospitality. I also enjoyed participating in the Iowa State Fair parade this month. We had a great time! I would love to have more members from across the state join us in the future.

I hope you are making plans to join us for Fall Forum in a couple of weeks. We have some great workshops planned as well as book club discussing Rick Atkinson's The Fate of the Day. If you are unable to attend, the State Officers will be traveling to the SE and NW districts this fall; please join us at the SE District Meeting on September 27 or at the NW District Meeting on November 15. Encourage your chapter members to attend. It is especially informative for new officers and chairmen and new members, and it is a great way to get to know others in your district and share ideas. Please mark your calendars for State Conference April 9-11, 2026.

At Continental Congress this year we had the election of a new national Executive Board. The change of administrations is an exciting time to reinvigorate the committees and rededicate ourselves to support the mission of DAR. Please look at the National Information Packet for information about the changes and additions to National Committees. Please also look at the committee pages on the Iowa DAR Members' Webpages to get specific information about new initiatives for this year.

I look forward to seeing you all soon!

State Scripture:

"We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us... if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach... if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently..."

Romans 12:6-8 NIV



2025 ISDAR Fall Forum

The State Officers and District Directors are pleased to welcome all Iowa Daughters to the 2025 ISDAR Fall Forum coming up September 5 & 6 at the Holiday Inn & Suites – Des Moines Northwest!



We have four workshops planned: Putting the Puzzle Pieces of Retirement Together, ABC's of Chapter Incorporation, NSDAR Daughters Online Community and You, and Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow at the Jordan House: Underground Railroad to Legacy Woods.

The service project involves assembling *Teacher Survival Kits* that you can take home to your communities. Other highlights include the ISDAR Book Club, and of course opportunities to SHOP, SHOP!

District Meetings

The Southeast District Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 27 in Ainsworth. The Northwest District Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 15 in Fort Dodge. Please look for additional information in this newsletter.

State Regent's Project

The State Regent's Project supports education in three main ways:

- (1) Local chapters are encouraged to adopt a classroom at an area school;
- (2) Support the ISDAR Scholarship Fund with a goal of \$7000;
- (3) Support the Friends of Education Fund with a goal of \$3000.

You can help raise \$10,000 to reach these goals by:

- (1) Purchasing a "Be a Shining Star" pin and pashmina from the State Regent;
- (2) Purchasing ISDAR apparel at www.WandOApparel.com/collections/DAR;
- (3) Buy voices from the State Regent for items such as a quilt, quilted table runner and placemats, framed cross-stitch creation, and framed star artwork;
- (4) Donation to the State Regent's Project!









Your support of the President General's Project during the Storage Administration will help the National Society to:

- Commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the United States of America with intention and purpose by reflecting on the values of liberty, democracy, and the sacrifices made by those who came before us.
- Value each member's distinct qualities and perspectives. Recognize her shared experiences and unique background. Foster a kind and engaged membership community.
- Increase membership by enhancing meaningful experiences for new and existing members as well as pursuing reinstatement of former members. Discover more opportunities for establishing lines for eligible Patriots previously difficult to prove.
- Support our chapters in enriching their communities through service projects and outreach that promote our mission areas of historic preservation, education, and patriotism.
- Acknowledge the commitment, dedication, and value of our National Society headquarters team.
- Ensure careful management of the assets of the National Society, maintain financial stability, and promote continued operational success.



An individual donation to the President General's Project may be eligible to purchase the President General's donation pin.



Members can support the President General's Project by purchasing merchandise from the DAR Store.



Chapters can support the President General's Project by collecting \$2.50 per member each year (\$7.50/member over the 3-year term of the administration). Once the entire payment is made from your chapter, the chapter will receive a 100% Certificate from the President General. Make it your chapter goal to be a 100% Chapter!

From the State Chaplain Andrea Perry

Greetings Iowa Daughters!

National Scripture: The scriptures selected by the President General for the 2025-2028 administration are:



Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:10

A good woman is hard to find and worth far more than diamonds.

Proverbs 31:10

State Scripture: Mrs. Steinke has selected a portion of the following verses to encourage us throughout her 2024-2026 Administration:

We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us...
if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach...
if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently
Romans 12:6-8 NIV

Special Days of Prayer: Public prayer and national days of prayer have a long-standing and significant history in American tradition. Days of prayer have been called for since 1775 when the Continental Congress designated a time for prayer in forming a new nation. The National Day of Prayer was established by an act of Congress in 1952. In 1988, the first Thursday of May each year was so designated. The NSDAR Day of Prayer is the Sunday closest to our founding date of October 11.

NSDAR Day of Prayer October 12, 2025 (Sunday)
National Day of Prayer May 7, 2026 (Thursday)
National Memorial Service June 28, 2026 (Sunday)

May these scriptures guide us and these special days of prayer inspire us as we unite to *Illuminate Our Legacy*.

In Memory of our Deceased Daughters

Anna Green Anderson, Abigail Adams Chapter
Joyce Ingwersen Welbourne, Council Bluffs Chapter
Alice G. Wiles, Fort Dodge Chapter
Joan Orr Wright, Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter
Beverly Ann Heald Franks, Marion Linn Chapter
Carol Sue Berkler, Pilot Rock Chapter
Peggy Lee Mayberry Powell, Member at Large



We have all heard of the phrase "wearing different hats", we do wear hats in our DAR activities, but pins tell more than a hat. <u>So, in that regard, it was a three-pin summer!</u>

While wearing the <u>State Recording Secretary Pin</u> on June 7th, I attended the Jean Marie Cardinell monthly meeting at the Iowa Genealogy Society Library in Des Moines. I then attended the Marsha Washington Chapter 's dedication of a Patriot Bench in Siouxland Freedom



Park, South Sioux City, NE. Both chapters provided delicious meals! Thank you ladies for allowing me to participate in your events. Of course, there was also computer work which involved preserving/processing the wonderful reports submitted at the State Conference.

The next pin is that of North Central Division Vice Chair of DAR Library Outreach under the Storage Administration. This position serves as a connection to the beautiful library at DAR national headquarters and support of our many local libraries located throughout the North Central Division. To support DAR Library Outreach, please reach out to your local library to see what level of support would be helpful (all libraries have different needs) and consider making donations to our National Library either by purchase of a book on the wish list, or by submitting an application to submit a genealogy book for everyone to share.

<u>The third pin of the summer is that of the State Junior American Citizen.</u> I am happy to announce the contest theme for the contests that conclude on December 31, 2025: "Celebrating 250 years of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness: Happy Birthday, America! 1776-2026."

The <u>Art Contest</u> has five categories: poster, banner, stamp, photographic essay, and digital art. The <u>Creative Expression Contest</u> has three categories: poetry, short story (fiction), and graphic novel/comic. Contests are open to all students 1st-12th grades, with pre-k and kindergarten eligible to participate in the banner group contest. The national website is loaded with information regarding JAC clubs and the contest guidelines. <u>Feel free to reach out if you have questions!</u>

Jackie Beard JKBeard17@gmail.com



Greetings Iowa Daughters!

I look forward to seeing you at the Fall Forum on September 5-6, 2025! I have been planning for chapter supplies and sales items for the Corresponding Secretary sales table. There will be some America 250! flags, gold DAR pins, and



Constitution Week posters. It is a pleasure to serve you and help your chapters obtain the supplies that you need to carry out your business activities.

The ISDAR State Directory is continually being updated. If there are any changes during the year in your chapter officers, please let me know the contact information so that the directory information can be updated.





Are you aware of a new committee initiated by the Storage Administration? It is the 250 for the 250th Committee. Their objective is to gain new members with the help of the Specialty Research Committee that traces, underrepresented Patriots of African American, French Canadian and Spanish descent. Also included in this initiative are finding more female Patriots. Yay!!



If you have a prospective member whose lineage might align with any of the specialty groups, please reach out to this committee. There is a contact link on the committee's website and specific groups on the DAR Genealogy Commission webpage. Their work to identify and document these underrepresented Patriots will enable women, who thought they had no Revolutionary Ancestor, a possible path to membership.

Our chapters must be doing a wonderful job of getting the word out that DAR is alive and well in the communities they serve. There have been 77 individuals, since January 1st, that have filled out the questionnaire at the National site and that I have assigned to chapters around the state. And there are four months of 2025 left! Please check the PDM and update your interactions with your prospective members.

Thank you to chapter officers and members who are reaching out to the prospective members, making them feel welcome, creating relationships and mentoring them on the path to verification. Enthusiasm is contagious. That excited prospective member might bring sisters, aunts, cousins or even a mom to the chapter.

And...its once again dues season. If you would like to reach out to Member at Large ladies in your area, please send a request to me. Do you know there are 50 women with Member at Large status in Iowa? That's larger than many chapters! Can we make an effort to get them back into our chapters?



I hope everyone had a great summer. It sure went by fast.

This State Treasurer attended the 134th Continental Congress and the Treasurer General's Forum. ISDAR has closed out the books with the annual audit and 990 EZ has been filed. The Steinke administration is making a conscious effort to make the most of your funds. We transferred \$50,000 from the US Bank checking and



placed it into a money market account to collect 3.56%. This has yielded \$254.73 in just 2 months prior it earned less than a dollar in interest. The Green State 20-month scholarship CD matured with \$33,824.61 that was collecting 4.30% interest and has been renewed for 14 months at 4.15%.

Chapters have diligently closed out their fiscal year with reports and all chapters have filed their 990 N. *Thank you for getting them to me in a timely fashion.*

Since we are in the midst of dues season, a friendly reminder that Continental Congress voted to raise the national dues to \$52. A reminder was sent out to all chapter treasurers in July. The PG project still remains the same at \$2.50/per member/year. State dues have remained \$7.50 per member. There are a number of chapters that had new members join from January to June, the state dues of \$7.50 will still need to be paid. If the new member joined from July to November, you may include them in your processing at Fall.

Please remember that there is a new 2025 Chapter contributions form. The new form can be located under the ISDAR members only webpage under officer forms. https://www.isdar.org/members/ISDAR_Forms/State_Treasurer/2024/2025_Chapter_Contribution_Remittance_Form.pdf

Any donations for National etc., will need to be sent in by the chapter and not this State Officer. You will need to use the form DEV-1003. https://www.dar.org/system/files/members/darnet/forms/DEV-1003.pdf

If you do not utilize eMembership for your chapter's National dues, you will still need to build the invoice in eMembership and print it off before sending in your chapter's dues by mail to National. It is much easier to build it and send it electronically. But, if you have any questions on how to get into eMembership, please feel free to reach out.

All chapters are recommended to mitigate risk by incorporation and or purchasing liability insurance. The liability of an incorporated organization is limited to the assets of the chapter provided the executive board and chapter members have acted consistent with their fiduciary responsibilities and the law. Without being incorporated, the personal assets of chapter officers and members may be at risk. In Iowa the cost of incorporation is just \$20. (A small price to pay.) The chapter is then required to file a biennial report on odd years.

Congratulations to the Open Prairie Chapter for their diligent efforts and submitting Articles of Incorporation to the Iowa Secretary of State since our summer newsletter. That makes 11 Iowa chapters that are incorporated. <u>Let's keep up the good work.</u>



A useful feature in your Prospective Member Database Menu on Emembership.

MEMBER/APPLICATION LINKING

Link prospective member applications that are pending to your PMD list. This will enable your PMD list to reflect the application status through the application approval process. It is important to do this so your Chapter Membership Team can see the progress of the Application at National, enabling them to keep the PM informed. This would include being notified of an AIR or a Pre-Letter. To use this tool, from the Prospective Member Database Menu choose Member/Application Linking. This will open a window that will show Pending Members with Submitted Applications received at National on the top of the page. If you do not currently have any applications at National, your PMD unlinked members (the regular PMD list) will be displayed only by ID# and name.

Things to remember

Please note that once a Prospective Member's National Number appears in eMembership under Chapter Reports, you should update their status accordingly on your Prospect Members list. Change their status to "Became a member" and record the National Number in the comments section. This action will ensure they are removed from your PMD list.

Page one of the application, reviewer names can be entered by the chapter registrar and do not require signatures; if signatures are provided, they should be in blue ink. The individual who prepared the application is listed as the first REVIEWER.

An Update on the new and improved electronic application platform that is coming soon!

The goal is to make the user experience more intuitive and streamlined, as well as to accommodate the submission of Supplemental applications.

Unfortunately, as we transition and add components of the new system to the servers, we are experiencing temporary glitches and outages. Your patience is very much appreciated. You can stay informed and updated on DAR.org under Announcements.

We extend a warm welcome to our new members who have joined us following a successful application process.

June 5, 2025 - August 5, 2025

Abigail Adams Chapter: Judi Coppock

Anna Maria Lane Chapter: Sherry Bulten, Debra Stolee, Camp Dodge Chapter: Mary Sauer, Susan Johnson Cedar Falls Chapter: Janice Thedens, Angela Chambers De Shon Chapter: Shiloh Burke, Mardell Fosse, Jean Rhodes

Henry Knox Chapter: Amy Malek James Harlan Chapter: Georgiann Alter

Jean Espy Chapter: Becca Frank

Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter: Kristin Silver, Carole Stevenson, Judy White, Cynthia

Hall, Colleen Peterson

Mason City Chapter: Janice Willeke, Marion Linn Chapter: Tess Thede

Open Prairie Chapter: Kathleen Testin, Phyllis Sterba **Pilot Rock Chapter:** Nancy Nelson, Virginia Bunt

We are proud to report that the following Iowa Chapters have officially reinstated these Iowa daughters.

Algona Chapter: Alice Reseland

Nathaniel Fellows Chapter: Christine Thompson

Welcome to Iowa.

Kathleen Elliott joined the Grinnell Chapter from Illinois



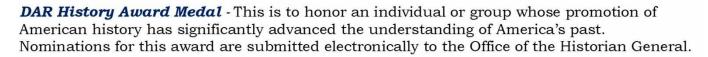


Hello Iowa Daughters! It's time to get planning and working on the materials needed to submit an application for:

Outstanding Teacher of American History Contest - This is to honor a full-time teacher of History, Social Studies, Government or Citizenship, teaching any grades from 5-12.

The deadline to submit all required documentation to this officer is

November 15th. Wouldn't this be a wonderful way to recognize a fantastic teacher in your area???



NSDAR Excellence in American History Book Award (for adult literature or children's literature) - This is to recognize an author for distinguished work that significantly preserves American history, specifically the Early Colonial Period (1607) through the Federalist Period (1801). The book can be historical non-fiction, biography or historically-accurate fiction. There are lists for both adult and children's books that are recommended for consideration on the National website. This nomination is sent directly to the Historian General and the deadline is December 15th.

DAR Historical or Commemorative Marker - Advance permission must be obtained from the Historian General to place a new one or to move or rededicate an existing one, whether or not the marker includes the DAR Insignia.

Markers for Revolutionary War Soldiers, Patriots, Wives, Daughters, and Real Daughters - You must receive advance permission from the Historian General to place, replace, or rededicate any of these markers.

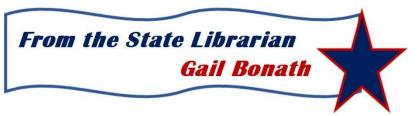
America 250! Patriot Marker - This is to commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the United States. Advance permission is obtained from the Office of the Historian General and a marker must be purchased from an approved vendor.

Revolutionary America 1775-1783 Marker - This is to commemorate points of interest significant to Revolutionary America. The marker must be placed at a roadside for the public to read. Find the application and instructions on the Historian General's website.

DAR Insignia Grave Marker - The Chapter Regent verifies the DAR membership and the form is sent to the Historian General. The signed permission form is then sent to an authorized firm to purchase the marker. After the grave is marked, a report form is sent to both the Historian General and the State Historian.

<u>Please contact me if you have questions or need assistance with any of these.</u> All of the forms for this office can be found by visiting the *members site* + *resources* + *executive offices* + *Historian General.* They can also be located in the National Information Packet.

And finally, don't forget to send this officer pictures and information about your chapter events to include in our State Scrapbook!



From the desk of our State Librarian...

DAR Library Outreach Committee

I recently received an email from Chloe Meyer, National Chair of the DAR Library Outreach Committee. The Committee was formed in 2022 and focuses on supporting the DAR Library and encouraging Daughters to engage with their local libraries including public libraries, school



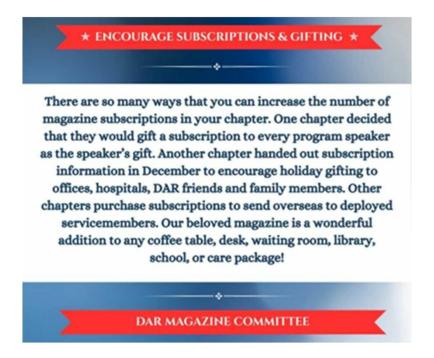
libraries, genealogical libraries, historical society libraries, and VA center libraries.

Check out the Committee webpage on the national DAR website for ideas about how to support libraries in your community. You will also find a "Donate to the DAR Library" tab which gives you easy access to the DAR Library wish list, information about donating books, and donating to library funds.

Joy Bahnemann is our State Chair of DAR Library Outreach and Jackie Beard is the National North Central Region Division vice-chair.

ISDAR Book Club

I hope you are looking forward to our book club discussion of **Rick Atkinson's** "Fate of the Day" at Fall Forum. If you would like to listen to Rick Atkinson discussing the book, there are several YouTube videos. Just search Rick Atkinson Fate of the Day on YouTube.





Dates	Happening/	Location	Chapter/	City

August 30th thru American Revolution Experience See America 250 committee page for info

September 5th-6th ISDAR Fall Holiday Inn & Des Moines

Forum Suites Northwest

(Merle Hay Rd)

September 27th Southeast Steinbeck Ainsworth, IA

District Meeting Conference Hall

October 4th Final Salute Burial at Iowa Waukee, IA

Veterans Cemetery

November 8th ISDAR Wreath Iowa Veterans Van Meter, IA

Laying Cemetery

November 15th Northwest United Church of Fort Dodge, IA

District Meeting Christ

November 24th **Deadline for Winter ISDAR Newsletter**

April 9th-11th ISDAR State Holiday Inn & Des Moines

Conference Suites Northwest

(Merle Hay Rd)

June 21st-30th ISDAR Bus Trip to Continental

Congress

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ISDAR Southeast District Call



District Director Karen Ward

Invites Southeast Iowa Daughters to attend the District Meeting

Saturday, September 27, 2025 1:00-4:00 pm

Steinbeck Conference Hall, Washington County Conservation Education Center

2943 Highway 92, Ainsworth, IA 52201

For questions, please contact the District Director:

karenward110@gmail.com; (563) 299-9726

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

Registration Deadline is Friday, September 20, 2025

Mail the below form to:

Karen Ward, 2021 Burnside Drive, Muscatine, IA 52761

or scan to: karenward110@gmail.com

DISTRICT MEETING REGISTRATION FORM			
Name Chapter			
Address	City/Zip		
<u>There is no regis</u>	stration fee. Light refreshments w	<u>rill be available</u> .	
YOUR OFFICE (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)			
State Regent State Vice Regent Honorary State Regent State Officer State Chairman Chapter Regent Chapter Vice Regent	 Chapter Chaplain Chapter Secretary (Recording or Corresponding) Chapter Registrar Chapter Treasurer Chapter Historian Chapter Librarian 	National Chairman/Vice Chairman Junior Member C.A.R. Member C.A.R. Senior Leader Guest / HODAR Credentialed Medical Professional	
Chapter Member	Chapter Chairman		

ISDAR Northwest District Call



District Director Mary Thunhorst

Invites Northwest Iowa Daughters to attend the District Meeting

Saturday, November 15, 2025 1:00-4:00 pm

United Church of Christ

1611 Williams Drive, Fort Dodge, IA 50501

For questions, please contact the District Director mdthunhorst@gmail.com - (712) 330--7405

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

Registration Deadline is Friday, November 7, 2025

Mail the below form to:

Mary Thunhorst, 1302 Ithaca Avenue, Spirit Lake, IA 51360-1339

or scan to: mdthunhorst@gmail.com

DISTRICT MEETING REGISTRATION FORM			
Name Chapter			
Address	City/Zip		
There is no registration fee. Light refreshments will be available.			
YOUR OFFICE (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)			
State Regent State Vice Regent Honorary State Regent State Officer	Chapter ChaplainChapter Secretary(Recording or Corresponding)Chapter Registrar	National Chairman/Vice Chairman Junior Member C.A.R. Member	
State Chairman	Chapter Treasurer	C.A.R. Senior Leader	
Chapter Regent	Chapter Historian	Guest / HODAR	
Chapter Vice Regent Chapter Member	Chapter Librarian Chapter Chairman	Credentialed Medical Professional	

Name Badges

It is getting close to our Fall Forum and another printing of name badges. If you or any member of your chapter would like to have the Iowa State name badge, please complete the following form and submit it with payment to me by this Monday, August 25th.

I will pick them up on my way and to have them available to you or your Regent at our Fall Forum. If you have any questions, please email cpcms@yahoo.com or call 319-750-4878.

Thank you for your continued support of the YB Boutique and the Iowa Juniors.

Mail Name Badge Order Form to: Cyndie Reppert PO Box 333 Ft. Madison IA 52627







There's still time! Our Summer isn't completely gone! We have a few short weeks to clean out our closets, drawers and storage places. Formal dresses, "business" attire, jewelry, and purses & handbags are always welcomed!

Something new this time? If you are a crossstitcher please stop by the Dress Exchange table – I have a patriotic pattern or two for you!

See you in September!

DAR Name Badge Order Form (Read all Notes at the bottom of the form before placing your order.)	Print Name as it should appear on your Name Badge:	DAR Chapter Name: Check the box in front of your chapter
□ Algona, Algona Chapter □ Ames, Sun Dial-Solomon Dean Chapter □ Ankeny, Camp Dodge Chapter □ Belle Plaine, Artesia Chapter □ Boone, DeShon Chapter □ Burlington, Stars & Stripes Chapter □ Carroll, Priscilla Alden Chapter □ Cedar Falls, Cedar Falls Chapter □ Cedar Rapids, Ashley Chapter □ Cedar Rapids, Mayflower Chapter □ Cherokee, Pilot Rock Chapter □ Clarion, Lucy Standish/Newcastle Chapter □ Council Bluffs, Council Bluffs Chapter □ Creston, Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter □ Davenport, Hannah Caldwell Chapter	□ Des Moines, Abigail Adams Chapter □ Des Moines, Jean Marie Cardinell □ Eldora, Open Fire Chapter □ Fort Dodge, Fort Dodge Chapter □ Fort Madison, Jean Espy Chapter □ Glenwood, Glenwood Chapter □ Grinnell, Grinnell Chapter □ Hampton, Candle-Stick Chapter □ Iowa City, Nathaniel Fellows Chapter □ Iowa City, Pilgrim Chapter □ Knoxville, Henry Knox Chapter □ Maquoketa, Lawrence Van Hook Chapter □ Marion, Marion Linn Chapter □ Marshalltown, Spinning Wheel Chapter □ Mason City, Mason City Chapter □ Mount Pleasant, James Harlan Chapter	 □ Northwood, Helen Hinman Dwelle Chapter □ Onawa, Onawa Chapter □ Osage, Lucretia Deering Chapter □ Ottumwa, Elizabeth Ross Chapter □ Shenandoah, Shenandoah Chapter □ Sioux City, Martha Washington Chapter □ Spirit Lake, Ladies of the Lake Chapter □ Swea City, Anna Maria Lane Chapter □ Tipton, Open Prairie Chapter □ Washington, Washington Chapter □ Waverly, Revolutionary Dames Chapter □ West Union, Hannah Lee Chapter
Contact Email:		
Contact phone:		
Magnet or Pin? ☐ Magnet \$14 ☐	Pin \$12 Notes:	
 Orders will be made to the cor Only the chapter name (not the 	es because of a pacemaker, etc.; order a Pin mpany when we have at least 20 requests to be city) will print on the name badge as sho be. Please make checks payable to: Cyndie to to: Cyndie Reppert PO Box 333	for name badges. own in the sample below.
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 6. Name tags will be delivered at Fall Forum State Conference Arrangements for mailing 	to chapter \ Hanna	DNNE BOONE Caldwell Chapter a Society DAR







American Revolution Experience Traveling Exhibit Coming to a City Near You in August – September – October – November!

How were the lives of ordinary people affected by the events of the American Revolutionary War? This innovative pop-up exhibition includes display panels and interactive digital kiosks that use storytelling, illustration, technology and unique artifacts and primary accounts to connect modern audiences with the people and places that shaped the birth of our nation. Iowa has six chapters hosting the exhibit. Grab your children, grandchildren and friends and view an exhibit near you.

Please double check dates and locations as some changes have been made since the Summer Newsletter

August 30 - September 10, 2025

Sanford Museum & Planetarium, West Gallery 117 East Willow Street Cherokee, IA Pilot Rock Chapter, NSDAR Linda Burkhart, Director Sanfordmuseum@sandfordmuseum.org 712-225-3922

September 14 - 25, 2025

Algona Public Library 210 North Phillips St. Algona, IA Algona Chapter, NSDAR gtmiller@netins.net 605-391-1491 Reception September 14 at 2:00 p.m.-4:00p.m.

September 27 - October 11, 2025

State Historical Building 600 East Locust Street Des Moines, IA Abigail Adams Chapter jholvey21@msn.com 515-306-9214

October 14-25, 2025

Iowa Gold Star Military Museum 7150 Northwest 70th Avenue Johnston, IA Camp Dodge Chapter, NSDAR CampDodgeDAR@gmail.com

October 28 - November 12, 2025

Veterans Hall 300 W Monroe St Mount Pleasant, IA James Harlan Chapter, NSDAR meemaw@live.com 319-654-4980 Reception November 1 at 10:30 a.m.

November 18 - November 27, 2025

KPAC Knoxville Performing Arts Center 1811 W. Madison Knoxville, IA Henry Knox Chapter, NSDAR ahumestonevents@gmail.com 641-820-0694 Ceremony November 19, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Please check with the specific event for times.

Dates and locations may change.

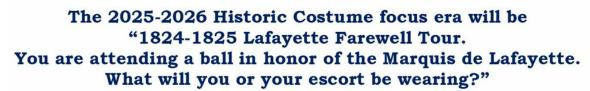
www.battlefields.org





The American Heritage Contest Theme for 2025-2026 will be: "The Road to Independence – Acts of Rebellion and Treason."

The American colonists participated in many acts of defiance against the British Crown. Some of these acts were illegal and could have landed them in jail or worse, gotten them hanged. But independence meant so much that they were willing to risk it all. Which action (or actions) taken by our Patriot ancestors stand out to you on the path of becoming a free and independent nation?



Time to start brainstorming ideas and planning what you will enter! Here are some ideas for the historical costume style.

Suggestions for incorporating the theme:

The road to American independence saw escalating conflict over taxes and representation, culminating in rebellion and to the Declaration of Independence, which was seen as an act of Treason by the British crown but as a just assertion of freedom by the colonists. Escalating tensions with the British led to:

- Taxation without Representation
- The Intolerable Acts
- Proclamation of Rebellion
- First Shots of War
- Boston Tea Party
- First Continental Congress
- Committee of Safety
- Declaration of Independence

Your personal, creative interpretation of the theme is an important part of the contest so be sure to express it in your narrative.

To enter the contest: please fill out an American Heritage Committee Contest Form Packet (AHE-1004). The forms are PDF fillable and must be completed, signed, and accompany all entries. Your entire entry package must contain the entry form, narrative, and six photos. If you are entering as a group, you will add an additional page printed with the names, national numbers, signatures, and how each member contributed. Never send your artwork. You will be judged exclusively by the photos of your entry. Photos must be of good quality, but not too large to send via email. One photo must show the entire entry, with four showing details and one of item construction. If sending historic dress photos, please use a mannequin or a person showing only from the neck down. For Photography category, only send the photo to 20 be judged. NO photos are needed for literature & drama or music.





Submit entries by email ONLY for the following contests directly to the appropriate National Vice Chairs:

- Arts and Sculpture—Chloe Firebaugh and Caroline Greene, National Vice Chair, amheritagevcartsculp@nsdar.org
- Crafts—Anissa Harper, National Vice Chair, amheritagevccrafts@nsdar.org
- Fiber Arts—Send to State Chair, Lisa E. Lang by January 1st, 2026, amheritageiowa@gmail.com
- **Jewelry**—Diane Libertini, National Vice Chair, <u>amheritagevojewelry@nsdar.org</u>
- Photography—Anne Fisher, National Vice Chair, amheritagevcphoto@nsdar.org
- Literature and Drama—Judy Owens, National Vice Chair, amheritagevclitdrama@nsdar.org
- Music—Nancy Jay, National Vice Chair, amheritagevcmusic@nsdar.org

Reminders

- Complete and sign entry form.
- Do not submit artwork, only photos for your entry. Entries will not be returned.

 Review specific contest entry requirements for each category on website and National Information Packet.

- Entries for these contests will only be accepted between January 2, 2026 and February 15, 2026.
 Postal entries will NOT be accepted.
- As a courtesy, send a duplicate of your signed, completed contest entry form ONLY to your state chair, Lisa E. Lang at amheritageiowa@gmail.com
- Fiber Arts entries are judged at the state level first. Each fiber arts entry must be emailed to your STATE CHAIR, Lisa E. Lang at amheritageiowa@gmail.com by January 1, 2026.



2025-2026 American Heritage Committee Theme:

"The Road to Independence -- Acts of Rebellion and Treason

The American colonists participated in many acts of defiance against the British Crown. Some of these acts were illegal and could have landed them in jail or worse, gotten them hanged. But independence meant so much that they were willing to risk it all.

Which action (or actions) taken by our Patriot ancestors stand out to you on the path of becoming a free and independent nation?"

American Heritage Clothing Contest 2025-2025

"1824-1825 Lafayette Farewell Tour You are attending a ball in honor of the Marquis de Lafayette. What will you or your escort be wearing?"

ILLUMINATE OUR LEGACY







Greetings DARlings,

It's that exciting time of year again when school starts. The American History Committee would like you to spread the word about the American Revolution and our DAR American History Contests to the schools. Let's reach out, communicate, educate & illuminate!

The American History Committee will illuminate American History throughout the year by honoring significant historical people, places, dates and events. Let us work together to continue the legacy of DAR with the American History Competitions.

Chapters will find opportunities to "Illuminate the Legacy" as they promote the American History Essay Contest, American History Video Contest, the Patriots of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay Contest, Women in American History and the Excellence in American History DAR Award.

<u>Guidelines For All Contests:</u> Contest essays and videos are to be submitted electronically. Students in a public private or parochial school or those who are homeschool are eligible and an individual may submit an entry directly to a DAR chapter within their state if their class or school is not participating. Contests are conducted without regard to race, religion, sex or national origin.

Please note that the entire submission must be the student's original work. This includes all research, writing and editing, which may be done by the student only and not by a parent, teacher, tutor, Al or other helpers. Essays not following these guidelines will be disqualified. Entries should be emailed to me, State Chairman American History, for state competition by January 15, 2026.

Please read the rules on how to title the entries in the subject line of the email. If you have questions, please ask.

All supplies for the contest winners may be ordered through the DAR Store.

AMERICAN HISTORY ESSAY CONTEST





Question: America will celebrate her 250th birthday on July 4, 2026! If you could go back in time and meet one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence for lunch, who would you choose? How did their actions and service contribute to our Country becoming independent?

Open to Grades 5–8. Length 300-1,000 words (depending on grade level, please check forms) Chapters are encouraged to contact their schools, community libraries, church and youth organizations early about participating. Chapters may reach out to students in the community and do not need to go through just the schools. Please stay within the state of your chapter in

encouraging students to participate.

One essay at each grade level is selected as the chapter winner. The winner's essay, title sheet, and three judges' sheets, should be emailed to me, State Chairman American History for state competition by <u>January 15, 2026</u>. Follow email rules.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION:

- Chapters may award a Bronze Medal to the chapter winners in each grade, a Chapter winner certificate and any other chapter-approved award. Chapters may also elect to award all participants a Certificate of Participation.
- States award a Silver Medal to the state winner in each grade, a state winner certificate, and other state-approved awards.

FORMS FOR REFERENCE:

Detailed instructions and forms can be found in the NIP and by downloading form AHC-2000.

- American History Essay Electronic Contest Submission Form 2024 2025 Grades 5 8 (AHC-1008)
- American History Committee Essay Contests Cover Sheet and Signature Form (AHC-1009)
- American History Essay Contest 2024-2025 Information for Chapter and School use (AHC-1000)
- American History "Lunch with a Signer" promotional flyer (AHC-1004)
- American History Essay Contest Judge's Scoring Sheet (AHC-1001)

AMERICAN HISTORY VIDEO CONTEST

Chapters are encouraged to conduct the American History Video Contest, all grades 5-12 with two categories (5-8 & 9-12). The video may be written and acted out by no more than two students. The Video may be up to three minutes in length. Timing of the video begins when the first visual image appears or the first sound is heard, timing ends when the last visual image or sound ends, including source credits. The student must announce only the title of the video and the students name before starting the video, which does not count for the three minutes

Please note that the entire video must be an original work written and created by the students if professional photos, film, media clips, images recorded music, or anything that is not copyright is used in the video. They must be properly credited in the source credits at the end of the video. The entire video must be the students original work and not buy a parent teacher tutor, Al or other helper each video must include a complete title page. (AHC - 1012)

Categories for this contest will be:

♦ STUDENTS IN GRADES 5, 6, 7, & 8

FOR 2025 - 2026 VIDEO TITLE: "LUNCH WITH A SIGNER"

TOPIC: America will celebrate her 250th birthday on July 4, 2026! If you could go back in time and meet one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence for lunch, who would you choose? How did their actions and service contribute to our Country becoming independent?

♦ STUDENTS IN GRADES 9 -12 2025 -2026 VIDEO TITLE: "REVOLUTION ERA FIGURE:"

TOPIC: Select a figure from the era of the American Revolution (1773-1783). Discuss how he or she influenced the course of the American Revolution, who he or she was and his/her contribution to the founding of a new nation. Figures may be any person, whether a well-known figure or an everyday man, woman, or child who supported the American Revolution in ways large or small.

Chapters are encouraged to contact their schools, community libraries, church and youth organizations early about participating. Chapters may reach out to students in the community and do not need to go through just the schools. Please stay within the state of your chapter in encouraging students to participate.

♦ One video at each grade level is selected as the chapter winner. The winner's video, title sheet, and three judges' sheets, should be emailed to me, State Chairman American History, by <u>January 15, 2026</u>, for state competition. Please follow email rules.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Chapters may award a Bronze Medal to the chapter winners in each grade category, a Chapter winner certificate and any other chapter-approved award. Chapters may also elect to award all participants a Certificate of Participation.
- States award a Silver Medal to the state winner in each grade, a state winner certificate, and other state-approved awards.

FORMS FOR REFERENCE:

Detailed instructions and forms can be found in the NIP and by downloading form AHC-2001.

- American History Electronic Contest Submission Form 2024 2025 Grades 5 12 (AHC-1008)
- American History Committee Video Contests Cover Sheet and Signature Form (AHC-1009)
- American History Video Contest 2024-2025 Information for Chapter and School use (AHC-1010)
- American History Video Title Page 2024-2025 (AHC-1012)
- "Enjoying a new kind of Tea Party!" promotional flyer (AHC-1013)
- American History Video Contest Judge's Scoring Sheet (AHC-1011)



PATRIOTS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION DAR (HIGH SCHOOL) ESSAY CONTEST



Chapters are encouraged to promote the American Revolution DAR High School Essay Contest for grades 9,10,11,12.

TOPIC: Select a figure from the era of the American Revolution (1773-1783). Discuss how he or she influenced the course of the American Revolution, who he or she was and his/her contribution to the founding of a new nation. Figures may be any person, whether a well-known figure or an everyday man, woman, or child who supported the American Revolution in ways large or small.

Students are encouraged to use primary sources (i.e. immediate, first-hand accounts such as letters, diaries speeches, or newspaper reports) for their research. Lesser-known figures are acceptable, but subjects must have been actual participants, i.e. not fictional.

One chapter winning essay is submitted to me, State Chair of American History by <u>January 15, 2026</u>. Please follow email rules.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Chapters select one essay as the chapter winner. Chapters may award a chapter winner the
 certificate/bronze medal set and other chapter-approved awards. Chapters may also award each
 participant a Patriots of the American Revolution Essay Participation Certificate.
- At the State level, one Patriots of the American Revolution essay is selected as the State-level winner, and a certificate/silver medal set is presented and other state-approved awards.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHAPTERS AND STATES - Detailed instructions and forms can be found in the NIP and by downloading form AHC-2002. Please review form AHC-2002. This is the instruction for the Patriots Essay Contest.

The instructions include details for the high school student to create a title page of their own.

FORMS FOR REFERENCE:

- Patriots of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay Contest flyer (AHC-1005)
- Patriots of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay Contest instructions (AHC-1002)
- American History Committee Essay Contests Cover Sheet and Signature Form (AHC-1009)
- Patriots of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay Contest Judge's scoring (AHC-1003)

Thank You for Supporting Our Students as We look forward to a wonderful year!

* "Be a Shining Star"

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Our Native American Indians, American's first peoples, have shaped our nation through their cultural, religious, social and political contributions. It is up to us, as Daughters, to contribute back to them through the many programs of the American Indians Committee.



Native American Heritage Recognition Month is celebrated in November. It is fast approaching. Each chapter is encouraged to have a proclamation signed in their community recognizing the contributions of the Native Americans. A sample proclamation is posted on the Iowa DAR Committee web site.

The National American Indian Committee website includes some fascinating American Indian programs you can present as a program or use as American Indian minutes. It also will give you information on the Schools, Scholarships, Needs Lists, Grants, Camp, and Pin information.

The success of the American Indian Committee depends on each of us in our chapters--together we can do so much for the Native American youth.





NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
AMERICAN INDIANS COMMITTEE

Proclamation

National American Indian Heritage Month

	National American Indian Heritage Month	
WHEREAS,	 the history and culture of our great nation have been significantly influenced Indians and indigenous peoples; and 	d by American
WHEREAS,	 the contributions of American Indians have enhanced the freedom, progreatness of America today, and 	rosperity, and
WHEREAS,	 their customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of throughout the United States; and 	a rich legacy
WHEREAS,	 Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and recognition was Congress and approved by President George Bush in August 1990, designat of November, as National American Indian Heritage Month; and 	
WHEREAS,	 in honor of National American Indian Heritage Month, community celebrat numerous cultural, artistic, educational, and historical activities have been p 	
NOW THERE	REFORE, I, by virtue of the authority as of	
	do hereby proclaim November as the National American Indian Herita, , and urge all our citizens to obser	ge Month, in
	with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.	
IN WITNESS	SS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of affixed this day of, the year of our Lord and	

Application Task Force Lisa Rex, Chair



Application Task Force: Where was my family during the Revolutionary War?

It has been quite a busy quarter for me, while assisting with AIRS and applications in general, and now I want to share with you what I have learned and what I should have realized years ago.

As you can tell by the title, the lightbulb finally came on while studying the 13 original colonies, and only then did it make me realize, the colonies were not the actual size that the states are now but much bigger. What brought this clarification to light?

As I was working on an AIR letter trying to prove that the individual on the application was the same person listed on the muster rolls, proving service and residence, both of what the genie was asking for. The patriot was from Virginia and served under a Col. listed with the Kentucky Militia. Well, how can that be where a non-existent state has a militia? Kentucky formed a militia during the Revolutionary War because it was a frontier region facing threats from Native Americans and the British. The militia, composed of local settlers who played a crucial role in defending the region and participating in key campaigns. Since te Kentucky Militia could not fight all by themselves, some joined the Virginia Militia, while others proceeded to join the Continental Line. This explains clearly why a Virginian may have served under a Kentucky Col. Although this was a learning lesson about the formation of militias and where and when they served, and crossed paths, the good news is, the individual was able to locate another patriot and has already been verified. Congratulations to her!!

So if you are having problems finding family in certain areas, make sure you are looking under what were the colonies and their land claims, before the end of the Revolutionary War. Breakdowns of the colonies are listed here.

I have shared a colored map that shows the reference in which I was referring to above. This is before and during the war.



Massachusetts Colony: Wisconsin, Michigan, Maine, Massachusetts

Connecticut Colony: Illinois, Indiana, Lower Michigan, Upper Ohio and Connecticut

Virginia Colony: Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky. and Virginia

North Carolina Colony: Tennessee and North Carolina

Georgia Colony: Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi

United States by 1850



Just remember anytime you are doing research, recognition of every little detail helps.



Illuminate Our Legacy Through Civic Engagement

The Storage Administration encourages chapters to <u>Illuminate Our Legacy</u> of good citizenship by leading through example in civic engagement.

One way to do this is by participating in the **Citizen Challenge**, which helps members become familiar with the

Naturalization Test. Chapters can take part by hosting a citizenship program or by completing the test together.

This initiative supports the committee's mission to inspire members to practice, promote, and celebrate patriotism, good citizenship, and civics within their chapters, states, and local communities.

Visit the committee page on the national website for project ideas, resources, forms, and certificates. You can also explore the **Luminary Citizens** page to see how other chapters are making an impact.

The Americanism Committee's Chapter Master Report (CMR) will focus on:

- Sharing the DAR *Manual of Citizenship*
- Americanism activities such as <u>medals</u>, <u>naturalization ceremonies</u>, <u>classes</u>, <u>and Citizenship Day events</u>
- Patriotic and citizenship programs, including patriotic songs, chapter and public programs, civic events, and the American's Creed
- · Citizen Challenge-related activities



The national Americanism Committee will recognize individuals, chapters, and state societies for programs, projects, and activities reported in the CMR.

To be considered, complete the Americanism Committee section of your CMR and include text describing your programs, activities, and awards.

Finally, please submit a full report of any special activities or projects—along with photos—to the state chair at **linda.harvan@gmail.com**.



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CITIZENSHIP



ISDAR Bus Tour to Continental Congress 2026

June 21- June 30, 2026

10 days | 9 Nights | 13 Meals

Starting at \$2,499

Are you ready to celebrate America 250 at Continental Congress? The ISDAR Bus Tour is a convenient way to experience all that our beloved conference has to offer with your fellow Iowa Daughters. The link for more information and to sign up is here:

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Please direct all questions to Shannon Woods, Chairman

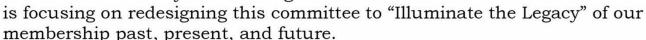
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ShanWoods055@gmail.com



Women's Issues Committee reimagined as Celebrate Daughters Committee

The Celebrate Daughters Committee is a redesign of the Women's Issues Committee established in 2001 to reflect the needs of the women in DAR today. The Storage Administration



The committee will highlight Professional Development, Health and Wellness, and Celebrate our Members.

Professional Development

The first pillar is Professional Development. Historically the committee has only scratched the surface of our members and their professional backgrounds. We will work to create resources for professional networking and mentorship programs to enrich networking opportunities between members across the country and world. This will provide an incredible depth of relationship building engagement and resources within our own membership.

Women's Health and Wellness

The second pillar of the committee will concentrate on Women's Health and Wellness to ensure that we are providing our members with continual resources to better their physical and mental health. Healthy initiatives are a vital part of making sure that our membership is supported on their personal health journey.

Celebrate Daughters

The third pillar will Celebrate our Members! Each one of our members brings talents, passion and life experiences to DAR. We want to highlight and recognize these women across the country and world for their many contributions to our organization, communities and beyond. This pillar of our committee provides an opportunity for our members to connect with each other creating a member's community that highlight our common interests, professional and personal experiences and captures the essence of today's DAR.

Please note, there will not be an annual essay contest within this committee during the Storage Administration. Visit the Celebrate Daughters Committee webpage for more information and new monthly themes! Also, join the Celebrate Daughters Committee on the Daughters Online Community (DOC) for all the latest news.

Marla Suter State Chairman, Celebrate Daughters Committee ATE DAUGHTA

LIUMINATE THE LEG



New Commemorative Events to Celebrate

With the installation of the NSDAR President General Storage administration last June, we are planning to celebrate NEW commemorative events in our state and at our chapter meetings for the next 3 years. It is exciting to see what the new committee has in store for us.

First, the **50th Anniversary of the Commemoration of the Vietnam War, started on Memorial Day 2012 and will end on Veterans Day of 2025.** This program has been very successful and Daughters across our country have become very involved honoring Vietnam veterans including Iowa. In the next few months please continue to honor those who served.



70th Anniversary of Rosa Parks' Refusal to Give Up Her Seat on an Alabama Bus *Illuminating Our Path to Civil Rights*. December 1, 1955.





On the morning of September 11, 2001, 19 terrorists hijacked four commercial airliners with scheduled flights from the east coast to California. The Twin Towers of the World Trade Center and the Pentagon were intended targets, with a fourth aircraft striking an open field at Shanksville, PA, when the passengers and crew challenged the terrorists. **Never Forget.**

140th Anniversary of the Statue of Liberty

Illuminating the Ideals Upon Which Our Nation Was Founded.

Dedicated October 28, 1886, the Statue of Liberty is a colossal neoclassical sculpture on Liberty Island in New York Harbor. The copper statue was a gift from the people of France. She is an icon, a national treasure, and one of the most recognizable figures in the world. Each year millions make the journey to experience her history and grandeur in person.



250th Anniversary of the "Stars and Stripes"

Illuminating Our National Symbol. In June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress passed the Flag Resolution, stating that the Flag would be made up of thirteen alternating red and white stripes and thirteen white, five-pointed stars on a blue field. Stars have been added to the flag as new states join the union, the latest addition on August 21, 1959 when Hawaii was admitted to the Union.

240th Anniversary of the Northwest Ordinance

Illuminating the Path to Statehood and the Development of a Nation. Congress enacted the Ordinance on July 13, 1787 establishing a framework for governing the Northwest Territory and outlining the procedure for admitting new states to the Union.







250th Anniversary of the Treaty of Alliance and Treaty of Amity and Commerce with France

Illuminating the Comity Between our Nation and Its Oldest Ally.

The American Colonies and France signed the Treaty of Alliance on February 6, 1778, formalizing France's financial and military support for the revolutionary government in America. The two sides agreed that neither France nor the United States would make peace with England until the independence of the United States was recognized. France recognized the United States as an independent nation.

250th Anniversary of Independence Day

The biggest commemorative event for NSDAR will be this event and it is taking place throughout our nation for the whole year. Because it is such a big and important event it has its own committee. Please refer to the America 250! Committee webpage for resources, events, and activities surrounding the commemoration of our Nation's Semiquincentennial, as well as that Committee's protocol for reporting your America 250! commemorative event.

Now it is our chance to celebrate these events. How will your chapter help members and your community remember and honor our history. The NSDAR Commemorative Events webpage will be posting resources for us and please check the Iowa website for additional local information as it becomes available.



Chapter Regents,

School is starting and now would be a good time for your Community Classroom Committee to contact the principals and teachers in your local schools. Ask what they need or could, use financial aid, history programs, volunteer help and maybe a basket of treats for a job well done. Get creative to promote history, patriotism, and give our teachers a hand along with a Thank You for their work.

Regents be sure to pick up more information in your mailbox for the new school year at our Fall Forum.

State Community Classroom Committee Co-Chairs Janet Ritchie and Barb Anderson







SEVEN TIPS TO IMPROVE YOUR RECYCLING

Recycling is a regional enterprise, and each city has different rules, which complicates things for residents who just want to know how to recycle correctly. The truth is that recycling is confusing. Below are a few recycling best practices From Earth Day.org:

1. No bags. Like really, no bags

Grocery bags, sandwich bags, bubble wrap, plastic wrapping and other flimsy materials that as soft enough to push your finger through dissolve into potentially harmful microplastics and, in the case of ingestion or entanglement, hurt and kill animals. They're pretty much the worst. Even though these bags are technically recyclable, you must go to a drop-off area to do that, not your curbside bin. Many grocery stores have bins for them. Plastic bags are the number-one contaminant in recycling loads. Plastic bags act as "tanglers," getting caught in machinery and shutting down the equipment. In some cases, when plastic bags full of recyclables arrive at the facility, workers are not allowed to open the bags. That means the entire bag, even if it's full of water bottles, is considered trash.

2. Small things are big problems

Don't recycle anything smaller than a business card. That includes straws, bottle caps, coffee pods, plastic cutlery, paperclips, and a million other tiny things that creep into our daily lives. These objects are too small to be sorted and can jam the recycling equipment. BUT if you put the plastic cap back on the bottle, it is now bigger than a business card and won't gum up the equipment. So that's okay.

3. Make sure it's clean, empty and dry

Food waste contaminates whole loads of recyclable material, rendering them useless and fast-tracking them to landfills. In the U.S., food waste contaminates 25 percent of recycling loads. But just how clean? Clean enough to use again. So, if you're putting things in the bin and you're concerned about rodents or rats or anything like that, then chances are your recyclables are not clean.

With that in mind, be wary of advertising at your local fast-food joint. If it says recyclable but is covered with food it's not recyclable. If they are only partly dirty, you can always tear off the clean part and recycle that.

4. Combined materials are trash

Recycling only works when like materials are together. Unfortunately, items like plastic-coated coffee cups, laminated paper and paper-bubble wrap envelopes from the mail can't ever be separated, which means they're trash.

5. Know your plastics

Not all plastics are treated equally. Rigid plastics are recyclable, labeled by resin codes 1 through 7. Generally, the higher the number, the less recyclable it is. Most recycling centers will recycle plastics 1 and 2 without a problem. Past that, it gets tricky.

A lot of plastic just isn't recyclable curbside. You can't recycle plastic bags or films. You can't recycle anything that can tear like paper. That means no cracker bags, chip bags or cereal bags.

6. Stop wish-cycling

When it comes to recycling, <u>one of the worst things you can do is wish-cycle</u>. That's when we optimistically put non-recyclable objects in recycling bins. If there's too much trash mixed into the recycling load — that entire load will end up in a landfill.

So, when you wish-cycle, you screw up the entire system.

7. Teach yourself

At the end of the day, we can't know everything. There's a bunch of stuff we accumulate over our lives — batteries, electronics, paint cans, toys, clothing, wood — and they, unfortunately, all have separate drop off centers or special instructions for recycling.

Find your local recycling website and locate recycling sites for the more complicated stuff.





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

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

NSDAR Scholarships

Each year the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) awards multiple scholarships to students showing dedication to the pursuit of higher education in diverse areas of study. DAR's scholarships are awarded and judged without regard to gender, race, color, religion, national origin, or disability. Applicants prove to be citizens of the United States. Class rank, SAT or ACT is no longer required. For detailed information, applicants should access the NSDAR website https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships. All applications are submitted using the online portal https://dar.academicworks.com which opens November 1 and closes January 31 each year.

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

ISDAR Scholarships

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

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

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

Completed applications for Iowa Society scholarships are due to the Scholarship Chair by January 15.

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

Janelle Morgan, State Scholarship Chair

Phone: 641.745.0144 or email: morganj_5@hotmail.com

Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship Application

Check one or both: Ar	melia Jenks Bloomer Scholarship	ISDAR Scholarship
Full Name		
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Name of parents/guardian		
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Completed applications (all in one	e mailing) must be received by the Scho	olarship Chair by January 15.
Email to isdarscholarship@gmail	.com or <u>morganj_5@hotmail.com</u> or se	end through the mail to:
Janelle Morgan • DAR Scholarship	Committee Chair • 301 East Iowa St. 0	Greenfield, Iowa 50849

Phone: 641.745.0144

Iowa Society DAR Scholarship Amelia Jenks Bloomer Scholarship

lowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution provides two college scholarships for graduating high school students who plan to attend a U.S. Department of Education accredited school of post-secondary education. Each scholarship is in the amount of \$1000.

Criteria:

- Must be an American citizen and an Iowa resident and be of good character
- Plan on attending a U.S. Department of Education accredited school of post-secondary education
- Have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 based on a 4.0 scale
- Show merit and financial need
- Be recommended by the Chapter Regent; each ISDAR chapter is entitled to 1 nomination per scholarship
- Be received by January 15.



Applı	cations are available from	
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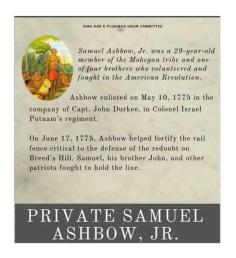
The E Pluribus Unum Committee promotes shining your light to illuminate our legacy. This committee was established on June 29, 2025 under the Storage Administration. The Committee's mission is to perpetuate the legacy of all the men and women who supported the cause of independence.

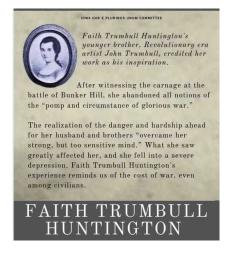


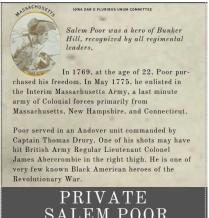
The E Pluribus Unum Committee page on the National Website has resources available to help you add in Forgotten Patriots minutes into your meetings and newsletters. Here is the link to the public webpage:

https://honoringourpatriots.dar.org/e-pluribus-unum-main/ Check the site regularly as more links continue to be added.

In addition, I am developing graphics that look like trading cards, which I post weekly on the Iowa DAR Facebook page. Right now, most of the patriots I have done are those who were involved in the Battle of Bunker Hill, but I'm working on adding more to the pack. If you'd like to use any of these trading card graphics for your newsletters or agendas, let me know, and I will email a pdf of some of them to you.









DAR Good Citizens Committee

This year the DAR Good Citizens Committee will be celebrating its 92nd year with the graduating class of 2026. It began in 1934 as the DAR Good Citizenship Pilgrimage awarding girls from 4-year high schools from a resolution of the Continental Congress. The name changed was adopted in 1952, monetary gifts



were included and eventually included both young women and men.

This year with new national leadership the guidelines for the DAR Good Citizens Essay and Scholarship have been well defined. *Please read them carefully* as they are specific on how the materials are to be given to the schools, and what/how you as a DAR Good Citizens Chapter Chair are to pass on to the next level of judging. In our state, you will send your winner's packet to your District Chair and the winner from that District will be passed on to me for State Judging.

ISDAR Good Citizens District Chairs:

NW: Landra McClellan- Anna Maria Lane Chapter

NE: Lucy Zeimet- Lawrence Van Hook Chapter

SW: Jane Briley- Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter

SE: Heather Wells- Washington Chapter

Please refer to the ISDAR calendar for the DAR Good Citizens deadlines. As always, contact me for questions you have or any clarification you may need. Please stop by the DAR Good Citizens Committee table during Fall Forum as I would love to meet you!

Serving with you,

Michelle A Johnson

State Good Citizens Committee Chair



After attending Continental Congress in DC, I came home enthusiastic to <u>Illuminate Our Legacy!</u> Need I remind you that Historical Preservation is a pillar of DAR?



What can members of every chapter of Iowa Society of DAR do to Illuminate Our Legacy? The objective of this committee is to assist members with historic preservation projects, recognize these efforts, and catalog DAR historic sites and properties. How is this accomplished?

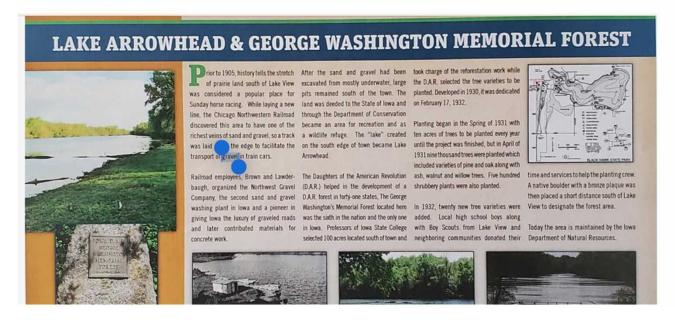
- 1. Chapters are encouraged to seek grants for projects that exemplify historic preservation. I can help with application information.
- 2. Contributions are acknowledged through the Historic Preservation Medal, the Historic Preservation Recognition Award and the Excellence in Historic Preservation Award.
 - 3. Updating the Historic Sites and Properties Database.

Recording Secretary General Colleen Rafferty Joyce advises the chapter leaders that "nurturing members and ensuring their involvement in purposeful service is essential to fostering a robust and dynamic membership". I'm encouraging the involvement of your chapter members in Historic Preservation projects.

My husband and I took a day trip in July to visit the George Washington Memorial Forest in Lake View, Iowa. I am sharing some of the information about this interesting part of our state with you in the picture below and want to encourage your members to visit our historic DAR sites and properties.

Lastly, may I suggest some Historic Preservation programs for your chapter meetings that other chapters have used: historic quilting, tree preservation, trail markers, historic property in your community, establishing and maintaining Little Free Libraries.

Interesting programs increase membership attendance.



Iowa State Leadership Training . Sharleen Newton, Chair

The Leadership Training Committee is proud to announce the following course graduates since April 2025:

Members Course:

Jeanette Bodermann, Jean Marie Cardinell.

Project: Organize Chapter attendance in a 4th of July parade.

Marty Hansen, Jean Marie Cardinell.

Project: ISDAR Quarterly Newsletter production.

Pam Wall, Camp Dodge.

Project: Pieced and quilted a baby quilt for donation to a veteran family with a new baby.

Committee Leaders Course:

Marty Hansen, Jean Marie Cardinell.

Chapter Event Planned: ISDAR Spring Conference 2025 Dress Exchange.

This committee is also proud to announce that several daughters are actively working toward a special award, the Delta Star, which is given to daughters who have completed all three of the Leadership Training courses.

The Leadership Training Committee strongly encourages all daughters to consider taking one or more of the courses. It is important to note that NSDAR does pay attention to the daughters who have completed the available training courses offered. This includes the three Leadership Training courses as well as the many GEP courses.

The future of NSDAR depends on having daughters who have invested in improving their skills and knowledge to help move us into the future. Staff at National will increasingly look to the DOC (Daughter's Online Community) to find future leaders. That process has already started.

So, reach out to the two program coordinators to sign up. For inquiries regarding the *Members Course*, *contact Dianne Chadwick* (diannechadwickdar@gmail.com) Program Coordinator for that course. For inquiries regarding both the *Committee Leaders Course and the New Horizons Course*, *contact Terri Toppler* (darth5mom@aol.com) Program Coordinator for those two courses.

NSDAR has removed the requirement to have a subscription to the award-winning American Spirit magazine before daughters can take the Leadership Training courses. If that has stopped you from taking advantage of these courses, now would be a great time to start! You are still encouraged to take advantage of the informative magazine and accompanying Daughters Newsletter to help you be a better member of your chapter, of ISDAR, and of NSDAR.

Remember: you, your chapter and NSDAR will benefit from well-trained members. Respectfully submitted,
Sharleen Heer Newton

Chair, Leadership Training Committee



National Defense: The Colonist Standing Their Ground

Written by Karen Hansen and Lisa Rex

After British Commander-in-Chief Sir Thomas Gage received orders to seize militia weapons and capture Patriot leaders, the first engagements of the Revolutionary War began in April 1775.

Lexington and Concord: The war began on April 19, 1775, after Paul Revere warned the Patriots of a British plan to seize a weapons depot. The battles resulted in significant British casualties and led to the Patriots besieging Boston.

Boston: In June 1775, the British won a costly victory at the **Battle of Bunker Hill**, suffering over 1,000 casualties. George Washington was appointed commander-in-chief of the newly formed Continental Army and took command in July. He used heavy artillery to force the British to evacuate Boston in March 1776, marking a major early victory for the Americans.

Invasion of Canada: Fearing a British-Native American alliance, American forces invaded Quebec in April 1775. They were defeated at the **Battle of Quebec** in December and were ultimately forced to retreat from Canada in the summer of 1776.

The South: In the South, a British governor promised freedom to slaves who joined the British army, leading to a clash in Virginia. In the Carolinas, Patriot militias defeated Loyalists in several battles, including the **Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge**, and repelled a British naval attack on Charleston in June 1776.

The Bahamas: American forces seized a key British gunpowder supply in the Bahamas in March 1776, an important action that secured much-needed munitions for the Continental Army.



Taking Back Boston

The **siege of Boston** (April 19, 1775 – March 17, 1776)

The siege began on April 19 after the Revolutionary War's first battles at Lexington and Concord, when Massachusetts militias blocked land access to Boston. The Continental Congress, meeting in Philadelphia, formed the Continental Army from the militias involved in the fighting and appointed George Washington as commander-in-chief. In June 1775, the British seized Bunker Hill and Breed's Hill, two Continental Army positions overlooking Boston; their casualties proved heavy, and their gains insufficient to break the Continental Army's encirclement. After this, the Americans laid siege to Boston; no major battles were fought during this time, and the conflict was limited to occasional raids, minor skirmishes, and sniper fire. British efforts to supply their troops were significantly impeded by the smaller but more agile Continental Army and patriot forces that were operating on land and sea. The British suffered from a continual lack of food, fuel, and supplies.

In November 1775, George Washington sent Henry Knox on a mission to bring the heavy artillery that had recently been captured at Fort Ticonderoga. In a technically complex and demanding operation, Knox brought the cannons to Boston in January 1776, and this artillery fortified Dorchester Heights which overlooked Boston Harbor. This development threatened to cut off the British supply lifeline from the sea. British commander William Howe saw his position as indefensible, and he withdrew his forces from Boston to Halifax, Nova Scotia, on March 17.

Project Patriot Teri Miller, Chair

DAR PROJECT PATRIOT ILLUMINATES OUR LEGACY By Supporting our Nation's Military!



The DAR Project Patriot Committee is the official Daughters of the American Revolution committee that supports America's service members and their families. It does not support veterans' projects.

For more information about the current needs of the committee, please go to the DAR Project Patriot committee page at https://www.dar.org/members/committees/service-committees/dar-project-patriot/committee-overview. Chapters and Individual members are encouraged to support the men and women serving in uniform in any way appropriate including:

- · Sending care packages to deployed service members
- Supporting service members stationed in the United States
- Writing and sending cards of thanks and support to the military
- Supporting family members of our military
- Supporting military children during the Month of the Military Child each April
- Recognizing family members during Military Family Appreciation Month each November
- · Recognizing military spouses on Military Spouse Appreciation Day each May
- Mail coupons to bases overseas and in CONUS

At the national level, DAR support is focused on active-duty military service members and their families at six locations:

- The Chaplain's Closet at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany
- Walter Reed National Military Medical Center Bethesda, Maryland
- Brooke Army Medical Center, in San Antonio, Texas
- Camp Atterbury, Indiana, a Mobilization Training Center
- Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California
- Units Overseas Liaison
- Fort Belvoir, Virginia

New and current projects can be found on the national website at https://www.dar.org/members/committees/service-committees/dar-project-patriot/additional-projects

Teri Miller

State Chair DAR Project Committee

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Happy Fall, Ladies!

'Tis the season of busy days in DAR, especially Service for Veterans! There are many meaningful ways to honor, remember, and support our heroes in the coming months.



On September 11th, Patriot Day & National Day of Service and Remembrance, we honor our military and first responders. Say a prayer for the victims, their families, and the many citizens who stepped up during our nation's time of need. September 19th is National POW/MIA Recognition Day, observed on the third Friday of September. Consider setting up a Missing Man Table at a local restaurant. Most eateries feel honored to participate, just reach out and ask! November 11th, Veterans Day, is a day to celebrate and thank all U.S. military veterans for their service and sacrifice.

<u>Now is the time to begin nominations for the DAR Service for Veterans Awards.</u> The national website contains award information, instructions, and application forms. Please submit your completed nominations to your state chair no later than December 15th. Awards include Outstanding Veteran Volunteer, Outstanding Youth Volunteer, and Outstanding DAR Service for Veterans.

<u>Start reviewing your chapter's CMR (Chapter Master Report).</u> Present the SFV questions to your chapter and begin gathering notes now, it'll make year-end reporting a breeze!

The NIP (National Information Packet) is now available. Be sure to explore the SFV section on the national website for ideas and opportunities. The SFV SIP SFV State Information Packet is also complete. These are both valuable tools! There are so many opportunities to volunteer: set up Missing Man Tables at local eateries, paint and distribute Veterans Kindness Rocks, volunteer or donate at shelters, hospitals, clinics, stand downs, and hand out Thank You cards to veterans you meet.

The Shoebox Project is back! This year's theme is Craft/Model Building. Ideas include small model kits, LEGOs, ceramics, and other hands-on craft sets. While toiletries are always appreciated, the VA Community Resource and Referral Center reminds us these gifts are about joy and dignity. For many homeless veterans, this may be the only gift they receive during the holidays. Let's make it special! You can find affordable options at Walmart, Target, or Amazon. Our goal is at least 50 Shoebox Projects!

Let's make this fall a season of gratitude, service, and honor. Thank you for all you do in Service for Veterans! Always, Wear Your Heart on Your Sleeve for Veterans!

DAR VAVS Representative VA Central Iowa Care System

VAVS Representative, Joanne Tinker VAVS Deputy Representative, Jeanne McMillan



Dear Iowa Daughters,

Central Iowa VA Health Care System in Des Moines offers a truly rewarding and dynamic environment for volunteers. With a wide range of meaningful and enjoyable opportunities, there is always something new happening that allows volunteers and donors to make a real impact.

One of the recent additions to the Volunteer Task Room is a newly installed cookie maker, which produces warm, delicious cookies. These treats are served alongside hot coffee on the comfort cart that makes its way throughout the hospital, bringing comfort and care to patients and staff alike.

In addition to the cookie maker, the Volunteer Task Room is also receiving updated coffee makers. The current equipment is outdated and often messy, but the new machines will feature a direct waterline connection, making it faster and easier to brew fresh, high-quality coffee.

<u>The VA is also introducing a Flag Retirement Box in the front lobby.</u> This new feature allows Veterans to respectfully retire worn American flags. Attached to the box will be a holder containing copies of the United States Flag Code, available for distribution and educational purposes.

Another inspiring addition is a beautiful, Bronze Braille U. S. Flag originally gifted to the VA and recently discovered on a staff member's desk. Plans are now in place to mount the flag on a mobile base, allowing it to travel to various departments throughout the hospital. Its first stop will be the Vision Impaired Clinic, where it will serve as a meaningful and inclusive symbol.

<u>There are countless opportunities to become involved as a volunteer.</u> The process to join is simply completing a background check and choosing a service area that matches your interests. Whether you are looking to give back, support Veterans, or be part of a vibrant and compassionate community, your time and talents are welcome here.

<u>Donations are always appreciated and greatly needed.</u> While all donated items must be new, gently used books are accepted. At this time, there is a particular need for books in genres other than Westerns, which are currently well-stocked.

Come be a part of something special.

Join us in serving those who have served us all.

Jeanne McMillan VAVS Deputy Representative, Central Iowa

Donation Information



The VA Central Iowa Health Care System sincerely appreciates your donations, which will be utilized to enhance the quality of life for residents living at our facility. All donations received directly benefit over +150 inpatient and +67,000 Veterans within Central Iowa.

Please read this form thoroughly to ensure we are able to accept your donation.

How to donate: Please flip page to find out more!

Resident Clothing Needs

We can only accept <u>new items</u> (Primarily need size M-4X)

- Long Sleeved shirts
- Military ball caps (new)
- Tennis shoes (men's sizes 10.5 - 13)
- XL Boxers/briefs
- Men's shoes with Velcro
- Duffle Bags
- Sweatpants and Sweatshirts (Medium – 2XL)
- Men's & women's pullover and zip up sweatshirts
- Unisex Slippers with hard sole

Resident Activity Needs

- Simple snap-on models
- Paint or color by numbers
- New batting/stuffing
- Model car kits
- Solid color fabric
- Acrylic Paints
- Framed canvas (various sizes)
- Memory journal with prompts

Branch of Service clothing, blankets, hats, and insulated mugs are residents favorite items.

Resident Personal Care items:

We do not accept partially used or travel size items

- Men's 3 in 1 body wash
- Denture Care items (Cleanser, Adhesives, wipes, toothpaste)
- Body lotion
- Electric razors

- Hair Gel
- Cologne and perfume (cannot contain alcohol)
- Reading Glasses (1.50, 1.75, 2.25, 2.75, 3.5, 4.0)
- Men's & Women's deodorant

Resident Recreation

- Handheld electronic games
- Cribbage board
- Dice games (Yahtzee, Boggle, ect)
- Digital Alarm Clock (with large numbers)

Resident Snacks

- Candy bars Full and Snack size
- Individually wrapped snack items (Little Debbie's, etc.)
- Low calorie snacks
- Granola Bars
- Swiss Cakes
- Cup of Noodles

- Mac and Cheese in a cup
- Cans / bottles of soda
- Pudding (variety pack)
- Crackers
- Single serving fruit cups
- Snack bars / chips

- Word search / crossword puzzles
- Adult coloring books
- Automatic card shuffler
- Portable radios
- Wireless headphones
- Forever postage stamps
- Books (No westerns or Romance)
- Picture frames (popular sizes 18X24, 12X16, 8X10)

Sponsor an ice cream social, or special resident meal (example: pizza or BBQ)

Not needed at this time: Lap Quilts, Afghans/blankets/crotchet; Jigsaw Puzzles; socks; stocking hats.

Current as of August 8, 2025

Center for Development and Civic Engagement

Monetary Funds

Patient Holiday Fund. Purpose: To support holiday gifts for veterans.

Horses For Heros. Purpose: Jester Park Equine Therapy (inpatient and outpatient)

Homeless Donations. Purpose: Requests for assistance to CRRC through CDCE.

General Purpose. Purpose: Supports General Needs "For the good of all Veterans.

Recreation Fund. Purpose: This fund is used to purchase resident admission costs to all

recreational outings such as to sporting events, movies, the zoo, and museums. This fund also

supports our bowling and other recreational activities for Veterans.

Hospital Refreshments. Purpose: Used to provide hospital refreshments to Veterans.

Terrian Garden Maintenance. Purpose: Maintenance for our Terrain Gardens.

Chaplain Funds. Purpose: To support chaplain services within the facility.

Palliative Care. Purpose: To support Veterans within the palliative care services.

Canteen Books. Purpose: Requests from our social work services to provide Veterans in need the

ability to purchase goods and food within our Canteen store.

Center for Development and Civic Engagement does not assign value to In-Kind donations. It is up to the donor to assign value based on receipts or purchasing invoices.

The Internal Revenue Service has announced that under the Tax Code, donations to the Department of Veterans Affairs' General Post Fund for exclusively public purposes are deductible from federal income taxes in the manner and to the extent allowable. The announcement reflects the tax law provision, which makes those donations deductible as "donations to the United States". Donations to support any of the Department's programs are deductible, whether the donor directs that the donated funds be used for a specific purpose or allows the Department to decide how the donated funds will be used.

How to Donate

Before dropping off your donation, we kindly ask that you CDCE (Voluntary Services) at 515-699-5818 or through email at VHACIHVoluntary@va.gov. For all monetary donations, please make checks payable to VACIHCS and include which fund you would like this to go to. For all donations, please include a note with the name of the person, group or organization donating, a complete address and phone number. Monetary donations are always welcome, please see the other side for details on each account.

Center for Development and Civic Engagement

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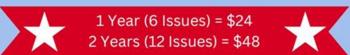
As we are going to "Illuminate our Legacy" during the Storage Administration, we should stop and think what it means. As genealogists we can shine a bright light on

education and training for volunteers preparing new and supplemental applications. We strive to assist members and chapters submit applications that are accurately prepared according to current standards, enabling the DAR genealogists to verify applications as quickly as possible. Not only Volunteer Genealogists, but we all can assist and teach others what we have learned. We can assist our own chapters by serving on the Membership and Lineage Research and Volunteer Genealogy Committee of our own chapters to ensure the success of a new application or a supplemental, and thus inspiring other members. Take classes, ask questions, and learn. Then help others learn. You too can be a volunteer genealogist! Shine the light to show the way!

Carolyn DeLay, Iowa Volunteer Genealogy State Chairman

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Across the State Abigail Adams

Submitted by Susan B. Klein



Chapter Special June Meeting

On a beautiful June morning, Abigail Adams chapter met at Hoyt Sherman Place in Sherman Hill, Des Moines. After a group picture of members attending, we listened to presentation about the history of the mansion and then went on a tour. The mansion is full of beautiful antiques; some dating to the Revolutionary War time. While many may think of this building as a performance venue, it was a home for the Sherman family first. After the mansion was gifted to the City of Des Moines, the Des Moines Women's Club purchased the home for \$1 from the city and started caring for it as well as adding the auditorium. We were particularly interested in the dining room with all of its fine china on the table and silver in the side



cabinets. One has to wondered who did all the polishing. The building was also the first art museum in Des Moines and has a wonderful collection of art work. A big thank you goes to Laura Kozin, our Vice Regent, for organizing the event.

AMERICA

Abigail Adams Chapter is starting the 250th celebration by hosting a special display at the Iowa Historical Building September 27- October 11. The public is invited to visit the Battlefield Trust Traveling American Revolution Exhibit.

A reception for the public will be October 4 at 11 am and the chapter monthly meeting on October 11th will be held at the Historical building. Please join us and share with your family and friends.

> American Revolution Exhibit 600 East Locust, Des Moines, IA September 27-October 11 Open Tuesday-Saturday

> > Abigail Adams chapter gives a big Thank You to: Cindi Carter, Ann Mack, and Pat Barry for organizing three Lineage workshops to help several members research, prepare and submit supplemental applications.

Across the State Algona Submitted by Karen Meurer

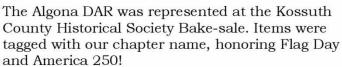




We hope you enjoy our memories in photos!
Joyfully Sparkling,
Karen Meurer, Algona DAR
Recording Secretary / Historian
"Be A Shining Star"



Memorial Day Service – DAR Past Regent Linda Erpelding designed a wreath and placed it at the ceremony for the Veterans of the American Revolution.





Attached photo of the Flag Donation Dedication Ceremony for Flag Day at the Algona Manor, Algona IA. Regent Teri Miller presided as we were honored to have our State Regent Sarah Steinke in

attendance. Also attending was Honorary Past Regent Pat Bilsborough, Past Regent Ann Garton on Zoom, Past Regent Linda Erpelding, four other members present and a guest speaker. We had a very productive meeting. Photos were taken to record in our

scrap book. A very special Thank You State Regent Sarah for taking the time to travel to spend the



afternoon with us.

We are privileged to host the American Revolution Traveling Exhibit with a Reception on Sunday 9/14 2:00pm - 4:00pm at the Algona Public Library. The Algona Library is co-hosting the event.

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The Exhibit is open to the public 9/15 - 9/25 during

library hours as we celebrate Constitution Week. We are coordinating with chapters, schools, the city and other organizations in the region.

We are inviting everyone. If you haven't heard from us you soon will. Please Save These Dates!

Come help us "Illuminate the Legacy"

Algona earned the **Silver** level in the Share the Spirit American Spirit competition. An honor to be recognized, we are incredibly proud of this achievement. Now we need to go for the gold!

As part of this recognition, please find attached the virtual badge for the Silver level. It



would be wonderful to see it proudly displayed on your chapter's webpage, so everyone can admire your accomplishment and share in your success.

Kind regards,

Desiree Medina

Publications Coordinator

National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine Office

National Vice Chair



Across the State Anna Maria Lane

Submitted by Kathy Paul

The **Anna Maria Lane chapter** was the recipient of the **Eugenia Washington Tray for Service to America** with the highest average volunteer hours.



At State Conference Chere McLaughlin, Regent Kathy Paul, State Regent Sarah Steineke

& AML member & State Treasurer Shelley Wells. Shelley Wells, Chere McLaughlin and Kathy Paul attend the 126th ISDAR State Conference April 3-5, 2025.



Anna Maria Lane Chapter Member

<u>Debra Jonsson</u> contributed over

20,000 hours to the Descendants

<u>Project and cards for the Marker</u>

Project.



Shelley Wells and Kathy Paul attended the 134th Continental Congress in Washington D.C. on June 23rd to 28th.

Shelley Wells and Regent Kathy Paul built a float Honoring our Patriots for the July 4th Parade in Armstrong, IA.



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THE AMERICAN ROD

We handed out 700 1776 flags to Veterans and youth in Armstrong on the 4th of July.



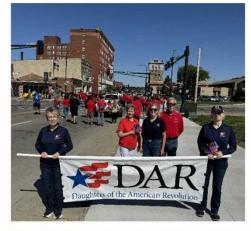


Across the State Cedar Falls

Submitted by Lisa E. Lang



The Cedar Falls Chapter participated in the Waterloo Memorial Day Parade. Members handed out small American flags to people along the parade route. SAR members, David Nation and David Lang (who is also a HODAR) participated with us. David Nation dressed up as a Revolutionary War soldier and David Lang drove a car which sported our new magnetic signs. Our chapter Chaplain, Retired U. S. Army Colonel Heidi Warrington, was the Grand Marshall of the parade.



Lisa E. Lang; Lynette Cline; State Corresponding Sec'y, Debbie Crawford; HODAR Kendal Crawford; and Carla Lown



HODAR and SAR member, David Lang

State Corresponding Sec'y,
Debbie Craw ford;
Regent, Lisa E. Lang;
SAR member, David Nation;
Lynette Cline
and Carla Lown

Several members of the Cedar Falls Chapter welcomed back Cedar Valley Honor Flight participants on June 17th, 2025. It truly is an honor to welcome back the honor flight veterans and their families. Seeing their smiles makes for an unforgettable day!



Janice Thedens; Regent, Lisa E. Lang; Sandy Lawry



Standing is Janice Thedens; Sandy Lawry.
Seated Barb Gregersen; Sue LeQuatte; and
Carla Lown. Kneeling Jeverna Mulligan
and Regent, Lisa E. Lang

Across the State Hannah Lee

Submitted by Peggy Harvey





Peggy Harvey for Earth Day, planted milkweed seeds in her butterfly, pollinator garden. They are growing up nicely.

Valerie Pecinovsky and Wendy Novak participated in the

Decorah Memorial Day parade represent the Hannah Lee chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. They rode in a 1966

Ford Fairlane down Water Street to the Veterans Memorial Park at Mary Christopher Park.

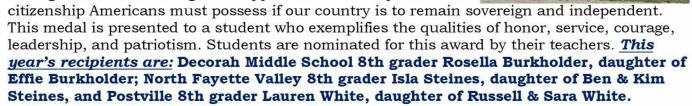
They watched the throwing of the wreath over the town's bridge.

They watched the throwing of the wreath over the town's bridge while taps were being played before heading to the park.

Stacey Gossling helped put flags on several Veterans' graves for Memorial Day. She is pictured here with the Cemetery Association group.

Recently several area students were recognized by the Hannah Lee Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution:

The DAR Youth Leadership Award was established to foster among school children a greater appreciation of the qualities of



<u>The Outstanding Work in American History Award</u> is given to a high school junior or senior who fulfills the qualities of honor, service, courage, leadership, and patriotism. Students are nominated for this award by their teachers. <u>This year's recipients are:</u> Postville senior, Mayra Galicia, daughter of Julian & Josefa Galicia, and North Fayette Valley junior, Chase Imoehl, son of Ron & Sherri Imoehl.



Valerie Pecinovsky attended the Continental Congress, Washington DC this year. Valerie drove to Bloomington, Illinois to board a Marlin Transportation Bus which was taking her, some Illinois, and Kentucky ladies to the Daughters of the American Revolution Convention, June 25 - June 29. DAR's Continental Congress is a time-honored tradition that has been held in Washington, D.C. as the annual national meeting of the DAR membership since the organization's founding in 1890. Valerie is standing in the Constitution Hall by the Iowa Emblem.



Quilt of Valor had a display of quilts at Decorah Bank and Trust. Wendy Novak made the 3 from the left.

Wendy will also receive an award for another quilt during

Nordic Fest on July 26 at Decorah schools.

Peggy Harvey donated books to the little library outside of a business downtown Cedar Rapids, IA. The Literacy Promotion

Committee promotes adult literacy and involvement in literacy programs for children and adults. Daughters are encouraged to engage in community-based literacy activities promoting reading and learning.



Daughters

American Revolution



We at the Henry Knox Chapter in Knoxville are absolutely thrilled to announce that we have been selected to host the amazing American Revolution Experience Traveling Exhibit from the American Battlefield Trust! This incredible exhibit promises to be a hit for our community and the surrounding areas, and we can't wait to share it with all of you.

Just a quick hop—only 45 miles south of Des Moines! Mark your calendars!

The exhibit will be on display from November 18th to 27th, from 10 am to 6 pm in the lobby of the Knoxville Performing Arts Center (KPAC). <u>And yes, you read that right!</u> The 27th is Thanksgiving, and what better way to show our gratitude than by celebrating our love for this great country and patriotism with our friends and family?

As part of our hosting duties, we need volunteers to help man the exhibit. We would like to have two people per shift with each shift lasting 2 hours. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to involve your family and friends—it's not just for our DAR ladies! I'm also brainstorming some fun kids' craft ideas to keep the little ones busy while their parents soak in all the fascinating history.

We'll need extra hands for the setup on Monday, November 17th as well, and believe me, every little bit helps! If you're interested in volunteering for a shift or two (or even helping with setup), please let me know! <u>It's going to take a village to make this</u> event a success, and we would LOVE your support!

Let's come together to make this exhibit a shining success! Reach out to me at ahumestonevents@gmail.com, and let's get this party started!

August was an incredible month for our creative community! We had three enthusiastic members dive into the local Quilt-a-palooza, where they stitched up a storm in just four hours, crafting as many beautiful quilts as possible. These lovely creations are destined for a heartfelt journey overseas, bringing comfort through Lutheran World Relief.

But that's not all! Four of our members also took part in "The Wall That Heals," an inspiring experience featuring a 3/4 scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial from Washington, D.C. It was a profound honor to celebrate our local heroes during the exhibit, which included The Wall and a mobile Education Center. Talk about a meaningful way to recognize the bravery of those who served!

We can't wait to see what adventures September will bring!

Across the State Jean Espy Submitted by Robin Lachmann & Cyndie Reppert

When Rachel Wilson Albright was a child in Philadelphia, she helped her grandmother, Betsy, sew flags, and later duplicated the design of the original "circleof-13 stars" flag as small replicas for sale and for special occasions. Sometime between 1858 and 1864, Betsy's daughter



and Rachel's mother, Clarissa Wilson, came from Philadelphia to live with the Albrights.

In 1905, at almost 93 years old, Rachel sewed her final replica flag and donated it to St. Luke's Episcopal Church at 6th St. and Ave. E, Fort Madison. Signed and dated by Rachel Wilson Albright, the flag remains there on display, preserved under glass.

Betsy Ross' daughter, Clarissa Sidney Claypoole Wilson, and her granddaughters, Rachel Wilson Albright and twins Sophia Wilson Hildebrandt and Elizabeth Wilson Campion are connected to the family Albright in Fort Madison.

Rachel Albright was the wife of Jacob W. Albright. The Albright (Betsy Ross) House is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and still stands at 716-718 Ave. F in Fort Madison.

Along with many other members of the Albright family, Rachel, her mother and her twin sisters Sophia Wilson Hildebrandt and Elizabeth Wilson Campion, are buried in Fort Madison's City Cemetery. Clarissa died July 19, 1864. Elizabeth died Oct. 29, 1900. Sophia died May 8, 1891. Rachel

died April 18, 1905.

In the cemetery is a large granite marker set by the Jean Espy Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution commemorating the fact that Betsy Ross' daughter and the granddaughters are buried there.

Working with the Betsy Ross House in Philadelphia, DAR Headquarters and communicating with several gravestone

conservators, we are going to get this sad repair of Clarissa's stone a more pleasant look and a DAR Daughter of Patriot Plaque. Fundraising projects will be forth coming.

Across the State Jean Marie Cardinell

Submitted by Denise Baker Hamilton



The Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter continues to grow with 10 new members since the beginning of the year giving us 164 members strong! We have a number of prospectives on our PMD and we thank our Registrar and Lineage Team for working on these and converting these into signed and mailed applications!

We continue to recognize members at chapter meetings with certificates who complete DAR Leadership Courses and GEP courses. So far this year we have had <u>8 members complete 10 courses</u> in both of these programs. <u>Marty Hansen</u> completed both the Members Course and the Committee Leaders Course; <u>Judy White</u> completed GEP1- Introduction to Genealogy Research for DAR Applications; and <u>Jeannette Bodermann</u> completed the Members Course. Congratulations ladies!!!



We celebrated the lives of seven Daughters at our annual Memorial Service: Nedra Baker; Barbara Fors; Judy McNamara; Stella Bingaman; Carlita Beltz; Grace Huffman and Cindi Robinette-Anderson. We thank them for their contributions to DAR.

Missing Man tables were set up for Memorial Day at Jethro's BBQ in Waukee and West Des Moines. After having done this last year, Jethro's actually reached out first to see if we could do it again this year! Love that they are so proud to host these tables.

Under the leadership of <u>Connie Schmett, Americanism chapter</u> <u>chair</u>, the chapter continues to attend the monthly Naturalization ceremonies to congratulate the new American citizens and give them a

copy of the America's Creed and Pledge of Allegiance.

State Regent Steinke attended our June chapter meeting with State Commemorative Events Chair Susan Klein. Susan presented to <u>Candy Brown</u>, with a well-deserved award – Outstanding DAR Member: Honoring and Thanking Vietnam Veterans.

The chapter was honored by attaining Bronze Level in the 2024 "Share the Spirit" contest. This award required 31% to 50% of chapter members subscribing to the American Spirit magazine.





The chapter participated for the second year in the Norwalk 4th of July parade. The increase in entries this year was great to see.

Our members up in Wright County, <u>Myrna</u> <u>Baker and</u>



Christine Ersland work with the Wreaths Across
America committee and again had an entry in the
Belmond 4th of July parade with their Wreaths Across America float.



Several chapter members participated in the ISDAR parade entry for the Iowa State Fair on August 6. ISDAR Parade chair Kathy Lynn Sells and her HODAR Carl again did a fantastic job coordinating a great entry!

Across the State Lawrence Van Hook

Submitted by Amy Sunleaf





On June 14, Lawrence Van Hook members held a dedication and wreath laying ceremony for their Patriots Marker in Bellevue, Iowa. The plaque was unveiled by Iowa State Regent, Sarah Steinke, and past Iowa State Regent, Edee Brunia. SAR members served as color guard, and American Legion Post 273 members served as honor guard. Special guests included drummer and fifer Ed and Laurine Williams of North Little Rock, Arkansas. Following the dedication, veterans marched behind the fife and drum to the Bellevue American Legion for a lovely reception. Army Veteran and Legionnaire Laura Eggers partnered with members to display information and artifacts honoring the Army's 250th Anniversary. You can watch the dedication here

http://youtube.com/post/Ugkx7oD76KlJPtJOEvOH7-Coe6qRsqvwF0 m?si=kIEfMlBV4KLitMLI



Members and HODARs participated in the Bellevue Heritage Days parade on July 5. Their sparkling entry was awarded 2nd place for the float category. Pictured are L-R: (front) HODAR Curt Zeimet, Linda Harvan, Pam Wetzstein (back) Lucy Ann Zeimet, Michelle Turner, and Amy Sunleaf. Not pictured, HODAR Art Sunleaf.

The 2025-2027 Lawrence Van Hook Chapter administration was sworn in at our July meeting. L-R are Peggy Thoms, Secretary; Pam Wetzstein, Treasurer;



Rebecca Campbell, Registrar; Lucy Ann Zeimet, Historian; Linda Harvan, Regent; Michelle Johnson, Vice Regent; Shari Jorgensen, Librarian, and Gloria Jorgensen, Chaplain.

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On August 16, Lawrence Van Hook members, one of our PMs, DAR members from two other chapters, and HODARs gathered for a Grant Wood themed field trip. We started our adventure at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art where we viewed the museum's Grant Wood collection. After the art museum, we headed over to the Cedar Rapids History Center to admire Ashley Chapter's 1911 drinking fountain and then toured 5 Turner Alley, a converted carriage house which served as Grant Wood's home and studio from 1924-1935. Following this, we popped into the History Center to see Wood's first stained glass window before driving over to the Veterans Memorial Building to get an outside view of the 20' X 24' stained glass window designed by Wood. After a delightful lunch, we headed over to the Brucemore mansion which was hosting a special party for a Grant Wood mural which he added to the sleeping porch in 1925. We were awed by the house and loved seeing another example of Wood's interior design skills there. We also enjoyed having a cupcake and beverage in the Brucemore carriage house. Those who had time to continue the journey then traveled to see the Jones County Freedom Rock. We ended our excursion at Anamosa's Riverview Cemetery where Grant Wood is buried. We paid our respect to and offered our thanks for his creative genius. It was a very fun day enjoyed by everyone who attended!



Across the State Martha Washington

Submitted by Marta Nelson

America 250 Patriot Bench

June 7 was a lovely day for an outdoor ceremony. Martha Washington Chapter dedicated our America250 Patriot Bench Saturday afternoon in the Never Forget Garden of Siouxland Freedom Park in South Sioux City, NE. (We are a Siouxland chapter, with members living in all three states.)



The bench was constructed by Creative Steel, a division of Port Neal Welding, the fabricators of the Freedom Park's Korean War Memorial located across the parking lot from our Bench and Garden.

We were privileged to have a number of guests from the community and four Iowa DAR officers - State Regent Sarah Steinke, State Vice Regent Tiffany Hauptman, State Recording Secretary Jackie Beard and State Chaplain Andrea Perry. Regent Lori Bermel brought members from Onawa Chapter, and we had a contingent from Pilot Rock Chapter as well. Our Patriot Bench is the first representative of Revolutionary War Patriots to be installed in the Freedom Park.



State Regent Sarah Steinke
cuts the ribbon with the
help of member Mary Klauer,
Associate Leesa McNeil &
two members of the
South Sioux City
Chamber of Commerce



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and Pilot Rock Chapters

Genealogy Workshop to be presented in Sioux City

Do you want to submit a Supplemental? Do you want to help a Prospective become a member? Do you want to help a family member join DAR?

Join us in Sioux City for a DAR Workshop in Sioux City. Details can be found in the flyer displayed with this article. (See next page.)

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BRING YOUR LAPTOP!

Across the State Submitted by Nancy McKay Harsh

Jane Briley



Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter members had several very interesting Iowa History programs during their summer meetings.

Connie Kinkade presented a program on the Honey War, a struggle between the states of Missouri and Iowa over the location of the states' common border.

Jane Briley gave a program on the history of the Underground Railroad with an emphasis on the UGRR activities in the southwestern and

The August meeting took us to the Dragoon Trace Museum in Mt Ayr, Iowa. Jan Morgan gave a very informative presentation on the military trail through Union and Ringgold Counties in our chapter area. This trail was an important trail used to transport Native Americans to Kansas and also the early settlers.

southcentral portions of Iowa prior to the Civil War.



Jan Morgan

Several of our members focused on outreach in the community during the Summer.

Jan Morgan promoted the Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter and the DAR organization by decorating and taking her pickup through Greenfield 4th of July Parade. She continued informing the public about the works of the Daughters of American

Revolution by running a DAR booth in the exhibit



building at the Adair County Fair in Greenfield during the beginning of July. She gave kids temporary tattoos with patriotic designs and also red, white, and blue bubble bottles. Adults were given cold bottles of water during the heat of the day.



Greenfield 4th of July parade

Adair County Fair Booth

A week later Jane Briley set up her table at the Union County Fair in Afton in the air conditioned 4-H building. Jane continued the message that Jan had shared in this new location. Jane Briley promoted education by also donating to the children neoncolored rectangular erasers. Who can go to school without a new eraser?

A popular item was also a tasty Dum Dum sucker. Just for their fair fun they also received bubble bottles. Even though the building was air conditioned, those



Union County Fair

coming into the building enjoyed the cold bottles of water given to them after walking around outside on the hot fair days.

Across the State Nathaniel Fellows

Submitted by Kaye Miller

Volunteer Members of the Nathaniel Fellows Chapter met together July 9th for a sewing session to make "Walker Bags" for Veterans and Senior Care Center Residents. Together they completed 23 walker bags and 2 tied fleece lap blankets.











Across the State Onawa Lori Bermel

The Onawa Chapter was honored to have <u>Iowa Society Children of the American</u> <u>Revolution State President Paige Perry</u> attend our June meeting.

President Perry shared her <u>Knots of Love</u> <u>State Project</u> with our members. The organization was founded in 2007; their mission is to provide lovingly hand-knit and crocheted beanies to people going through chemotherapy. All beanies are made by hand and given free of charge to patients



throughout the United States. President Perry shared that this is a personal project to her as she received one of these beanies when she navigated her cancer journey as a young child. She invited members to share their knitting and crocheting talents by joining in to make beanies, donate yarn or support her project by purchasing one of her pins. President Perry also provided the chapter with information about the History of Yarn During Colonial America. President Perry is the daughter of our member and Iowa State Chaplain Andrea Perry and granddaughter of member Peggy Pippitt. We wished President Perry good luck fulfilling her term and

State Project!







Pilot Rock DAR has been busy this summer participating in area parades. Shown here are members that were involved in the Marcus Fair Parade on August 9th. A good time was had by all even though it was quite warm out.



Traveling Exhibition at the Sanford Museum & Planetarium

August 30 - September 10, 2025 | Cherokee, IA
Pilot Rock DAR is hosting a reception to be held at the Sanford Museum
in Cherokee IA on September 2nd from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.
The public is invited to attend.



Across the State Revolutionary Dames







Left to right: Katia Allbee in July; Alli Seegers in August

Two members were inducted into the chapter in June and July each was welcomed to the chapter with a 1-year subscription to the *American Spirit* and the *Daughters Newsletter* from the chapter, plus a bound copy of their application and documentation, a chapter nametag, and a DAR ornament with their national number and Patriot's information on the back in a gift bag — all made by Regent Rita Ruth.

In June, we presented \$300 scholarships to four local seniors.







Left to right: Elleri Eike is our youngest member. Grace, Elizabeth, and Ameilia Abben are related to another of our members.

We also welcomed home 87 veterans returning on the June Honor

Flight with *Proud Patriot* posters. The thank-you-for-your-service cards we signed in May were delivered in their

"mail call" packets during their return flight from DC.

We wrapped up our chapter year activities by participating in two local parades in July.





At our August meeting we began planning for our next chapter year, September 2025-August 2026.



Submission Deadlines & Guidelines

Winter - November 24th - the Monday before Thanksgiving
Spring - February 21st - Saturday after President's day
Summer - May 30th - Saturday after Memorial Day
Fall - August 15th- before most Back to School dates

Submissions should be "ready to read," only light edits will be made

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Please identify the subjects in the attached photos

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