

Iowa Society

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From the State Regent Sarah Steinke

Greetings Iowa Daughters!!

I hope that this change in season is finding you well. It is always such a joy to spend the holiday season with family and friends.

Since our last newsletter, I have kept busy. I attended the SW District Meeting in Avoca in September and the NE District Meeting in Cedar Falls in November. It was wonderful to get out to other parts of the state and visit with members who haven't attended state meetings.

I attended the National Board of Management Sparkle Week in October, we heard from many National Chairmen and Executive Officers with information about their offices and committees. I really enjoyed a little time playing tourist while we were there as well.

"Be a Shining Star"



We toured the Anderson House, headquarters of the Society of the Cincinnati, and attended a wreath laying at the Joan of Arc monument. We participated in a service project for deployed servicemen & servicewomen. I also attended meals with some great guest speakers: a woman who portrayed Caroline Scott Harrison and Anita McBride, co-author of "Remember the First Ladies" and former chief of staff for First Lady Laura Bush.

I have been able to visit Nancy McKay Harsh and Nathaniel Fellows chapters so far this year. I have a few other chapters on my calendar coming up this winter. Please reach out to me to schedule your chapter visit.

I was honored to join State Chaplain Andrea Perry at the Veterans Day Wreath Laying at the Iowa Veterans Cemetery earlier this month. We had a great turnout of DAR members, SAR members, C.A.R. members, and spouses. It was a beautiful day to honor America's first Veterans. After the ceremony we had an eagle fly overhead to add more symbolism to the experience.



Last week I joined with members of the Isle a la Cache Chapter DAR and the Pierce Downer C.A.R. society to pack stockings



for care packages to be sent by Operation Support Our Troops to active-duty military members and veterans in nursing homes. We stuffed 75 stockings and sorted supplies for future shipments.

I am looking for names of members who are interested in serving on a committee at Continental Congress in June. If you are attending and looking for a way to

become more involved while you are there, please let me know.

All chapter regents should have received the State Conference Credentials form. Be sure you elect your chapter delegates and alternates at or before your February Meeting.

As we are coming to the end of our calendar year, please make sure your chapter has met their obligations for different committees. I would love to receive many 100% Participation Certificates for the State of Iowa! Service To America Hours must be completed by December 31, CMR submissions must be completed by January 31. President General's Project Donations must be made in time for state conference to receive your certificate in person.

An Insignia Pop-Up Shop will be coming to State Conference. This is a great opportunity to see the beautiful pins in person and save on shipping. Start working on your wish list! If any pins need prior approval, getting that in advance will save time!

Please consider supporting DAR by becoming a Sustaining Supporter. This recurring donation allows you to support your favorite committees or projects with as little as \$5/month. At this time, Iowa is at the bottom of the list of Sustaining Supporters by state. (and yes! there's a pin for that!)

Don't forget about our second book club meeting online in January. I hope you are all enjoying the book "The British are Coming". It is a large book but I know it will provide entertainment during these long cold winter days.

I hope that each and every one of you has a safe and happy holiday season. I can't wait until we are all together again soon!

Sarah Steinke State Regent - Iowa National Vice Chairman - Children of the American Revolution



2025 ISDAR State Conference

Please join us for the 126th Annual ISDAR State Conference April 3-5, 2025 at the Holiday Inn – Des Moines Airport! **President General Pamela Wright will be our special guest!** There are other special activities in the works, including the DAR Insignia Pop-Up Shop! Your chapter should be electing your State Conference delegates soon. Delegates shall be elected no later than the February meeting. The Credentials Form is included in this newsletter, and is available on the ISDAR Members Website.

District Meetings

Daughters from the Southwest and Northeast Districts gathered on September 14 and November 9, respectively to take part in the new District Meetings! Updates were provided by the state officers and committee chairmen in attendance. The smaller, informal format encouraged members to ask questions and discuss matters. There was time for members to interact with each other and meet new friends!

Many thanks to Dianna Baker Hoye, Southwest District Director, and Diane Murphy, Northeast District Director, for your tireless efforts to make each of these meetings a success! District Meetings in the Northwest and Southeast Districts will be held in Fall 2025.

State Regent's Project

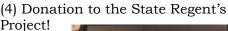
The State Regent's Project supports education in three main ways:

- (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:







President General's Project

The President General's Project Sales Table at State Conference will be pre-order only. If you are interested in any President General's merchandise, please complete the included order form and send a check make out to Iowa Society DAR. You can pick up these pre-paid orders at State Conference.

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STATE CONFERENCE CREDENTIALS

DEADLINE: March 1, 2025

The 2025 ISDAR 126th State Conference is scheduled for April 3-5, 2025.

The Spring 2025 ISDAR newsletter will include highlights, preliminary agenda and the call to the 126th State Conference. You may access the newsletter on the Iowa members only website at http://isdar.org/members.

ARTICLE VIII-IOWA STATE CONFERENCE

Section 5. The call for the State Conference shall be issued forty-five (45) days before the convening of said conference. This notice, created by the State Vice Regent, shall be part of the official mailing list utilized by the Iowa Society newsletter. (See Article VII, Section 2(h)).

Section 9. Regents and delegates shall be entitled to an alternate and the Chapter Regent is authorized to fill vacancies in the Chapter delegation from the elected alternates. Delegates and alternates to the State

Conference shall be elected each year no later than two months before the month in which State Conference is held. (Since State Conference is held in April then a chapter shall elect delegates no later than the February meeting.) A list of the delegates and alternates, with the date of their election by the Chapter, shall be sent to the State Conference Chairman by the deadline as specified on the State Credentials Form.

If you do not meet in the winter months, please elect delegates and alternates at the last meeting held prior to the break in your calendar.

As stated above, a list of your chapter delegates and alternates, with the date of their election by the Chapter, shall be sent to Tiffany Hauptman, State Conference Chairman by **March 1, 2025.**

If you have questions, please contact State Regent Sarah Steinke or State Vice Regent Tiffany Hauptman.

Be a Shining Star!

IOWA SOCIETY DAR 126th STATE CONFERENCE CREDENTIALS

Deadline: March 1, 2025

2025 State Conference Date: April 3-5, 2025

Mail to: Tiffany Hauptman, State Vice Regent

11288 Danville Rd. Danville, IA 52623-9002

Please Type or Print Chapter Name	Location	
Regent		
Vice Regent_	Address	
Chapter Membership January 1, 2025		
Article Section 7. Conference Representation. Each Chapter	 25. These delegates or, in the case of absence before the conference. 16, 2024 Amended Bylaws VIII – Iowa State Conference is entitled to representation at the State Conf 	e or disability, an alternate, ference by its Regent, or in her
absence, by the Vice Regent or alternate. The number of number of members on the Chapter Roll in good stands	ing in the National Society on January 1 of ea	ach year.
Chapter Members	-	<u>Votes</u>
12-49 (Inclusive)	Regent and 2 Delegates	3
50-99 (Inclusive) 100-199 (Inclusive) 200-299 (Inclusive)	Regent and 4 Delegates	5
100-199 (Inclusive)	Regent and 6 Delegates	7
200-299 (Inclusive)	Regent and 8 Delegates	9
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Section 13. Eligibility. A member must have belonged eligible to represent her chapter at the State Conference		Continental Congress to be
Delegate Names	Alternate Nam	nes
Regent_	Vice Regent	
Yes, Chapter Regent will attend 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.	ORIn her absence, Vice Ro	egent/Alternate will attend.

Regent Treasurer Signature Required Signature Required

Wright Administration President General's Project Merchandise

America Pin - \$50	Sparkling Fireworks Pin - \$20	Star Crystal Lapel Pin - \$7.50
Qty:	Qty:	Qty:
Junior Membership Fireworks Pin - \$15	Wright Hearts Schools Pin - \$30	DAR Blue Compact Mirror - \$10
Qty:	Qty:	Qty:
Wright Tote Bag - \$10	Stars & Stripes Silk Scarf - \$40	USA/DAR Flag Pin - \$60
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Sparkle Christmas Wreath Pin - \$25	Scarf Ring - \$30	Celebrate Purse/Accessory Scarf - \$15
		Celebrate Purse
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Pearl Earrings - \$40	Silver Ornament Single -\$25 Bundle - \$65	Wright Fireworks Notecards - \$5
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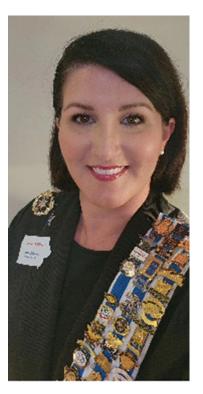
From the State Chaplain Andrea Perry

As we enter the busy holiday season, this scripture provides me with a reminder of where my true hope, joy, and peace comes from. May it bless you as it has me!

I pray that God, the source of hope,
will fill you completely with
joy and peace because you trust in him.
Then you will overflow with confident hope
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Romans 15:13 NLT

ISDAR Birthday Greetings

- For members celebrating a birthday 90+ years old.
- Chapters notify the State Chaplain of members upcoming birthday. Please send ISDAR Birthday Greeting requests (Name and Birthdate) to the State Chaplain at andrea.perry.dar@gmail.com.



NSDAR Birthday Greeting

- For members celebrating milestone birthdays of 90 yrs old, 100 yrs old or 100+ yrs old.
- Chapters notify the Chaplain General of members celebrating milestone birthdays using form CHG-1003 found on the www.dar.org/members site. Birthday greetings must be requested prior to the tenth (10th) of the month prior to the birthday. Email the form CHG-1003 to the Chaplain General at va@ct3ops.com.

Necrology Reporting

- **All chapters** are responsible for reporting deaths through eMembership. Chapter regents, chapter registrars, or chapter treasures have e-Membership permissions to report deaths.
- **ISDAR Reporting**: Required for all deceased members. The State Chaplain maintains a Memorial Book of all members for the State. Please complete form ISDAR Death Report Form found on the ISDAR Officers and Forms>State Chaplain Documents. Please forward the completed form and copies of the obituary, funeral program card and a photo of the member to the State Chaplain.
- **NSDAR Reporting**: Required for current or past members of the National Board of Management. Chapters complete form CHG-1003 Necrology Report and forward to the Chaplain General. Please follow the instructions on CHG-1000 for guidance on completing this NSDAR report.

In Memory of our Deceased Daughters

Edna Kathleen Miller Falck, Cedar Falls Chapter
Jeanne Marie Raven Rank, Hannah Caldwell Chapter
Julie Elaine Schendel, Hannah Caldwell Chapter
Shirley May Pannoff Skarlis, Helen Hinman Dwelle Chapter
Alice Heiny Johnston, Helen Hinman Dwelle Chapter
Alice Maxine Bachman DeJoode, Henry Knox Chapter
Barbara Hamlin Fors, Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter
Judith Darlene Armstong McNarmara, Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter
Marilyn Delores Weaver Classen, Ladies of the Lake Chapter
Anna Marie Wampler Hines, Lucy Standish-Newcastle Chapter
Rhea June Saltzman Neighbors, Mason City Chapter
Mary Adorine Hitchins Kern, Revolutionary Dames Chapter
Anna Harriet Mardell B. Everding, Revolutionary Dames Chapter
Rita Mae Bird Phenicie, Stars and Stripes Chapter

Submitted by Andrea Perry, State Chaplain

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

From the State Recording Secretary Jackie Beard

Greetings Iowa Daughters from your State Recording Secretary!

I am happy to report that the first set of official minutes from the Steinke administration, 2024 Fall Forum, have been filed and shared. This activity was accomplished with the help of several of your state officers who graciously acted as proofreaders.



This officer had the privilege of attending both the Southwest and Northeast District meetings. Both were very informative and enjoyable! Please plan on attending one or both of the meetings that will be held in 2025!

While finishing up your Shining Star Activities of 2024, and the various reports, remember that those chapter reports and state committee reports are due March 15th. Two hundred words to sum up a year's worth of sparkling accomplishments! One copy should be emailed to the State Regent, one to the State Recording Secretary, and one copy for your chapter records. Your reports will be what is shared at the 2025 State Conference. These reports will eventually be included in the Proceedings Book of the Steinke Administration.

Wishing you all a joyful holiday season! Jackie Beard

From the State Corresponding Secretary Debbie Crawford

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with family and friends.

As you are preparing for your Chapter Master reports please submit any changes in chapter officers to me at dcraw0954@gmail.com. I will then be able to update the ISDAR State Directory on the website. The changes keep trickling in and updates are made as I receive them.

Also, as you make plans to attend the ISDAR 126th State Conference, make sure that you plan to stop by the State Corresponding Secretary's sales table to pick up any needed chapter supplies. Please let me know if there are some items that you would like to see offered.



From the State Organizing Secretary Ann Mack





It's that time; DUES ARE DUE! Getting all the members to respond, on time, is a task that requires diligence and perhaps a personal touch. Don't be shy about asking members to contact the stragglers with a reminder note or phone call to say they are a valued member of the chapter. Do you know if they are interested in a particular committee, contest or project? Reel them in with things that appeal to their interests.

Did your chapter have members who dropped last year for not paying dues? Now is the time to reach out and invite them back. Ask and listen to why dues were not paid. Maybe an oversight, an issue with another member, lack of inclusion or appreciation, time constraints and personal issues are just a few reasons their membership

might have been dropped. Let them know the chapter is sensitive and responsive to whatever instigated their decision and will work with them toward resolution.

Does your chapter have a Daughters Helping Daughters fund? Paying chapter dues may be financial burden for some of our elderly members or anyone who has suffered a financial change, health issues, or weather-related woes. Can the chapter help? The State Society can help with state dues. There is a DHD form under the State Vice Regent's tab on the members side of the ISDAR website containing eligibility and guidelines.

Has your chapter had a person who decided to go Member at Large? How long has it been since someone contacted that individual? Get your elevator speech ready and reach out to them. Things have probably changed in the chapter since they were active and they have probably changed as well. Reaching out is a positive response that someone has noticed and is interested in their DAR well-being.

Dues time... like herding sheep? (I was a sheep herder in my 4-H days!) Some go through the gate easily, some need just a little directional push, others like to say in the pasture keep eating grass, but every one is part of the herd and don't we all need a little shepherding now and then?

From the State Treasurer Shelley Wells

Chapter contributions were due to this state officer by November 20. There are a few chapters that have missed this deadline. If your chapter plans to contribute please remit immediately. The state will be forwarding monies for the DAR Magazine to National by the end of December. This is a new process moving forward.

As chapters continue to collect membership dues please remember that the state dues have increased to \$7.50 per member.

Thirteen chapters have yet to pay National Dues. If you are mailing the dues, they need to have the barcode from the dues invoicer in e-membership and need to be postmarked by December 1. Since December 1 is a Sunday, it must be postmarked by November 30. National prefers you use direct pay under e-membership. If you



are a new chapter treasurer and need assistance with the process, please let me know as soon as possible.

This is the final year to contribute to the President General Project to help restore Memorial Continental Hall. Mrs. Wright will be visiting Iowa during our Spring Conference, April 3-5, 2025. It is Iowa's time to Sparkle with 100% chapter participation with the PG project. At the time of this entry 33 of the 43 chapters have achieved 100%. Thank you for helping Iowa shine bright!

As your chapter prepares for the new year, please consider discussing incorporation as a way to mitigate liability. If you need articles of incorporation samples, please feel free to reach out to this state officer. Congratulations to the 3 new chapters that were incorporated this fall.

Remember to submit your chapter fiscal summary and whether this state officer needs to file the 990 N to the IRS.

https://isdar.org/members/ISDAR_Forms/State_Treasurer/2024/ISDAR_Revised_Chapter _Fiscal_Re port_2017.pdf

Have a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Shelley Wells State Treasurer ISDAR Organizing Regent Anna Maria Lane NSDAR



The revised DAR Membership Application form is expected to be available on DAR.org and the DAR member website on January 3, 2025. DAR understands there will be a slight overlap between the use of the current form and the new one, but members should prepare to use the revised application form as soon as able.

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- 1. The **DAR Insignia** has been added!
- 2. The Eligibility Clause is now titled **ELIGIBILITY AND ADMISSION** and is followed by the current wording of Article 3, Section 1 of the DAR Bylaws.
- 3. A **check box** has been added asking prospective members to acknowledge that established, alternate Patriots may be used to confirm membership if the original Patriot lineage cannot be proven. Applicants and chapter registrars will be contacted, and the appropriate change forms must be signed, as is done now.
- 4. **Signatures must now be in blue ink!** This is to ensure Page 1 is an original page, not a copy. DAR already allows blue ink for notarizations, and the requested blue ink for signatures will enable staff to verify that Page 1 is an original document.
- 5. **REVIEWED BY** has been added to reflect the names and national numbers of two DAR members who can review individual submissions for correct preparation. A simple reviewer checklist will be sent to all registrars soon.
 - a. This does not replace the signatures of regents and registrars for applications.
 - b. One of the reviewers should be the chapter registrar or chapter lineage research chair, if available.
 - c. Reviewers can be chapter members or members of the Lineage Research, Volunteer Genealogists, Application Task Force, SAT/STAT/SMART committees, or other trusted DAR members.
 - d. Reviewers are asked to serve as proofreaders to ensure that the applications and supplementals have been prepared correctly per Genealogy Guidelines. They are not expected to review generational lineages for accuracy.
- 6. The **ENDORSED BY** section has been reduced to reflect two members' names and national numbers. This section is optional but remains on the form because some DAR chapters still require endorsements per their bylaws.

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- 7. The top line has changed to request an **applicant's first, middle and maiden name.** This matches the format for other generations. An applicant's married name should only appear on Page 1.
- 8. A **wider first column** will aid in the easy insertion of names and places. This change was requested by many DAR members.

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9. The **REFERENCES FOR LINEAGE** section is slightly more detailed to provide clarification for the correct format of source citations.

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10. Two lines have been added to record **residence source citations** for new Patriot ancestors. It is not necessary to include this information for established Patriots.

Welcome to our new members by application.

Sept. 5, 2024 - Nov. 5, 2024

Abigail Adams Chapter: Lesli Dorr Algona Chapter: Jessica Emswiler

Ashley Chapter: Johanna Harper, Susanne Haehlen

Camp Dodge Chapter: Cynthia Malszycki, Becky Volk, Teresa McGuire, Judy

Timmerman, Susan Timmerman

Hannah Lee Chapter: Paige Darnell, Kimberly Koozer, Virginia Moore, Kandi

Sheffield

Helen Hinman Dwelle Chapter: Erica Klipping, Allison Long

Henry Knox Chapter: Suzette McClune, Beverly Scott, Susann Keller-McCain

Ladies of the Lake Chapter: Savannah Dare

Lucy Standish/Newcastle Chapter: Sophie Dinsdale

Marion Linn Chapter: Danielle Isaac, Katelyn Isaac, Stephanie Isaac

Mayflower Chapter: Erin Meyrick

Nathaniel Fellows Chapter: Mary Terrill

Pilot Rock Chapter: Renee Braun

Revolutionary Dames Chapter: Allison Seegers, Amy Seegers, Lauren Seegers,

Barbara Menning

Welcome to Iowa these ladies joined us from near and far.

Martha Washington Chapter: Julie Lord from Nebraska,

Pilot Rock Chapter: Roxanne Grona from Arizona **Grinnell Chapter:** Barbara Hug from Arizona

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From the State Historian Barb Mac Dougall

Fall greetings, Iowa Daughters! I trust this newsletter finds you looking forward to the upcoming holidays with peace and gratitude for all the blessings of this nation!

Here are some points to consider related to the Historian's office.

DAR Historical/Commemorative Markers: "Please stress to chapters the importance of submitting requests to the Historian General's office long before the anticipated dedication date. Also, do not schedule a dedication event until an approval is received. Note: Advance permission must be obtained to place a marker or to move or to rededicate one, whether or not the marker includes the DAR insignia."



America 250 Patriots Marker: The standardized wording has been updated to include a dedication year for markers slated to be placed in 2025 and beyond. Applications submitted after Oct. 1, 2024 must reflect this new wording.

DAR Member Markers: Only if a marker is being placed for a member who belonged to a chapter that is now disbanded is the request for permission sent to the Historian General. Otherwise, the permission is granted by the regent of the chapter to which the member belongs/belonged. Remember to complete HG-1008 after the marker is placed and send the top portion to the Historian General's office and the bottom portion to this state officer.

NSDAR Excellence in American History Book Award (Adult/Children's):

With our State Librarian taking the initiative to begin an ISDAR Book Club, hopefully some chapters are also starting their own chapter book clubs! As you explore books to enjoy together, think about choosing something from the Early Colonial Period (1607) through the Federalist Period (1801) so your chapter can nominate the author for this prestigious award. Eligibility requirements and instructions are HG-8000/01.

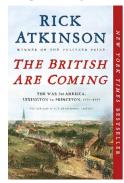
CMR Historian General: As you wrap up your DAR year, one of the questions on the CMR asks if you digitized chapter documents. If you have not done this, find a member who is willing to work on preserving your chapter records in this way. Get started and you can check "yes"! The CMR also asks if you had a program on a Dazzling Daughter. There is still time to fit this in and it is a slide show your members would enjoy!

https://www.dar.org/archives/dazzling-daughters

From the State Librarian Gail Bonath

The book chosen for the next meeting of the ISDAR Book Club is Rick Atkinson's The British Are

Coming. We will be meeting virtually on Saturday, January 11, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. Keep an eye out for a sign-up next month. I will post it and Zoom information on our Facebook page and send an email to chapter regents. Keep reading!



One of the duties of the State Librarian is to facilitate the giving of books by the chapters to the National Library.

One way to give books to the DAR Library is by purchase. Each month I receive a report from National telling me how many books have been donated through Iowa chapters. Thus far this year two chapters have donated books to the National Library.

Cedar Falls Chapter which donated "The Berryhill Family in America" and Henry Knox Chapter which donated "Portrait and Biographical Record of Northern Michigan."

Many thanks to Cedar Falls and Henry Knox Chapters!

Here is how your chapter can purchase a book for the National Library.

Find the DAR Library Wishlist on the DAR dot org website. Choose Giving (right side of page) and click on Wish List.

Choose the DAR Library category - Any State - Sort by Default

Select and purchase a book and indicate that you are purchasing it on behalf of the chapter. The book will be shipped to the DAR Library and your chapter will receive an acknowledgment.

Books are added to the Wishlist each week on Monday. Sometimes by the end of the week there are no books left on the list! If you find this to be the case check earlier in the week.

For donations received between November 15 - December 20, 2024, a special holiday gift donation acknowledgement letter will be sent from the DAR Library.

The DAR Library informs me that throughout the year, all donated books are commemorated with:

A bookplate designed by your state with the donor's name, chapter, and donation details The donor's name, chapter name, and any memorial or honorary information in the DAR Library catalog's entry for the book

Inclusion in the DAR Library donation reports to the Librarian General and President General

Inclusion in the Annual Report of the NSDAR

Chapters may want to consider buying one book each year for the DAR Library from the DAR Library Wishlist. Perhaps your chapter could make a standing rule that each year you will buy a book, not exceeding a certain dollar amount, for the DAR library from their Wishlist. This standing rule will serve as a reminder to do this each year and keep one from forgetting this task as officers change. Donations to the DAR Library enhance its collection for years to come.

Southwest District Meeting Dianna Bayer Hoye, Director

The **Southwest District Meeting of September 14, 2024**, was one of fun, friendship and DAR education on a beautiful autumn day. Many thanks to all DAR members who participated, including state committee chairmen who reported and brought displays and good cheer to this very productive meeting.

The **Sweet Vale of Avoca Museum was the perfect venue** to meet for which we have **Myrna McGrath (Council Bluffs DAR) to thank.**State Vice Regent Tiffany Hauptman must be credited for her good counsel and the fun Salt and Pepper mixer! State Officers and State



SouthWest District Director Dianna Baker Hoye

Chairmen presented clever and informative reports to boost our enthusiasm for the DAR work ahead. Julie Miller, President of the Avoca Historical Society, not only greeted us but provided personal tours of this special museum at the close of our meeting day. Thank you one and all!



It was my pleasure to lead the Southwest District Meeting and bring wonderful DAR ladies together. Gracious appreciation to our state officers who traveled far and wide to be with us, most especially State

Regent Sarah Steinke. Other state officers attending were: Tiffany Hauptman (Vice Regent), Andrea Perry (Chaplain), Jackie Beard (Recording Secretary), Shelley Wells (Treasurer), Donna Knight (Registrar), and Gail Bonath (Librarian).



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State Regent Sarah Steinke,
Dianna Baker Hoye,
State Vice Regent Tiffany Hauptman



HERE'S WHY YOU CARPOOL TO DISTRICT MEETINGS!

Jackie Beard, Henry Knox Chapter member and State Recording Secretary and Pam Marvin, Vice Regent of Nancy McKay Harsh, carpooled together to the Avoca District Meeting. On the way home and near Creston, Pam mentioned she had ancestors buried in Graceland Cemetery near Creston. Why, Jackie did too! They decided to check out the graves. Much to their surprise, the graves were close together. Pam's (Dunlap/Tuttle); Jackie's Recknor. Who would've thought? That's why you carpool to District Meetings!





The NE District of ISDAR met in Cedar Falls on Saturday, November 9th.

There were 38 members in attendance including state officers. There were members from 8 of the 14 District chapters represented and all agreed it was good to be together and meet some new daughters and reconnect with familiar faces.

We heard reports from each of our state officers and the information shared was timely and important. Following refreshments and a fun mixer called Salt and Pepper we heard from State Committee Chairs. We were reminded of upcoming deadlines for contests, CAR, Service to America, America 250, DAR DNA Network, Community Classroom, State Regent Steinke's projects, and so much more.

A special thank you to Chapter Regent Lisa Lang and the Cedar Falls Chapter for securing the location and serving refreshments. If you would like to see the full report please reach out to Diane Murphy, NE District director at demurphy76@gmail.com. A complete report and minutes will also be submitted for the proceedings book for the Steinke Administration.

Thank you to Carolyn DeLay for taking the group photo below. To see additional photos check out Carolyn's Camera Corner on Facebook.



Action Task Force Lisa Rex, Chair

The Application Task Force (ATF) is a team of DAR volunteers who offer the Lineage Research Committee (LRC) additional support for the successful completion of difficult member applications by responding to AIRs at the request of the LRC. This is a team of women willing to share their time and talents helping the organization gain new members.

When the normal channels for solving AIRs on new member applications have not been successful, the Lineage Research Committee will refer the problem application to the Application Task Force. The ATF will analyze the problems associated with the application and assign it to the researcher who is best qualified to find a solution. If the ATF volunteer cannot find a solution in a reasonable amount of time, generally 20 hours, the application will be returned to the chapter with suggestions for further actions that could be taken. Unfortunately, we are not in a position to provide unlimited research.



Have an AIR that just can't break through the wall? Need a fresh set of eyes? Take a chance on this team of volunteers, we are here to help you!!!

If you would like to be a volunteer, please contact Lisa Rex, ATF Chair at lisarex.dar@gmail.com



Now is the time to be working on and finishing up your projects for the 2025 American Heritage contest.

The theme for this year is: "Memorial Continental Hall: Our Monument to the Patriots of the American Revolution." The Historic Dress period is 1905-- specifically "What would you wear to the first Continental Congress".

The American Heritage Committee page on the NSDAR website has directions on how to properly submit your entry. There are specifics for each category, so please read them carefully. I am happy to walk you through them if you need assistance.



The deadlines for submitting your entries are coming up soon! Please email them to the appropriate National Vice Chair between January 2nd-February 15th, 2025.

Fiber Arts entries have special instructions--Remember that due to the typically high volume of Fiber Arts entries, they need to be emailed to the State Chair first. The deadline to send the Fiber Arts entries to me is January 1st, 2025. They will be judged at a state level first and then the winner of each competition category will be sent to the National Vice Chair.

So, get busy and put the finishing touches on your entry! We have so many talented daughters in Iowa, and I hope you will take this chance to show off a little!



November is National American Indian Heritage Month!

Plan each chapter meeting with an American Indian Minute, which you may download from this committee's webpage on the Dar Member's Website. You may also tailor an American Indian Minute to guest speakers, read your report while wearing an Indian headdress or Indian jewelry. Have an Indian dance, research foods of that culture and have a food tasting event. Be creative and have fun!



This committee offers a beautiful, sparkling pin for sale through the DAR Store. Its colors and design reflect items most meaningful to native Americans. Purchasing this pin will demonstrate your enthusiasm and dedication to supporting this committee. Daughters may wear this right-side-only pin appropriately everywhere.

Now is a great time to submit a committee grant application to support native Americans organizations. Each grant is limited to \$10,000, and last year, this committee personally presented four grants. You may download the grant application form from the committee's webpage on the DAR Members' Website. The deadline for grant application submissions is January 15, 2025.

The DAR Scholarship Committee Online Application Submission Portal opens on November 1, 2024. Encourage Native American students to apply for an American Indians Committee Scholarship. It's never too early to inspire students to apply! Remember that all applications must be completed online through the Academic Works portal.

Finally, Throughout November, visit the Daughters Online Community (DOC) daily to discover interesting facts committee members have spent the past year uncovering. Feel free to contribute to the list! Whatever you do to make this month special I would like to hear about it! Shoot me an email to let me know what your chapter has been up to so I can get your chapter in my report. I would like to make sure everyone gets the credit they deserve!





Preparing for America's 250th Birthday Celebrations





The United States stands on the eve of a grand anniversary – and DAR is preparing to **Celebrate Stars & Stripes Forever** in a big way! The National Society established the America 250! Special Committee to plan DAR's involvement and maximize its visibility during our nation's upcoming 250th birthday.

The America 250! Committee offers an opportunity for every member in every chapter to participate in honoring our Patriots and increasing membership as we "Rejoice in Our DAR - Ties of Service and Friendship".

I encourage everyone to please get on the dar.org member website and the America250 Committee page and check out the The American Revolution Experience Traveling Exhibit. The spots were taken almost as soon as they were offered, but we do have several chapters on the waiting list, so stay tuned!

If your chapter does not have an America 250 chair, it is not too late to appoint one. The celebration goes through 2033 – the 250th anniversary of the official end of the war. This gives the chapter a person dedicated to staying informed on various events and activities surrounding the 250th anniversaries of events leading up to and following the 250th anniversary of America's birthday. The celebration goes through 2033 – the 250th anniversary of the official end of the war.

Finally, if you are not a member of Daughters Online Community, I highly recommend you do so. It can be accessed through the Community tab on the DAR members only website. The Daughters Online Community (DOC) is a DAR-only website where Daughters may interact with one another and share resources and ideas—similar to the way we have interacted in national committee Facebook groups in the past. The Daughters Online Community makes it possible to be an engaged DAR member without having a Facebook profile. The America 250 community has some wonderful ideas about what chapters are doing to celebrate America's birthday.

Please let me know, if I can be of any assistance.

Denise Baker Hamilton, ISDAR America 250! Chair



Join the Americanism Committee to celebrate, educate, and promote citizenship to all Americans, whether naturalized or citizens by birth!

The goal of the Americanism committee is to promote knowledge, loyalty, and love of country in the hearts and minds of American citizens, whether naturalized or citizens by birth. The committee oversees the approval process for two medals. The **DAR Medal of Honor** can be awarded to US citizens by birth who have shown extraordinary qualities of leadership, trustworthiness, service, and patriotism. The **DAR Americanism Medal** can be awarded to naturalized United States citizens who have shown outstanding qualities of leadership, trustworthiness, service, and patriotism and who have actively assisted other foreign-born residents to become American citizens or displayed outstanding ability in community affairs. Eligibility requirements, recommendation forms, and instructions are available on the below page

www.dar.org/members/committees/service-committees/americanism/forms-certificates.

The committee also encourages DAR members to participate in the naturalization process, support new citizens in naturalization ceremonies, become involved in patriotic events and activities, and to share, practice, and celebrate citizenship within DAR and the surrounding communities. Information about naturalization ceremonies and schedules in Iowa can be found at the two US District Courts:

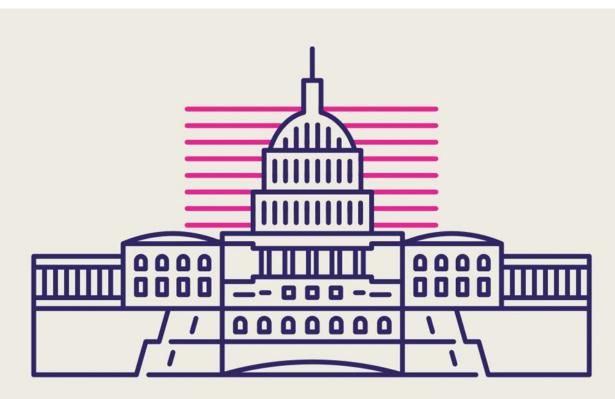
Northern District www.iand.uscourts.gov/naturalization and Southern District www.iasd.uscourts.gov/naturalization-ceremony

In addition to the activities already mentioned, chapters welcome veterans home from Honor Flights, sing patriotic songs at chapter meetings and community events, take part in parades, handout patriotic inspired gifts to teachers, and much more.

Your chapter may already be participating in activities that relate to the Americanism committee. If so, please let me know! Send a short write-up and photos to me during the year to linda.harvan@gmail.com, and especially when you fill out the Chapter Master Report.

Thank you.





CALLING ALL ROADTRIPPERS!

AN ISDAR BUS TOUR IS BEING PLANNED FOR CONTINENTAL CONGRESS 2026

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? IDEAS?
CONTACT CHAIRMAN SHANNON WOODS
319.572.4038 SHANWOODS055@GMAIL.COM



2024 Outstanding Chapter Commemorative Events Report



If your chapter has made a special effort to celebrate a Commemorative Event in 2024, you may want to submit a report summarizing your efforts. In past years a state could only submit ONE Outstanding Chapter Commemorative Report. **NOW**, we may nominate one chapter for EACH commemorative event from the list of NSDAR commemorative events.

The Report can be no longer than ten pages and must include the specific Commemorative Report Form available on the ISDAR website under Commemorative Events committee. Additionally, the national committee has created a Judging Rubric to help chapters include all of the parts requested by the judges.

As you start to gather your Chapter Master (CMR) report information, consider selecting one of your commemorative events to nominate for the 2024 Outstanding Commemorative Event. Reports can only be sent to Susan Klein, chair, electronically by February 5th. My address is: susanklein50@gmail.com

If you are new at submitting a report, there are two examples of Iowa winners from 2023 on our website. And I am always happy to help with the report.



DAR American Revolution Legacy Grant Program

The Daughters of the American Revolution is offering PreK-16 teachers and administrators American Revolution Legacy Grants that support educational initiatives or student programs (for young and old), enhance student academic performance, and reward creative approaches to support higher levels of student learning.

Application Opens: MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2024

Due Date: FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2025, AT 11:59 PM PST

Check out the National Community Classroom Committee Page for more information on this grant for up to \$5,000 to support our community classrooms.

Barbara Anderson & Janet Ritchie Iowa Community Classroom Co-chairs





In September and October of 2024, I had the joy of participating in the **Iowa State Extension and Outreach Master Conservationist Program.**

This is a collaborative program offered by ISU Extension and Outreach, County Conservation Boards, and local conservation leaders and professionals. The blended online and in-person program consisted of 2 classroom and 4 field meetings -3 to 5 hours long- with required videos and reading prior to each meeting. (Yes, it was intense.) The curriculum is developed to equip Iowans interested in natural resource conservation with the knowledge and skills necessary to make informed decisions about natural resources and to become local leaders and educators. Master Conservationists are individuals that share an interest in the sustainability of Iowa's natural resources and in becoming better stewards of those resources.

The **program was presented in four modules** that combined technical information presented and curated by Iowa State University researchers and educators with inperson sessions led by local conservation leaders, practitioners, and experts. At our first meeting, I was dismayed to find that I was one of only a couple people who did not have years of experience with either farming, conservation, prairie management, woodland management, orchards, or other related fields. However, the passion for learning more and exchanging information with the instructors and class participants was so infectious that I soon lost my fear.

Module 1 'sets the stage' for the course, exploring the history and current structure of conservation in Iowa and exploring the landforms and waterways that make up the state's land area. We heard from experts in soil and geology with lectures, special readings and field trips.

In **Module 2** we dug into the structure, function, and challenges facing Iowa's natural prairie, forest, and aquatic ecosystems. We visited prairies, woodlands, and the Mississippi River to see first-hand the work done by dedicated professionals.

Module 3 was an amazing opportunity to visit sites of implementation of conservation measures by dedicated private landowners who demonstrate the wide range of conservation practices developed and implemented to address conservation challenges in Iowa.

And in **Module 4** we examined the human elements of conservation and explored how to communicate the importance of conservation to Iowa and Iowans.

This was one of the most exciting educational experiences of my life! I urge anyone interested in conservation to go to the Master Conservationist Program website and find out how to become involved in the next set of sessions.

The Good Citizens Scholarship year is charging ahead with the Chapter deadlines quickly approaching! The deadlines for this year's Good Citizen Scholarships are as follows:

*Chapter Judging is completed, and the winning Essay is sent to your District Chairman by December 15, 2024

*Winning District essay to the State Chairman by January 1, 2025.

The Iowa District Vice-Chairmen are:

NE: Lucy Zeimet - Lawrence Van Hook Chapter NW: Landra McClellan- Anna Marie Lane Chapter SW: Jane Briley- Nancy McKay Hash Chapter SE: Heather Wells- Washington Chapter

*The winning District entrant is to be sent to the State Chairman by January 1, 2025

This year each Chapter must purchase their certificates, Wallet Cards, and pins directly from the DAR National Store. The State Good Citizens Chair no longer sends them to the Chapters. Please purchase early so you can avoid shortages. This year's certificates will have President General Wright's signature on them, so discard any certificates that you have that may have previous President Generals' signatures.

Any further questions about what so send to the judges or District Vice-Chairmen, please login to the National Daughters of the American Revolution Website's DAR Good Citizens Program Overview. Access this website link:

www.dar.org/members/committees/service-committees/dar-good-citizens-program-overview or contact any of the District Vice-Chairmen or myself.

I look forward to seeing what students will be forwarded to State in this year's DAR Good Citizens Scholarship Essay!

Encouraging the next generation of Good Citizens, to "Sparkle",

Michelle A. Johnson ISDAR State Chairman, Good Citizens Committee



A few DAR chapters around the state have contacted me about exciting **Historic Preservation projects** that are being concluded or developed this year.

Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter Historic Preservation Committee has been working with the city of West Des Moines to offer assistance in restoring, cleaning up and getting the Oak Hill Cemetery at Legacy Woods onto the National DAR Sites and Property Database. The city recently purchased the property in which the cemetery is located. It is connected to the historic home of early settler, James Jordan. A Civil War soldier has been identified as being buried there along with numerous early settlers.



DeShon Chapter Historic Preservation committee is to be commended for seeking and achieving a DAR Historic Preservation Recognition Award for the Boone County Historical Museum Board of Directors. This Board has shown a love of historic preservation within the community of Boone.

Lawrence Van Hook Chapter Historic Preservation committee is in the process of getting two, yes two, places onto the National Sites and Property Database! The first is the last surviving narrow gauge railroad train depot in Iowa. The train depot, built in 1878, was originally located in LaMotte. When the former owner donated the building to the Jackson County Historical Society, it was moved to Maquoketa. The relocation caused the building to lose its national Register of Historic Places designation. The second is the Jackson County Courthouse, built in 1848 in Bellevue. Today the building is used as the Bellevue Public Elementary School and is the oldest building in Iowa to still be used as a school.

Do these projects motive any of you to seek out places, people or other organizations that might be recognized, rewarded, or granted funds for historic preservation? Please share with me when you are ready, I'm here to help.

Charllotte Janeczko State Historical Preservation Chair



The **Iowa Room** is **ISDAR's** *Corner in Washington D.C.* and over the room's door is a plaque provided in 1915 by the Pilgrim Chapter (Iowa City and surrounding area). This Chapter has also recognized historic sites in Iowa.

Kathy Pezley, current Pilgrim Chapter Regent, shares the following:

"The Pilgrim Chapter is proud of our contribution to the national home. We treasure the history of our Pilgrim Chapter's past members and their services to our National Society.

We must teach our children to value the gifts that we have inherited. We once again shared the story of the Iowa Room with our new members last year.

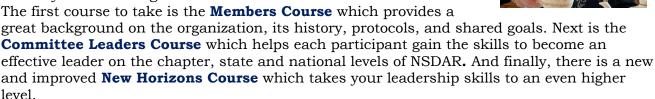
The ladies of Pilgrim Chapter are inspired by our ancestors, to carry on our spirit of patriotism, historical preservation, and service."

As we remember and honor our individual patriots who sacrificed their lives and fortunes we should also look to the past service and contributions of our Iowa Chapters. And that service includes the Iowa Room in Memorial Continental Hall!





Wintertime in Iowa. Cold! Blustery! Snowy! But on the bright side, it will be a fabulous time to cozy up and improve your knowledge of the dynamic and wonderful organization to which we all belong: National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. There are three well done courses that are guaranteed to engage you, challenge you, and inform you in all things NSDAR.



And of course, there's a pin for that! This beautiful DAR Member Training Pin is available for purchase from the DAR store for any daughters who successfully complete these courses. There are separate bars to attach to this pin for each of the three courses. Wear it with pride to show your commitment to NSDAR.

There are two trained and dedicated State Leadership Training Coordinators who are eager to help you get started on your learning journey. Both are happy to help and are very responsive to the needs of all learners. Contact them to begin or continue your learning journey.



Dianne Chadwick works with the Members Course. You can contact her at diannechadwickdar@gmail.com We have around 8 daughters actively working on their Members Course work. Let's double that number by Spring Conference and get lots of grads for our ceremony!

Terri Toppler is responsible for both the Committee Leaders and New Horizons courses. You can contact her at darth5mom@aol.com There are six daughters currently working on each of these courses. Let's grow those numbers too before Spring Conference and make it a real celebration!

If you have any questions about these courses or our goals for the Leadership Training Committee, visit https://www.dar.org/members/committees/standing-committees/dar-leadership-training/member-training-courses on the DAR Members website.

Also, please do not hesitate to contact me at twinbabya@mchsi.com.

Sharleen Newton, State Leadership Training Chair



Submit Your Chapter Master Report Before February 1st!

Include all 2024 activities in your reporting and remember to send any photos to the State Chairmen. You may share the Pin Access Code with your chapter chairmen so they can enter activities. If they have the pin, they don't need access to eMembership.

How to find your Pin:
Log in to eMembership.
Select the "Updates" button.
Select "List All Updates".
Select from the list, "Chapter Master Report Admin (CMR)".
Under "My Chapter Summary", you will find the Pin Access Code.

Happy Reporting! Stay warm and cozy!







The end of the year is rushing upon us and that could mean only one thing, time for the CMR. I love this time of year, because the state gets to see all the wonderful things the chapters have done over the year for the veterans and first responders. We like pictures ladies!

Chapter involvement in this committee includes:

- Giving a 3-minute National Defense report at each meeting.
- Using articles from the *National Defender* for some of these reports (published on the NSDAR Members' Website).
- Having a program on National Defense and reporting it to your state chairman.
- Giving funds to an ROTC or Cadet award program.
- Awarding the following DAR medals:
 - o Gold ROTC Medal to a university graduate being commissioned.
 - <u>Bronze ROTC Medal</u> to a high school or community college student in a JROTC program.
 - Silver DAR Outstanding Cadet Medal to a student enrolled in a non-ROTC, but military-affiliated cadet program.
 - <u>DAR Youth Citizenship Medal</u> to a student in 5th 11th grade who shows outstanding patriotic leadership.
 - DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal to someone 18+ who has contributed to the defense and security of the community, state or nation. **This award can now be given to a group (for example, a First Responder organization). Keep in mind your chapter will need to purchase the \$10 certificate and medal for each member of the group.

Remember pictures, pictures, pictures!!!!!



Celebrate Stars & Stripes Forever By Supporting our Nation's Military!



Hello ISDAR Daughters,

I'd like to share with you information regarding the DAR Project Committee. The committee's mission is to support <u>actively serving military</u> (active-duty, reservists and National Guard) and their families.

At the national level the committee supports:

- 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

Chapters and individuals are encouraged to support our military and their families through National, State, and Chapter or individual levels. You 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

Please note:

- This committee does <u>not</u> support veterans activities. This includes: Honor Flight, VA Hospitals and retirement homes, Wreaths Across America and any other veterans activities.
- First Responders and ROTC or JROTC activities fall under the National Defense Committee.
- Remember Everyone Deployed (RED Fridays) is actually a National Defense Committee project, however, Project Patriot actively supports this as a project.

More information on specific projects can be can be found on the DAR website at https://www.dar.org/members/committees/service-committees/dar-project-patriot/additional-projects

Teri Miller State Chair DAR Project Committee Email: gtmiller@netins.net



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. (See attached poster.)

NSDAR Scholarships

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

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

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

ISDAR Scholarships

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

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

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

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

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:		· ·				
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Email to isdarscholarship@gmail.com or via paper mail to: Janelle Morgan • DAR Scholarship Committee Chair •

301 East Iowa St. Greenfield, Iowa 50849 Phone: 641.343.7124 email: morganj_5@hotmail.com

Iowa Society Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship Application ISDAR Scholarship Fund Regulations Recommendation Adopted by the Executive committee, March 21, 2001 Amended April 23, 2022

I. OBJECT: This Scholarship Fund is intended to assist worthy young men and women to complete a higher education. They must be American citizens of good character and Iowa residents.

II. ELIGIBILITY:

- The applicant must be planning to attend a U.S. Department of Education accredited school of postsecondary education.
- He or she must have a minimum of a 3.0 grade point average based on a 4.0 scale, or equivalent.
- The scholarship shall be awarded based upon merit and financial need.
- Each Chapter is entitled to ONE nomination for the Scholarship. The Chapter's nomination advances on to the State level for judging. (Only the ISDAR Scholarship recipients will be notified.)
- The Chapter Regent must sign the application form of the advancing entry. (The Chapter may include a letter of endorsement with the applicant's entry.)
- The Chapter's complete entry, including all required enclosures, must be postmarked no later than FEBRUARY 1. Please note, separate mailings will not be considered. No records will be returned.
- Payment contingent on receipt by the State Scholarship Chairman of first semester transcript from postsecondary institution.
- Should the scholarship winner fail to provide a first semester transcript within 90 days of completion of said semester, the scholarship shall be withdrawn and awarded to the next best eligible candidate.

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 February 1



Appli	cations are available from	
, DAR So	cholarship Chair,	Chapter
Phone:	or email:	

DAR Service for Veterans Jeanne McMillan, Chair







Dear Iowa Society Daughters, I would like to express my deepest gratitude for your service honoring our homeless veterans in the Des Moines Area. I am currently gathering the **Project Shoebox "Game Night" boxes.** Please email, call or text me if you have boxes you would like me to collect or you would like

to drop off at my house. Please have them to me no later than

December 3rd. I will be delivering all the boxes on December 5th. I am happy to meet however you would like to arrange the meeting. If you have sent me funds to make the "Game Night" boxes, the total cost of each box is approximately \$20. Each is filled with lots of goodies, playing cards, game, crossword, mug, notebook, pen, challenge coin and more. Each has a greeting card with your Chapter's name and a bow. You ladies know how to make Christmas Sparkle for veterans in need.





I want to thank all the Chapters that were able to set up **Missing Man Tables** in their communities to honor Veterans Day Week. It's a beautiful and subtle reminder of our missing, fallen and prisoners of war. Lest We Forget. If some were unable to set Tables, please take the opportunity to reach out to a local establishment about setting a Table up during Memorial Day Week. Our Table at the Urbandale Perkin's received many compliments of appreciation.



Many veterans received **"Kindness Rocks for Veterans"** at the Des Moines VA during Veterans Day Week. There were over 30 kindness rocks handed out and over 20 challenge coins (purchased through

Amazon). I want to thank all the Chapters that have had the joy of painting kindness rocks and handing them out to veterans in your communities. They are so fun to make....and easy.... you don't have to be an artist to make them. Also, kids love this project, and the veterans love and appreciate receiving them. You can even make some for the spouses with lovely sayings on them.

Ladies, it's time to start thinking about the **Service for Veterans Section of the CMR**. Please remember that a lot of what you do can also be included in other sections of the CMR. Become a creative writer. Share all the fun and meaningful projects and events. If you have stories and pictures, please share them where it is asked on the form. I know all our Iowa Daughters honor veterans. The CMR is the place to share what amazing projects and events your Chapter has done to serve our veterans. Celebrate your Chapter!!

Remember **Wreaths Across America** is Saturday, December 14th. WAA honors the memory of the men and women that sacrificed for their country. We are encouraged to participate in ceremonies and the laying of wreaths. Please check with your Chapter on how you can participate and the time, place and day of your local wreath laying events.

Has your Chapter been working on nominating candidates for the **Outstanding Veteran Volunteer, Outstanding Youth Volunteer or Outstanding DAR Service for Veterans Award?** Now is the time for your Chapter to start thinking about honoring a special candidate for these awards. All the Awards information is located on our **National Website on the Service for Veterans Committee Page**. I am here to help you with any questions you may have. There is so much information on our National Website of many Projects your Chapter can do to serve our veterans. The hospitalized, the ones in nursing homes, the homeless, writing cards, and so much more.

Ladies, "Wear Your Heart on Your Sleeve for Veterans!" Enjoy this precious Christmas Season by serving our veterans. Your service will not only be a gift to our veterans, but it will be a gift to you......your heart will be warmed and grow 3 sizes bigger!!

Merry Christmas! Jeanne jeannemcmillan1953@gmail.com





SERVING OUR VETERANS in Eastern Iowa



There are many opportunities for the DAR to make a positive impact on the lives of our Veterans.

Volunteers Needed

New volunteers are always welcome to support the Iowa City VA Health Care System. Current and ongoing needs for more help, include:

- Front entrance Greeters and Escorts at the Iowa City VA Hospital.
- Compassionate Contact Corps (CCC) to make phone calls to Veterans experiencing loneliness or who are socially isolated.
- Administrative help in the Mailroom of the Iowa City VA Hospital.
- A variety of opportunities to serve your local Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) VA facility.

Donations Needed

Although monetary donations are always welcome, with cold weather fast approaching, please also consider donating items such as:

- Sleeping bags
- Coats, hats and gloves
- New or gently used cold-weather clothing

Other items currently requested include:

- Non-perishable food items for food pantries (Cedar Rapids and Davenport locations)
- Reading glasses
- Hairbrushes and hygiene items
- Trac phones and prepaid phone cards
- Activities playing cards, games books, pencils, new magazines, tennis balls

Across eastern Iowa, the DAR has many Iowa Chapters within an hour's drive of the Iowa City VA hospital and/or its many affiliated clinics. To learn more about how you can help our Veterans, visit this webpage:

https://www.va.gov/iowa-city-health-care/work-with-us/volunteer-or-donate/

Share your Story!

In the next newsletter, I'd love to share stories of how you or your DAR Chapter helped our eastern Iowa Veterans during 2024. Please send me your stories!

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Mandel DAR VAVS Representative, Iowa City VA Health Care System darvavsic@gmail.com



Walking a Paper: A Guide to Ensuring Lineage Accuracy

"Walking a paper" is a process used by DAR staff genealogists during the verification review. It doesn't mean they put a harness and leash on the paper and take it to see the Lincoln Memorial while carrying a plastic bag just in case! Instead, it refers to carefully examining the lineage, generation by generation, to ensure the dates make sense. This is something you can do before submitting the paper. It's not complicated, and it can help you catch glaring errors in the lineage that otherwise might be missed.

Start with the last generation of the paper, such as the Patriot's information. If there is a marriage date, does it align with the birth dates of the Patriots and their spouse? Was either party too young for marriage? Were both parties still alive when the marriage took place?

Next, move to the previous generation-the child of the Patriot. Were the parents, the Patriot, and their spouse, married before the child was born? Were both parents alive when the child was born, or if the father was deceased, or was it within a reasonable time for him to have fathered the child? If the father died two years before the child's birth, there's clearly an issue. Was the mother of childbearing age? Males can father children at a much more advanced age than can bear them, so make sure the dates work. Sixty-year-old mothers, for example, will raise red flags.

Repeat this process for each generation. Ensure that the dates are logical. If you find something that doesn't make sense, it's likely that there's an error in the lineage, and you're going to receive an AIR (Additional Information Required.)

Taken from "Genealogy Gems, September 2024."

Additional information on application can be found in this edition of Genealogy Gems. This part may seem a little too simple, but you would not believe the number of typos that are not caught by just one look through, or men of the same name in the same county innocently being substituted with the other's information. This is where a second "set of eyes" is important. If you have a person in your chapter that is willing to do this, that is great. If not, it is time to call on your Volunteer Genealogist. Don't have one? Then it's time to see if you can get one. Think you can do this? Then it is time to let your State Volunteer Genealogist Chairman you're willing. **We're here for you!**



January: Connection Coach-National Mentoring Month

"Cultivate a network of trusted mentors and colleagues. Other people can give us the best insight into ourselves—and our own limitations. We must have the courage to ask for help and to request feedback to expand our vision of what's possible."



February: Physical Health-Heart/Stroke Month

When a heart attack occurs, time is of the essence. The first few minutes are pivotal in determining the patient's

immediate and long-term prognosis. According to the National Institutes of Health, nearly half of heart attack fatalities occur within an hour of the first symptom. Swift recognition and action can significantly increase the chances of receiving timely medical intervention.

March: Career-Women's History Month

During the Revolutionary War, women served the U.S. Army in traditional roles as nurses, seamstresses and cooks for troops in camp. Some courageous women served in combat either alongside their husbands or disguised as men, while others operated as spies for the cause. Though not in uniform, women shared Soldiers' hardships, including inadequate housing and little compensation.

Don't forget about the upcoming essay contest!

The Women's Issues **CELEBRATION ESSAY CONTEST** gives women a voice and a platform to explain clearly all the facets of the issues that they face in everyday life. The essay entries may be written about subjects in any of the following four national categories: Physical Health, Mental Health, Career, and Family, but we especially encourage participants to consider writing on the **National Theme, which is** Celebrating and Caring for Women. Everyone is invited to participate.

ESSAY CONTEST DEADLINE is January 15, 2025!!!



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Across the State Abigail Adams Submitted by Susan B. Klein

Table Tents promote Commemorative Events

Our chapter meetings are full of business, celebration, education and laughter. They are busy meetings! With that in mind, the Commemorative Events committee has chosen to use the ISDAR Commemorative Events table tents to promote the education and celebration of one event at each meeting. At each table, a copy of the monthly table tent is displayed in a 5 X 7-inch acrylic frame. Members are reminded to read the short description of the event. For the first two years of the Wright Administration, topics were the national commemorative events. State Commemorative Events chair, Susan Klein, prepared short descriptions and posted them on the ISDAR Commutative Events website. Check out the resources:



https://www.isdar.org/members/ISDAR Committee Files/2024/Commemorative Events.html



Abigail Adams Members study the Commemorative **Events Table Tent**

For **2024-25 the table tents** are a set of events leading up to the beginning of the Revolutionary War. A total of seven topics like Edenton Tea Party and the female Paul Revere can be found at the site.

At the end of the chapter meeting, the members are quizzed by retired high school teacher, Luanne Baker, about the event with a question and the first person to answer receives a special gift. Members are encouraged to take the information from the frame and share with family and friends. We are preparing ourselves for the 250th Birthday

of our country.

Bells Across America

The Abigail Adams chapter celebrated Bells Across America on September 17th with Jean Marie Cardinal chapter at the replicate Liberty Bell on the Iowa State Capitol grounds. We chose this spot to be near our state government and this special bell. The Liberty Bell replica was a gift from the U.S. Department of the Treasury presented to thank the state of Iowa for its efforts in selling war-bonds for World War II. The bell, cast in Annery-le-Vieux, France, weighs 2,000 pounds. Members are also welcome to bring a bell to ring.





Donnelly bell

Bev Donnelly brought a special bell with her from a bell collection given to her from a close friend of her mother. Bev remembers Janet as a lovely woman with a wonderful sense of humor and the best storyteller. Because Janet was an avid genealogist and proud of her family's history of service to the United States, it seemed right to ring Janet's bell in honor of Constitution Day.

The second bell is from Jennifer Holvey's mother, Patsy **Turney,** who sent this patriotic bell to help us ring in Constitution Day. Patsy is an active member of her DAR chapter in Lake Worth, Florida. Jennifer was our chair for the event.

> Jennifer Holvey bell



Algona Submitted by Karen Meurer

I love it when the chapter does all the work and tells me this!

"The collage was fun to make and to remember the times."

A Collage of Algona DAR Photos from events held June 14 to October 30, 2024.



Photos of: Algona Chapter Flag Day Presentation to a local business June 14th, 2024. Purses for a Purpose at the Fall Forum; Constitution Week - Algona Welcome Center, Active Senior Center, & The Algona Public Library; Algona Band Day Parade, October 5, 2024– Algona DAR participants featuring the Chapter, America 250, a Model T, and a 93 Anniversary Corvette. For the National Day of Service five members gathered to assemble and distribute 48 Veteran Appreciation Bags to Veterans in eight area care facilities. Honorary Regent Pat Bilsborough helped at her home. Most importantly members spent time with each veteran to convey the DAR's appreciation for their service and listen to their stories. The Algona Chapter decorated a scarecrow for Algona Chamber of Commerce's "dress up" Algona for the fall season at Central Park. For Oct Family History Month, the Kossuth County Genealogical Society hosted a discussion on membership qualifications into the DAR with Q&A, for the public. Regent Teri Miller & Registrar Barbara Stevens provided guidance.

Ashley Submitted by Linda Van Niewaal



On September 12, Five Seasons Stand Down took place at the Kernel's Stadium in Cedar Rapids. For the 15th year, Cedar Rapids area DAR chapters provided desserts for lunch. Ashley Chapter organizes and serves the desserts each year. Mayflower and Marion-Linn Chapters assist by contributing homemade desserts. This year Ashley members were joined by the DAR Service for Veterans State Chair Jeanne McMillen.

The Five Seasons Stand Down connects homeless or near-homeless Veterans and non-Veterans to services that assist them in transitioning to community living. These service "connections" take place in a respectful, caring and friendly environment.

Jeanne and her husband volunteered with others to assist the 203 participants as they registered, received a new backpack, a bag of amenities and Goodwill vouchers, and were served a continental breakfast. Participants attended a resource fair after the opening flag ceremony. Later Jeanne joined the ladies of Ashley Chapter in serving desserts for lunch.

Photographs were taken by Ashley member Cristy Hamblin.



From Left to Right:
Laurie Love-Homan, Sarah Olmstead,
Jeanne McMillan, Dixie Olmstead,
Linda Van Niewaal







Across the State Camp Dodge Submitted by Kathy Sells

On October 11, 2024, the Camp Dodge Chapter, NSDAR, met and enjoyed a beautiful fall day picnic lunch at the Walnut Ridge Shelter on Saylorville Lake and then planted daffodil bulbs at the Polk City Cemetery. We hope the daffodils blossom and show their beauty in the spring. Hope SPRINGS Eternal.



On November 20, 2024, we celebrated with an epic potluck luncheon at the beautiful Dodge House at Camp Dodge. We invited special guests to join us. Dan Gannon, Veteran Legislative Liaison, spoke about the "In Memory" program and encouraged us to submit names of deceased veterans who served in Vietnam. The "In Memory" program enables the families and friends of those who came home and later died the opportunity to have them be forever memorialized. We recreated our inaugural meeting photo which was twenty short months ago. We started with fifteen members and today thirty-seven patriotic and fun-loving DAR members enjoy membership with the Camp Dodge Chapter, NSDAR. Hope springs eternal!



Across the State Cedar Falls

Submitted by Sue LeQuatte & Lisa E. Lana

Our Chapter held an event in Waterloo at Elmwood Cemetery to honor 13 Veterans buried there who did not have a headstone. These were veterans from WWI, WWII, Civil War, and the most recent a Vietnam Veteran who died in 2014. His sister attended the ceremony and was very happy and proud to have him honored. We received great media coverage from the local TV station KWWL and the newspaper, Waterloo Courier. Our chapter started working in this cemetery four years ago when numerous tombstones were vandalized. We identified 684 veterans and our chapter continues by



creating a database of all burial records.

Jeverna Mulligan, Librarian & Heidi Warrington, Chaplain



Lisa Lang, Regent, Celia Simmer, Jeverna Mulligan, Sue LeQuatte, Heidi Warrington, Sandy Lawry, Carla Lown, Lynette Cline In back, Yolando Loveless, Black Hawk Country Veterans Affairs, Joyce Stout, Barb Gregersen, Deb Goodenbour

Honoring Vietnam War Veterans

Regent Lisa Lang, presented three Vietnam War Veterans from Independence, IA with a Vietnam Veteran commemorative lapel pin. The pins may be presented to living U.S. veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at any time during the period of November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975, regardless of location. "A Grateful Nation Thanks and Honors You" is engraved on the back of the pins. The veterans were surprised and very appreciative.



Regent Lisa Lang & three residents from Cardinal Court in Independence

Lisa Lang, Heidi Warrington & Debbie Craw ford present Kim from the Salvation Army Women's Shelter with Purses for a Purpose.

National Day of Service

Cedar Falls Chapter embraced the spirit of National Day of Service, by gathering supplies for the Cedar Valley Hospitality House in Waterloo and delivering Purses for a Purpose to the Salvation Army Women's Shelter. What a remarkable day of making a difference!



Standing: Carla Lown, Sue LeQuatte, Bev Lambert, Debbie Crawford, Jean Gillpatrick, Rose Salinas, Nancy Anderson, Alexa Heffernan, Barb Gregersen, Louise Starkey, Joyce Stout, Gretches Woodrick, Anne Woodrick, Cheryl Everman, Nancy Kerns, Hospitality House Director-Joni Hanse Deb Goodenbour, Lynette Cline, Marcia Cunningham, Lisa Lang, Isabelle Shock. Front row: 47 Desiree Simpson, Heidi Warrington, Jocelyn Green, Celia Simmer

Across the State Council Bluffs Submitted by Lisa Rex

As the 2024 year is coming to an end, the Council Bluffs Chapter has been very busy completing our Day of Service project and getting ready for the holidays.

For our Day of Service project this year, we assembled essential goody bags for the homeless in Council Bluffs. These bags contained various items that would help keep them warm as we head into the winter months. Several of the members donated hats, gloves, socks, hand warmers, scarves, hygiene items, and a great deal of various snacks. We assembled approximately 60 bags. Those bags and all leftover items were donated to New Visions Homeless Services also known as Mohm's Place, located in Council Bluffs.

One of the best holidays of the year is Christmas, with beautiful trees decorated, and lights galore strung around the house making the holiday season come alive. The Council Bluffs Chapter has a dedicated tree we decorate each year in mid-November at the General Dodge House. In addition to the tree, we decorate the area around it which includes 2 mannequin children and 1 adult. The ladies did a wonderful job this year as they always do.













Hannah Lee Chapter had a very busy year!

Hannah Lee Chapter Regent Joy Bahnemann and Vice Regent Valerie Pecinovsky joined in the festivities of the Decorah Memorial Day Parade by riding in a 1966 Ford Fairlane featuring DAR signs on the 2-door sedan. And on Flag Day, Peggy Harvey presented four Decorah residents with a 3x5 United States flag to replace their torn and faded flags. Residents were very pleased.

Our chapter had a vital member pass away, July 19, Rebecca "Becky" Lynette Petefish McCabe. In 1997, Becky became a member of NSDAR Hannah Lee Chapter through Patriot John Zink. Becky was Regent from 2005-2006, 2010-2012, 2014-2016, and 2016-2018. She headed the Chapter's Constitution Week committee and contacted schools every year. She ordered supplies and headed stuffing bags for each school in NE Iowa. Past Regent Rebecca McCabe did an outstanding job designing the chapter website and was the 2014-2016 Iowa State Chair for the National Committee for American Heritage and served as NE IA District Director from 2015-2018. She will be greatly missed!

Jill Amdahl and Wendy Novak sewed patriotic quilts for the Quilts of Valor. The quilts were given to Veterans in our community for their service at the Decorah founders day events, and Veterans Day. Our chapter had a sewing workshop as the August meeting program. Hannah Lee has traditionally cut, sewn, and filled hand crafted **Christmas stockings** with treats and goodies to be **shared with more than 50 active-duty troops.** This year, the stockings were sent to Norfolk, VA for members aboard the USS Philippine Sea CG 58.

Hannah Lee Chapter has donated children's books to the Des Moines CAR for their service project. The 2024-25 Iowa State President is Maggie P. of the Loess Hills Society. Her theme is Reading Ignites the Imagination, and her state project is raising funds for Reach Out and Read and to accomplish this, free books are given to families at their pediatric visits.

Joy Bahnemann and Jill Amdahl rode in a decorated car for the Constitution Week parade. This year for Constitution Week we made and delivered 1048 bags for 18 different school in the five surrounding counties: Allamakee, Clayton, Fayette, Howard, and Winneshiek.

For our **DAR Day of Service this year we dedicated Addie Mae Potter's tombstone** at the Waucoma Cemetery in Waucoma, Iowa. She was the Organizing Regent of the Waucoma Chapter. She has a **bronze plaque as her marker that was just placed but not dedicated.** We also dedicated a pre-arranged tombstone with a DAR insignia of our current member, Wendy Novak.

The Hannah Lee Chapter welcomed five new members this year: Jennifer Bennett, Paige Darnell, Kandi Sheffield, Kimberly Thomas, and Virginia Sue Moore. Congratulations and Welcome Ladies!

The Membership Committee picked our chapter out of a drawing for winning "One Gem, Two Gem Membership Challenge". Our chapter won a \$150 gift certificate from the DAR Store for chapter supplies and award supplies. Good job, Hannah Lee!

Joy Bahnemann and Peggy Harvey attended the Northeast District meeting in Cedar Falls on November 9th. Peggy Harvey, State Committee Chairman, gave a report from the American Indian Committee and Joy Bahnemann, State Committee Chairman, gave a report from the Library Outreach Committee. Joy and Peggy also participated in training and network activities.

Across the State Helen Hinman Dwelle Submitted by Colleen Lawler

Helen Hinman Dwelle finished off the year with fireworks!



Regent Lois Colleen Lawler at Founders Day Cemetery Walk in Northwood sharing

Our beloved member Sharlene Stoddard was honored on September 7, at the "Cemetery Walk" which she had co-founded as an activity during Northwood's Founders' Day celebration. Glenda Kay Huston, our Vice Regent, gave a touching memorial to her sister's life and many contributions to our community, especially her love for the DAR. The tribute was shared in our local paper, The Northwood Anchor. This was also an opportunity to make connections with a Possible Member, a granddaughter of our namesake, Helen Dwelle.

Shining stars in the form of Carolyn DeLay and Ann Mack graciously encouraged and proof-read applications for our tenacious Registrar and we celebrated the addition of two new members as we yet mourned the loss of two cherished members earlier in the year.

Constitution Week brought yearlong plans to fruition. Using the generous Celebration grant monies from the NSDAR America! 250 Committee over forty books were given to the libraries in Joice, Lake Mills, and Northwood as part of the semi quincentennial. Books were chosen to grab the attention of younger readers with inspiring Revolutionary period stories and raise awareness in young at heart readers of the diversity of the people that contributed to the founding of our country. The donations included bookplates featuring the America! 250 logo and our chapter name. The books were displayed with a colorful trifold poster featuring our Constitution, The Bill of Rights, and The Declaration of Independence. Publicity for the NSDAR, Helen Hinman Dwelle Chapter and the service nature of our organization were highlighted in two local newspapers along with an invitation to join DAR. The librarians posted word of the donations in public media blogs. Our members, from Texas to Colorado, enjoyed perusing possible book purchases and designing the posters including tips for a well acclaimed author and how to best attach the parchment reproductions!





Regent Lois Colleen Lawler, Northwood Librarian Emily Tuft, Carol Abbey, Lorene Anderson, and Geraldine Arnold (seated)

Henry Knox Submitted by Rhonda Rosado



The Henry Knox Chapter in the past three months has been able to provide honor to our Constitution and service and honor to our veterans.



A proclamation was signed by Knoxville Mayor Brian Hatch declaring the week of September 17-23 as **Constitution Week.** He was joined by members of the Henry Knox Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Besides the signing, Constitution displays were set up at local libraries and City Hall.





Our chapter's **NSDAR Day of Service** was spent assembling Christmas gift boxes for the Project Shoebox "Game Night" for homeless veterans at the DM VAMC holiday party in December. This effort was brought forth at the Fall Forum by Jeanne Lynne McMillan, National Vice-Chair, DAR Service for Veterans, VAVS Deputy Representative Des Moines VA Medical Center State Chair, Iowa Society DAR Service for Veterans. With the donations of items and hands on help by our members and our C.A.R. helpers, we were able to assemble 16 gift boxes that day and enough supplies to finish 7 more. 10 boxes had been donated prior to that day, for a total of 33 boxes being donated from our Chapter.

On Nov 10th, the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Veterans National Cemetery in Van Meter was held with Madam State Regent Sarah Steinke presiding. I was able to attend along with my grandson and C.A.R. member Parker Breazeale. A wreath was laid at the DAR stone and the names of all Revolutionary War Veterans buried in Iowa were read. Lest we never forget the brave men and women who served.



Veterans Day, Nov 11th, was spent honoring 3 Viet Nam veterans in Chariton with Lapel Pins and Certificates. A total of **5 Quilts for Vets were presented.** At Southeast Warren Elementary School in Milo, the children honored veterans with patriotic songs, and folding of flags. 2 Viet Nam veterans received Lapel Pins and Certificates along with 4 quilts presented. The school staff, including State Recording Secretary Jackie Beard, presented a patriotic and honoring program.

Thank you to Applebee's, in Pella, Iowa for allowing us to set up the **"Missing Man"** table. **200 "Thank You For Your Service" pen gifts** were handed out to veterans at the 3 Veterans Day events. 20-25 each in Chariton and Milo. The remainder to Veterans at Applebee's with their meals. It's great to be able to honor our veterans!!



Nov 16 was spent installing a Christmas display, Washington Crossing the Delaware 1776, at the Marion Co Park Holiday Lights. This was the inspiration of our Secretary Barb Anderson. Along with her sons and family, we were able to raise this unique Christmas display!!



Across the State Jean Espy Submitted by Cyndie Reppert



Thursday, Nov. 14 ended up being a very special day in Lee County as veterans received a wonderful honor through **Quilts of Valor.** The group and the veterans met up at the Charleston Board of Trade for a lunch with the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Jean Espy Chapter.

Navy veteran of the Vietnam war, **John Dahl**, gave a beautiful description of the **Great River Honor Flight program**, of which he had attended, which since 2009 has been offering trips to Washington, D.C., where veterans get the chance to visit the memorials dedicated to their honor. Dahl spoke about visiting the **Vietnam Memorial**. "It's an overwhelming silence when you see it



and... all the names. You never forget." From there the group visited the Korean memorial, the World War II Memorial, the Air Force Memorial which was "quite interesting", and the Iwo Jima Memorial. And then when it came to Arlington National Cemetery. "You look out at all the stones, perfectly in line...you ponder about all the sacrifices that have been made." The changing of the guard was another high point, calling it "really amazing". And then on to the Navy Memorial, "Each one of them had scenes from as far back as the Revolutionary War, every trial that we've had."

As a surprise, speaker John Dahl was also given appreciation for his service in the form of a token and commemorative certificate. **After this, Arlyn Fritz and Brenda Dahl gave some information**

about the quilts of valor program, how it started by the mother whose son was deployed in Iraq, who had a dream of him sitting overseas, alone in a bunk, and thought to herself, "I'll make him a quilt." Fritz described the quilt symbolism; she noted each layer had a meaning. strength of the recipient.

Then came the quilt presentation. The <u>first</u> was given to James Clayton Poe III, who served in the Marine Corps from 1967-

1971 and in the reserves. He was stationed in Vietnam and Okinawa, Japan. Among his job duties was the maintenance of electronics on helicopters.

The <u>second</u> went to **Walter Eugene "Mike" Kage**, who served in the Air Force from 1980-2000. He was stationed in several locales including Greece, the Netherlands, Alaska, Grenada, Panama, and the Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm conflicts. His specialty was radio communications.



James Poe III stands before his Quilt of Valor he received Thursday.



Air Force veteran Walter "Mike" Kage prepares to be wrapped in a Quilt of Valor

It was a moving event for all. Those who know of someone of this honor, should contact Quilts of Valor; likewise, the Great River Honor Flight was recommended for all veterans.

Across the State Jean Marie Cardinell Submitted by Denise Baker Hamilton

Justinical Submitted by Benise Baker Hammon

Summer rolls out and Fall rolls in with ISDAR's Fall Forum. JMC raised almost \$200 for the State Regent's Project with our Silent Auction Back to School Baskets.

JMC is celebrating the 200th anniversary of Lafayette's Farewell Tour 1824-1825. We started by inviting him to our chapter meeting to help greet our guests. While Lafayette did not come to Iowa on his tour original tour, we think we can find some things for him to see during the next year right here in Iowa.

In September we welcomed two new members to our chapter. New members Audrey Kobus & Michelle Book joined us with General Lafayette in a photo.

A special award was presented by Joanne Tinker, Chair of DAR Service to Veterans, to **Judy McNamara for reaching a significant volunteer hour threshold of 5,000 hours!** General Lafayette was able to join us too!





Candy
Brown,
chapter
chair of
the

L to R: Jan Oswald, Jeanette
Bodermann, New members
Audrey Kobus & Michelle Book
Joyce McDonnell & Denise
Baker Hamilton

Vietnam War

Baker Hamilton

50th Anniversary Commemorative Event committee, presented an award from the U. S. Dept. of

Defense. The award recognized the Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter, NSDAR, as among the top one percent of the more than 13 thousand Commemorative Partner organizations participating in the noble mission of thanking and honoring thousands of Vietnam veterans and their families.



March 22, 1942 - November 21, 2024



The Daughters of JMC are mourning the sudden but peaceful death of Judy McNamara. She bled DAR blue and we will miss her smile and encouragment. The picture of her with State Regent Sarah

Steinke was taken at the Southwest District meeting in November. We will miss this smile.

Rest in Peace our Daughter Judy McNamara.



Ladies of the Lake Submitted by Mary Thunhorst

The Ladies of the Lake Chapter, Spirit Lake, created 60 sewing kits as their DAR Day of Service project. The kits were then delivered to our Veterans' Center, Cherish House, and Discovery House. Cherish House is a center for unwed mothers. The women live at the house until they give birth. While there, they receive instruction on how to care for themselves and their new baby. Discovery House is a homeless shelter and transitional center for drug and alcohol abusers who are in need of a half-way house to re-enter the community. The Veterans' Center helps veterans with many issues and services.



Ellen Hanson (mother of 3 of our Jr. members), Maryanna Hubbard & Mary Chambers



Lori Swanson, Cherish House, & Mary Thunhorst



Mary Chambers





Mary Thunhorst with VA Representative

Lawrence Van Hook Chapter members have been busy this fall with a variety of projects, special events, and fundraising efforts.



American Heritage Committee Chairman Michelle Turner organized a booth at the 1st Annual Muster on the Maquoketa, a U.S. Civil War Reenactment presented by the Jackson County Iowa Historical Society. Michelle displayed her spinning wheel, Amy Sunleaf sold homemade molasses taffy, and Amy Lawrenz manned the Frying Pan Toss. LVH member Mary McAndrew's Bluegrass Band provided entertainment for the event.

Mary McAndrew

Michelle also staffed a booth at Maqtoberfest by herself since the event coincided with the chapter



Amy Lawrenz, Amy Sunleaf, Michelle Turner

meeting date. She handed out DAR membership information to interested women and coloring pages to the children who visited the booth. Fundraising for the 30" X 30" Patriot Marker started in earnest in May and kicked into high gear this fall. America250! members talked to veterans, fraternal, and civic organizations and the local newspaper to spread the word and ask for support. Chapter members worked another weekend at the Bender's Foods Brat Stand and coordinated with River Ridge Brewing to arrange our first Trivia Night fundraiser. Bob's Trivia Night provided several rounds of patriotic and American History themed trivia and George and Martha Washington were the guest bartenders. Both were a hit with the packed house. Community members were generous in helping to fill the tip jars at each fundraising and community event.

Our **DAR Day of Service project** was to clean the historic La Motte Depot and a combination rail car located at the Clinton Engines Site in Maquoketa. Both are part of the Jackson County Historical Society. The depot was restored in part with a NSDAR special project grant for historical preservation and sponsored and marked by Lawrence Van Hook Chapter in 2017.

In keeping with the **chapter's 2024-25 theme of American Revolution Retrospective,** member Linda Harvan gave a program about colonial clothing in September and member Karen Bradway presented Music for the First President where we had the opportunity to listen to excerpts of songs George Washington knew or may have heard. Michelle Johnson hosted members for a tea commemorating the 250th anniversary of the Edenton Tea Party. We learned about these brave North



Lucy Zeimet, Pam Wetzstein, Gloria Jorgensen, Becky Campbell, Michelle Turner, Linda Harvan, Amy Sunleaf

Carolina women and signed our own "Resolve" then enjoyed tasty period treats.



Lucy Zeimet & Michelle Johnson



Linda Harvan, Pam Wetzstein, Michelle Johnson, Amy Sunleaf, Michelle Johnson, Lucy Zeimet



Edenton Tea

Across the State Martha Washington Submitted by Marta Nelson

The Mission of High School Equivalency

In September member Laura Grell presented our program and informed us about the High School Equivalency Program at Western Iowa Tech Community College. Laura is the Educational Coordinator for the Program. We learned a lot about who uses this program, why they didn't finish high school in a

this program, why they didn't finish high school in a traditional program, the process, and the stumbling blocks they encounter in their journey and how WIT helps them overcome those problems. We were so engrossed by her presentation that we forgot to take an action shot, so we clipped her contact info from the WITCC website!



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Sioux City Campus, Room A424

Plymouth County Museum Visit

In October members traveled to LeMars, IA, home of a couple of our members, to tour the Plymouth County Museum. The museum is housed in the old Central High School building and covers four floors with well-done exhibits in every nook and cranny. They have an extensive agricultural collection and specialize in local history – buildings, businesses, people. Member Carol Schneider was our tour guide and gave us a special tour of the 4H/FFA Room, a project she has had a big part in building. HODAR John Schneider opened the Floyd Valley Railroad Club Room for us so we could see their extensive layout. We held our meeting and had refreshments in the Miller's Lunch exhibit room, which celebrates a LeMars business that was a favorite of LeMars residents for years. We have an entire floor and two log cabins to see when we return! Thanks to Carol and John for a wonderful and enlightening morning.



HODAR John Schneider demonstrates the model railroad for Mary Klaur, PM Julie Reidy, & Regent Marion Cain



Vivian Adams & Marion Cain take in the 4H room at the Plymouth County Museum

We held our meeting in Miller's Lunch.
Vivian Adams, Karen Miller, Joan Farr,
Mary Klaur, Marion Cain
listen to host Carol Schneider.



Mason City Submitted by Diane Murphy



Park Rededication

The Mason City Chapter had a wonderful rededication of Clear Lake DAR Park and dedication of the America250 Park Bench on Saturday, October 12. The weather was perfect and several of the neighbors also attended. Chapter Regent Diane Murphy and Vice Regent Tammy Orte shared about the history of the park. In 1925, the Clear Lake Chapter purchased D.A.R. Park - the historic site of the 1876 pavilion where early day Chautauqua meetings were held. In 1960 they presented the park to the City of Clear Lake. The Clear Lake Chapter joined the Mason City Chapter in 1986. The park includes playground amenities & picnic tables, however there are no park benches. Families living in the neighborhood surrounding the park have expressed how much they would enjoy having a park bench and with the America 250 grant that was accomplished!

The day before the rededication the Clear Lake Chamber of Commerce had a ribbon cutting. Pictured below are the ribbon cutting and photos from the rededication. Thank you to

state officers Barbara MacDougall, Shelley Wells and Deborah Crawford who attended.



Mason City Chapter along with state officers by the original park dedication plaque.



Veteran's Activities

Members of the Mason City Chapter along with ladies from Helen Hinman Dwelle Chapter greeted and supported veterans at Hy-Vee for their annual breakfast on November 11. This is a wonderful way for the chapters to thank a vet and support our wider community.

The following day was our regular meeting, and we again assembled our personal care kits. The care kits include bodywash, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes and deodorant. There are also kits of towels and washcloths. These kits are often given to homeless veterans in the area. We also gathered socks, hats and gloves that will be taken to Cerro Gordo County Veterans office in Mason City. This is an annual service project for the chapter.



Pictured Left to right: Tammy Orte;
Al and Lyn Johnson; Nancy Marsh; Colleen Lawler;
Carol Abbey; Kim Peters; Patty Oelberg,
Diane Murphy and Jane Held in front.

Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter has had a busy Fall.

Since our chapter covers 8 counties, members often provide service in their counties for the chapter. Many of members participated in Constitution Week. Activities included distributing lesson for teachers to use in their classroom in order to teach about the United States Constitution and Constitution Day. An example was that in one school a member distributed bookmarks and puzzles to the 5th graders. Several members developed posters and displays for Constitution Day at the local libraries in our counties.

In October, the chapter donated items and raised funds as a service project for the Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown.

In November, Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter, continued to help the Veterans by donating money to the VA Central Iowa Health Care Center in Des Moines for their needs. We also had a guest speaker, Lyle Asell. He told us the sensational story of his service during the Vietnam War. As partners of the United States Vietnam War Commemoration, several members of the Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter issued Vietnam Commemoration Lapel Pins to those eligible.



The two gentlemen are veterans of the Vietnam War and received Lapel Pins from Regent Jane Briley

Hearing of the devastation of homes and building in North Carolina following Hurricane Helene. Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter



Lyle Asell, Vietnam Veteran, our speaker at our meeting in November

members collected clothing such as hats, gloves, and blankets in November for the victims of this disaster. A Nancy McKay Harsh member, Jan Morgan, was going to visit her son in North Carolina and volunteered to deliver the times to the areas in need.

We also had excitement when we found that our **chapter member**, **Deb Molzer**, recently **visited the gravesite of Marquis de Lafayette** in Paris, France. Deb has offered to give a program about Lafayette and this visit during our chapter meeting in March 2025. Deb lives in Florida and attends all the chapter meeting on Microsoft Teams. **See the next page for her awesome pictures!**

We have had a great start to our year.

Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter member Debbie Molzer tells us about her recent visit to Europe. Debbie's ancestors descended from France, and she's tried to find proof that when LaFayette visited the US in his farewell tour in the 1830's that he may have visited her ancestors in Cincinnati.

Debbie tells us "My husband and I spent 2 fantastic weeks in Paris. One of my goals was to visit the Picpus Cemetery where the **Marquis de Lafayette** is buried. It is the only private cemetery in Paris. You enter through 2 huge, double wooden doors. There is a pretty courtyard with a chapel, then you pass through gates with **DAR plaques on each side.**

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Next, following a path through a peaceful park like environment that ends at the cemetery.

Lafayette's grave



is at the end corner. I placed a red, white, and blue artificial bouquet with a small US flag and a small DAR 250th anniversary flag on his grave site, where it is surrounded by DAR markers and a large US flag. I felt honored to do so on behalf of the Nancy McKay Harsh Chapter."





Across the State Nathaniel Fellows Submitted by Kaye Miller

On September 20th, **Nathaniel Fellows Chapter Members** attended a **Naturalization Ceremony** at the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and Museum in West Branch, IA.

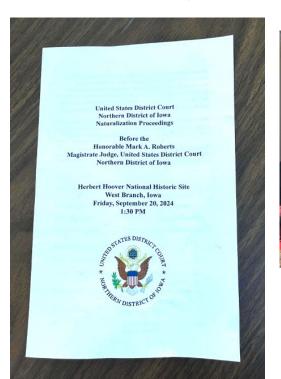
We handed out Flags and Flag Code Pamphlets to **56 new US citizens** from 26 different countries. It was a beautiful ceremony, and a great opportunity to display our new Chapter Banner. We received the banner, it's pole and base along with more flags to distribute in the future with our Chapter's America 250 Grant money.



Kathleen Jespersen, Stephanie Miller, Denise Yoder, and Joyce Mandel



Standing Denise Yoder,
Kathleen Jespersen, Kaye Miller.
Seated Joyce Mandel, Stephanie Miller.





Swearing in new US Citizens is
Paul Coberly, Case Administrator
U.S. District Court Northern District of Iowa.

Across the State Onawa Submitted by Lori Bermel

The Onawa Chapter made a difference in the lives of veterans during their Service to America Project. The members collected a variety of fun items to fill gift boxes for veterans. The goal was to prepare ten boxes, but the chapter surpassed their goal by completing fifteen. These gift boxes will be delivered to the Omaha Veterans Hospital that supports Western Iowa and Eastern Nebraska veterans. A holiday card expressing our gratitude for their service was included.

The chapter has taken on the State Regent's Project of supporting education by adopting a teacher and their classroom. Two teachers were adopted for this school year: Vince Stolz, first year teacher of history at ArWeVa High School and Lindsey Marotz, daughter of member Leah Marotz, a second-year teacher of fifth grade math and reading at Norfolk Public School. Each teacher was presented with a bag full of goodies for themselves and their class. The chapter will continue to support these teachers during the school year.



Chapter members filling gift boxes for the veterans.

Front to back

Left side - Donna Goslar, Peggy Pippitt,

Andrea Perry, and Evelyn Moore

Right side - Nancy Schallau and Lori Bermel

Taking the picture member Jennie McCartney

Pilgrim Submitted by Kathy Pezley

Sharolyn Evans, Pilgrim Chapter member, and Mayor of Iowa City, Bruce Teague, posing together after Constitution Week was declared at the City Council meeting on September 3, 2024.



Across the State **Revolutionary Dames** Submitted by Barbara Glasener



The Revolutionary Dames have been working on our December holiday projects. We are participating in the Waverly-Wartburg Festival of Trees. Our esteemed leader and craft queen, Rita Ruth, designed and produced ornaments for our tree which display our patriots. We held an Ornament Workshop for members



to help finish their construction and then met the next week to set-up our display.













If you are in the Waverly area, come see our tree: Location: Classroom Technology Center atrium, Wartburg College, Open to the public: Monday, Dec. 2, through Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2024, Hours: 9 a.m.-9 p.m. daily, Cost: Free!



We will also have a live window dispaly featuring the story of Washington Crossing the Delaware on Christmas Eve 1776 as part of Waverly's Christmas Greetings on Main Thursday, December 12, 2024 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. (This year's theme is Over the River and Through the Woods.) So, please, come see us and the other live holiday window scenes, an ice carver, hot spots featuring free Nestle hot chocolate and other holiday fun.

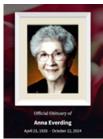


We were honored to have Dianne Chadwick, Iowa Coordinator of the Members Course, present our **November** program. She introduced our membership to the Members Course of the DAR Leadership Training. Both of our newest members have continued with the course; one was so intrigued with what she learned that she shared with her daughters (two of our new Junior members). Now they are all excited about the information they are gleaning. We really appreciate Dianne making the long drive and working with our, "vibrant chapter of wonderful women"!









.(Left.to.right)¿Acting.Chaplin.Karen.Brandt.installed.Libby.Muchow.in.September.and.Barbara.Menning.™ Amy.Seegers.in.November.so.far. in.8680.we.have.had.7 new.member.apps.approved.(0 Juniors); Jill.Eike.and.her.daughter.Elleri.signed.their.applications.at.the.end.of.the. November.meeting.(daughter.Emmeline.will.sign.hers.when.she's.home.for.Thanksgiving;);.

However?our.eldest.member?Anna.Everding.died.early.in.October·.her.memorial.will.be.held.at.the.chapter's.December.meeting·.guests.are.welcome.to.also.attend.@Dec?7¿96.pm.at.the.Waverly.Area.Veterans.Post;





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After the October meeting we worked on our Service Day project, we put together 25 Game-night shoe-boxes with items donated by members; 18 were taken as "thank-you for your service" gifts to the residents of a local facility who are veterans. but COVID cautions made that difficult. Finally, in time for Veterans' Day, they gathered. Favorite item in the boxes? Munchies. And Bartels staff observed the veterans enjoyed the gift boxes and those boxes encouraged some story-sharing among the veterans." The remaining 7 were handed off to Jeanne McMillan on Wednesday, November 20th for inclusion with the ISDAR Service to Veterans initiative for our homeless veterans.

Submission Deadlines & Guidelines

Spring - February 22nd - Saturday after MLK Jr. day

Summer - May 31st - Saturday after Memorial Day

Fall - August 16th - before most Back to School dates

Winter - November 24th - the Monday before Thanksgiving

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

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Send photos .jpg or .png via email attachment OR within the email

Please identify the subjects in the attached photos

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