



# West Virginia DAR News

*National Theme: "Preserve the Past, Enhance the Present, Invest in the Future"*

*State Theme: "Treasures of the Mountains"*

*State Scripture: "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21*

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## *Message from the State Regent*

Dear West Virginia Daughters:

It is amazing to think we are beginning the second year of this Administration! *Tempus Fugit!* I want to again thank all the Directors and Hostess Chapters for wonderful District Meetings! Attendance was up and we had great discussions; I hope your Chapters found the information interesting! Please continue to explore new committees and community activities to spread the word of WVDAR!

I have been thrilled to be able to meet with so many WV Daughters during my visits to the Chapters! While each Chapter is unique and focuses on different aspects of DAR, each strives to be the best and that makes your Executive Board so proud!

I just spoke with our DAR Museum Period Room Curator, and Patrick was giving me an update about our WV Room. He is so excited that the WV Daughters have approved this project! As I have said many times, Patrick is in awe that our State Society had the forethought to be fiscally prepared for such an undertaking! We may be one of the few "shovel-ready" projects...to borrow a current phrase! Due to the renovations in the Period Room, the State Society will not be sponsoring an Open House during the 2012 Continental Congress, but I encourage you to stop by and visit to see the progress at that time!

Thank you so much for the kind donations for the State Regent's Projects! Look for more "voices" and projects to promote these projects! Thank you for all the books that were donated during the District Meetings! Vicky Shears, State Chairman of Literacy Promotion, and I were amazed at how quickly her car was filled with books!

Don't forget about the Cottage Art Contest! See your Chapter Regent or contact Joan McClelland, State Chairman, for more information. We have so many talented Artist Daughters and I can't want to see the winners' work on display at our Josephine C. Peters Cottage on the Tamassee campus.

Plans are underway for the 2012 State Conference to be held in South Charleston, May 18, 19 and 20. Kathleen Bledsoe and Linda Parsons have graciously accepted the challenge of General Conference Co-Chairmen and I am so excited to be working with them. Western District Daughters will be serving as hostesses for this Conference and more information will be available soon. I encourage you to attend YOUR State Conference!

Exciting news...a new chapter is being explored and we hope to be able to submit paperwork in the Spring.

Lastly, I want to encourage the Chapters to take advantage of the State Commission of Chapter Development and Revitalization's offer to conduct Leadership Training for your new members and incoming officers. As I said earlier in this message, we are heading into the second year and need to be thinking about the future of not only the State Society leadership but more importantly of the Chapters. We need to make sure the Chapters are prepared and continue to perform well in West Virginia. Please contact Frannie Weekley, State Registrar, for more details! [gweekley@yahoo.com](mailto:gweekley@yahoo.com) Have topic...will travel!

Best wishes for a wonderful 2011-2012 DAR year! I treasure each of you and thank you for your hard work!

Fondly,

Charla



*Charla Louise Nutter*  
*West Virginia State Regent*

# Welcome to our New West Virginia Daughters



## *Anne Bailey:*

Haley Louise Goode

## *Col. Zackquill Morgan:*

Amy Westwood

## *Kanawha Valley:*

Priscilla Cash

Elizabeth Devol

Sarah Holliday

Betty Kelley

Naomi Wilgosh

## *Anne Royall:*

Alice Bengel

Robin Cook

Angela Huffman

## *Elizabeth Ludington*

## *Hagans-Col. John Evans:*

Frances Oliver

Susanna Roth

## *Pack Horse Ford:*

Mary Gageby

Martha McIntosh

Linda Parker-Davis

## *Bee Line:*

Margaret Davenport

## *Fort Ashby:*

Ruby Allison

Linda Evans

## *Blennerhassett:*

Michelle Angelone

Lorraine Deskevich

Christine Frias

Rebecca Hamrick

Oleta Props

Elizabeth Sams

## *General Andrew Lewis:*

Judy Deegans

## *Trans-Allegheny:*

Tabitha Goodwin

## *Buford:*

Kristin Banks

Olivia Giachino

Sarah Giachino

Victoria Giachino

Amy Heffernan

Kristin Homolka

Gwendolyn Lowry

Jessie Rubin

Jane White

## *James Wood:*

Sarah Leon

Alycia Ruf

Phyllis Ruf

## *Woodburn:*

Jeryl Johnston

## *Ye Towne of Bath:*

Tricia Strader

## *John Hart:*

Kimberly Anger



# Celebrating Independence Day in our Nation's Capitol



(L-R) Mary Blaine McLaughlin, President General Merry Ann Thompson Wright, and Dorothy Sandy

State Treasurer Dorothy Sandy and State Organizing Secretary Mary Blaine McLaughlin completed their trip to the 120<sup>th</sup> Continental Congress by participating in the Washington DC 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade with the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution. President General Merry Ann Wright led the parade by riding on the back of a convertible sport car and waving the American Flag as the band in front of her played *God Bless America*. A banner naming the organization preceded her, and our national officers followed her in a straight line each wearing their blue shirts which said "Today's DAR." All other Daughters participating in the parade wore all white outfits.

Three American flags followed the officers. The first was the Betsy Ross flag which had stars in a circle on a blue field. The second was a standard American flag with thirteen stars on a blue field. The third was the 1776 flag which consisted of the number "76" on a blue field with an arch of stars above it.

Each flag was carried by 12-13 people. Mary McLaughlin and Dot Sandy carried the Betsy Ross flag. If a Daughter did not get to carry one of the three flags, she got a small flag to wave as she strolled down Constitution Avenue.



Some other participants in the parade included Uncle Sam on stilts, flag twirlers, fife & drum groups, bands, floats from the National Archives, the U.S. Marines, and overhead balloons of Curious George, Uncle Sam, Birthday Cake, Fred Flintstone, and Uncle Sam's top hat.

The parade started at Independence Avenue and 7<sup>th</sup> Street and proceeded 1.5 miles, ending at the DAR Headquarters. Crowds lined the streets and waved to the Daughters as they waved back. Much patriotism was expressed that day with cheers, pictures, and love of country exhibited as the parade passed such landmarks as the National Archives, the Washington Monument, and the White House. Then, as it proceeded to pass the Grandstand, the announcer noted our organization and the objectives that it stands for: education, historic preservation and patriotism.



After folding the flags, Daughters participating in the parade went into the DAR Headquarters for a much needed free water bottle and bag of trail mix before obtaining a certificate from the National Society's Committee on Commemorative Events. A picture was then taken of all 100 Daughters participating in the event on the steps and balcony above the Founder's Memorial. Afterwards, the policemen from the Washington, DC area cooked lunch for the Daughters and set up tables across the street under magnolia trees for a picnic. Lunch consisted of melon, hamburgers, hot dogs, cole slaw, corn on the cob, pasta salad, baked beans, and iced tea or soda. It was a nice ending for the Independence Day parade.

It is interesting to note that our current President General, Merry Ann Wright, began the DAR's participation in this 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade, and it certainly has given the DAR much patriotic exposure.

# Chelsea Hessler Gets WV State Good Citizen Award



Chelsea Hessler, a Berkeley Springs High School senior, has won the West Virginia DAR Good Citizen Award for 2010-2011. The certificate and pin were presented to her at her high school awards ceremony in May. Presenting the award was Gail Potter, Regent of Ye Towne of Bath Chapter, and Linda McGraw, Good Citizen Chairman. Each year the DAR looks for high school seniors who have the qualities for good citizens. They must demonstrate dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. Applicants are recommended by their classmates and teachers.

Each applicant must submit a handwritten essay concerning good citizenship. Last year's essay was to be titled "Our American Heritage and Our Responsibility for Preserving It."

(L-R) Ye Towne of Bath Regent Gail Potter, Chelsea Hessler, and Linda McGraw, Good Citizen Chairman for the chapter.

Chelsea is a 4.0 student who was involved in many school activities. She was voted the 2010 Homecoming Queen, president of the FFA Chapter and a National Honor Society member. For four years, she has lettered in the sports of cross country, basketball and softball. She was captain of all three teams. This spring she was voted the Senior Girl Athlete of the Year.

For the past two years, she helped organize the "Miss Morgan County Scholarship Program" that helps female students earn college scholarships. She has been active in 4-H for 13 years. This spring Chelsea received the Prudential Spirit of Community Award; the Elks Lodge Teenager of the Year for the Tri-County Area of Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan Counties; and the West Virginia Association of Conservation District Award for the Berkeley District.

This fall she will attend WVU in Morgantown, majoring in Agricultural Education. WVU has awarded her the G. Belmont Berry Scholarship. She is the daughter of Pam and Craig Hessler of Berkeley Springs.

## Kenna Elementary Student Wins History Essay Contest

Geri Jackson (left) WVDAR State Historian, presents Jordan Bell, a fifth grade student at Kenna Elementary School in Charleston, WV, a medal and certificate. Jordan and her classmates entered the essay contest "Paul Revere" sponsored by the Anne Bailey Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. Jordan's essay was entered in state competition and placed first! Bell received the DAR state history essay medal. She and her parents, Kim and Jerry Bell of South Charleston, WV, attended the February 2011 chapter meeting where Jordan read her essay to the members present. Jordan's fifth grade teacher is Kathy Graley.



# Blanche L. Reymann State Scholarship Recipient

Allison Nicole Pugh, an English major at Alderson-Broaddus College, Philippi, WV, is this year's recipient of the Blanche L. Reymann State Scholarship. West Virginia State Regent, Charla L. Nutter, presented Allison with a check for \$1,000.00 during the Central District Meeting held at the Village Square Conference Center of Clarksburg, WV on July 30, 2011.

Allison has been on the Dean's List each semester and on the President's List since 2010. She was awarded the Sophomore and Junior Academic Award. She received the Independent Study Award for her portfolio of work in the English Independent Study Course, in which her work focused on short fiction. During her sophomore year, she received second place in the annual INFLUX poetry contest.

She is a member of Lambda Sigma Phi sorority and serves as Assistant Editor on the Student Editorial Board of INFLUX, the literary magazine produced by the students in the creative writing practicum course.

Eloise Puglisi, State Chairman of the Blanche L. Reymann State Scholarship, and Brian Weingart, Director of Financial Aid at Alderson-Broaddus College, highly recommended Allison for this honor. She has a cumulative GPA of 4.0 and is very worthy of this award.

The State Scholarship Fund was established in memory of Blanche L. Reymann, a former WV State DAR Regent, by personal monetary contributions from her three daughters. Recipients of the award must be a female student in need of financial support who is entering her senior year in one of the West Virginia private colleges or universities. She must be in the upper one-third of her class academically. The scholarship is presented on a rotating basis among the private colleges and universities in West Virginia approved by the West Virginia Independent Colleges and Universities Organization.

## An Update from Eloise Puglisi Regarding the Blanche Reymann Scholarship Fund...

**Congratulations** to the West Virginia chapters who contributed a total of \$865.05 to the Blanche L. Reymann State Scholarship Fund last year. An additional \$270.00 cash received from the special Fiesta Dinnerware fundraiser event at the 2011 WVDAR State Conference made a total of \$1,135.00 to cover the cost of the \$1,000 scholarship. \$135.05 was added to the Blanche L. Reymann checking account to cover the cost of the Scholarship Recipient and her parents' expenses to attend the award presentation at the Central District Meeting.

### Special Thanks to the Mound Chapter:

In preparation for the disbandment of the Mound Chapter, the members voted to donate all remaining chapter funds amounting to \$1,045.07 to be invested in the Blanche L. Reymann State Scholarship CD. The members felt that this donation would ensure the continuation of this worthwhile state scholarship.



Allison Pugh receiving certificate from State Regent Charla Nutter



# Graduation/Wedding Dress Accepted by the DAR Museum



*Above: A studio photo of Eva Brawley Dickson wearing the donated dress in 1894.*

Woodburn Chapter member, Joan Gibson, participated in the Gift Acceptance Ceremony during Continental Congress in June as her Grandmother Gibson's dress was accepted by the NSDAR Museum. Eva Brawley Dickson wore the dress for her graduation from Allegheny College, Meadville, PA in June, 1894. A month later, she was married to fellow Allegheny College graduate, John A. Gibson, Sr., wearing the same dress.

A studio graduation photo of Eva in the dress, her graduation program, Kappa Alpha Theta sorority pin and 1894 Kaldron yearbook were included in the gift to DAR. The dress will be part of an exhibit entitled "Fashioning the New Woman" opening in October, 2012 and running through the 2013 Continental Congress.

Joan wore the dress in 1963 as a hostess for Morgantown's Civil War - West Virginia Statehood Centennial exhibit.

Joan joined DAR on her grandmother's John Hatfield patriot. She has added Capt. Robert Gibson and Robert FitzRandolph from her grandfather's SAR membership as supplementals. Joan's late father, John A. Gibson, Jr., was also an Allegheny College graduate.

*Right: Joan Gibson wearing the donated dress in 1963 as a hostess for Morgantown's Civil War - West Virginia Statehood Centennial Exhibit.*





# Committee Corner

**Literacy Promotion—Vicky Shears, Chair**

***GOAL: 100% Chapter Participation  
It is as easy as donating one book or  
one dollar!***



The DAR service areas for the Literacy Promotion Committee are as follows:

**Engage in Service** at an individual or chapter level which includes mentoring or tutoring children or adults, reading to children, reading to the blind or recording books on tape, and providing books to veterans or others in need.

**Highlight DAR's Commitment to Literacy** by publicizing literacy programs to those in need or educating the public about the widespread problem of illiteracy, sponsoring an event on National Literacy Day on November 1, sponsoring a program or developing materials to emphasize the importance of reading, or encouraging parents to instill a love of reading in their children.

**Reach out in Friendship** by partnering with other DAR committees or other organizations to raise funds, provide educational materials or supplies, or coordinate volunteer efforts.

For the year ending February 28, 2011, West Virginia Daughters reported 1,284 hours for tutoring or promoting literacy in adults and 3,944 hours for tutoring or promoting literacy in children, donated 1,158 books and \$2,355 in monetary donations. These activities, as well as special programs held by the chapters, earned West Virginia an East Central Division First Place for Literacy Promotion.

West Virginia Literacy Projects for 2011-2012 include the State Regent's project of donating large print books or e-readers to VA hospitals and nursing homes, and the Appalachian Prison Book Project (APBP). Also check out The Dictionary Project at [www.dictionaryproject.org](http://www.dictionaryproject.org).

Chapters were challenged during the district meetings to bring at least one book or one dollar to reach the goal of 100% chapter participation for Literacy Promotion. Sixteen chapters reported donations they had made of contributed books or money. The Bee Line Chapter reported donating 26 boxes of children's books to two libraries. Wow! With this large donation and other known book donations, we have already exceeded the number of books donated last year. Books that were given to me will be split between the Veterans Hospitals and Nursing Homes and the Appalachian Prison Book Project (APBP). Twenty-four used large print books were collected for the veterans. Monetary donations of \$14 will be given to APBP.

As a member of a chapter, even if you don't live in the local area, please report any book donations that you make to your chapter regent. This is an easy way for your chapter to participate and have a positive report. Books can be donated to libraries, literacy organizations, schools, 4-H club programs, veterans, and active duty military to name a few.

Having a chapter program on a literacy project is another way to support this committee. Adult Basic Education Programs, Public Library personnel, RESA personnel, Board of Education personnel, ProLiteracy, Read Aloud, Book Festival Authors, County Reading Councils, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, 4-H Clubs, YWCA and YMCA are all possible contacts for either a program or to support a literacy activity they may be providing.

Don't forget that DAR Special Project Grants have funded many projects connected with Literacy Promotion, such as a Student and Teacher Resource Library for the District of Columbia's YWCA, which helps women trying to further their education and develop needed employment skills. Chapters are ideally positioned to find and support organizations making a difference in their communities. Chapters are also eligible for Special Project Grants, so if you have a great Literacy Promotion project, apply for a Grant!



"How did it get so late so soon? It's night before it's afternoon. December is here before it's June. My goodness how the time has flown. How did it get so late so soon?"

—Dr. Seuss

## DAR Service for Veterans

Cheryl Brown, Chair



One of our State Regent's projects is providing large-print books for the federal and state veterans' facilities in West Virginia. To assist with this project, the DAR Service for Veterans Committee is helping to raise funds to purchase the books. At State Conference this year, voices were sold on a patriotic-themed quilt with all proceeds going to the project. The selection of the winner of the quilt will take place at State Conference in May 2012. If there are members of your chapter who will not be at this conference but would like to obtain voices, please contact me at [FrankK5600@aol.com](mailto:FrankK5600@aol.com) or (304) 876-3817. Voices are six for \$5 or \$1 each.

Last year WVDAR chapters worked tirelessly in support of veterans in our state. However, we did not enter any of the national DAR Service for Veterans Committee contests. For 2011-2012, let's do better!! Please nominate individuals for these contests: (1) DAR Outstanding Veteran Volunteer; (2) Outstanding Youth Volunteer; and (3) Outstanding DAR Service for Veterans Award. For information on how to enter the contests, please see the National Information Packet or the DAR Members' Web site. All nominations must reach me before December 1, 2011. If you have questions, please let me know.

Thanks for all you do for our nation's veterans!



## Update on WVDAR News

Susan Arnold, Editor

Many thanks to the chapters who have sent lists of members who are willing to receive the newsletter by email. As of this mailing, I have approximately 336 electronic subscribers. However, there are 15 chapters who have not yet responded. Please feel free to send me updates of email addresses throughout the year.

Deadline for the Spring Issue will be **February 1, 2012**. Please send your pictures and news items to me either at

1283 Kings Road, Morgantown, WV 26508 OR

[susan.arnold@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:susan.arnold@mail.wvu.edu)

## "Miss Etiquette" Speaks...



Miss Etiquette wanted to remind the West Virginia Daughters of a few "electronic" protocol points:

- ◆ Please be mindful of when to hit "Reply All" on an email message. Do you really want everyone to see your comments and do your comments hurt or help the discussion?
- ◆ Take the time to re-read your message before hitting "Send". A few extra moments will make all the difference to ensure you are sending the correct message.
- ◆ When posting information on Facebook or Twitter with regards to DAR activities, please be sure your photos and/or posts are accurate and correct. Be mindful that some members do not like to have their photos taken and/or posted on the Internet.
- ◆ With all forms of communication, think about your audience first...Will they understand your message? Are you sending this information to the correct people?



Mary McLaughlin and Dot Sandy at 4th of July Parade

# Project Patriot

Project Patriot is a wonderful way to show your support for our servicemen and servicewomen. We have seen the beautiful pictures of families being reunited as troops are sent home but we can't forget those who still serve. Through Project Patriot, all D.A.R. sisters have this opportunity to honor and remember.

When our active duty military are severely injured, they are sent by medivac to Landstuhl, Germany. These soldiers arrive at Landstuhl with essentially nothing. Landstuhl Regional Medical Center is the largest American hospital outside of the United States. The DAR Project Patriot Committee coordinates with the Landstuhl Chaplains' Office to meet requested items in bulk, provided by contributions. Phone cards with the DAR logo are given to the Landstuhl Chaplain for distribution to wounded service personnel; clothing items, requested for the Wounded Warrior Closet, are purchased and donated through the National Society. The hospital is currently requesting:

- iTunes® cards
- Deodorant - men's and women's
- Gold Bond® Foot Powder - travel size
- Lip balm/Chapstick®
- Socks - ankle only  
(Please do **not** send used items.)
- Healthy snack bars, chocolate, candy, and personal notes of support are continually-requested items.

Mail items (with required customs form) to:

LANDSTUHL REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER  
ATTN: MCEUL-CH/CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE  
CMR 402  
APO, AE 09180

**Thank you cards for our veterans** – DAR members give out thank you cards to veterans when they are visiting them in VA facilities, shelters, and state facilities, when they see a car with a veteran sticker on it, and any occasion they have to thank our veterans for the tremendous sacrifice they have made for our freedom. Go to <http://members.dar.org/committees/projectpatriot/programs.htm> for the link to the template. (NOTE: This is a Microsoft Word file; you must have this software installed in order to open the file. The template is designed to work with Avery form 5371 business cards.)



Dear Military Veteran,  
Thank you for your service, sacrifice, and  
commitment to the preservation of our freedom.  
- A grateful American  
(Name) Chapter, NSDAR  
(Location)



**Deployed women in military service** – Women will appreciate receiving beauty and feminine products, similar to what we use at home. It may be difficult for them to replenish their favorite products when they are away from home and stores, for an extended time! Following is a list of frequently requested items:

- AA/AAA batteries
- Crackers, hard candy, nuts, slim jims/beef jerky, microwave popcorn, trail mix, coffee and all of its fixings
- Snack foods (the mess halls are great, but they work long hours and sometimes miss meals)
- Sun lotion, soap, wet wipes
- Travel size Kleenex
- Small size hand lotions and sanitizers (to fit in pockets!)
- Cards and decorations at least 30 days before a holiday
- Pictures/small posters to hang on the walls (everything seems to be tan)
- Dusting/electronic wipes

It is recommended that food items be double-bagged in zippered plastic bags and sent separately from any personal hygiene items. Liquid items should also be double bagged. A customs form is required for shipment to an APO address.

Military flat rate packages may be mailed to any of the following women deployed in various locations in Iraq:

SGT Andrea Allen  
FOB Union III, J1 FWD  
APO AE 09348

SMSgt Diane Hotaling  
HQ USF-I CMD GRP/SJS  
APO AE 09342

MSG Rindi Foster  
USF-I J33 JOC  
APO AE 09342

MAJ Dena DeLucia  
USFI J3 JOC  
APO AE 09342

SGT CAMPBELL, TACHANA  
HSC, USF-I  
(MAINTENANCE)  
APO AE 09342

Michelle Woodard  
USF-I J4  
APO AE 09342

SSG Loshana Alexander  
USF-I J35 Training Stability  
Academy  
Building 51F  
APO AE 09342

Sophia Estrada  
B Company  
USF-I J1  
APO AE 09342

SFC GENTLE, TAMARA  
B CO, DSTB, 4TH ID, G1  
COB SPEICHER  
APO AE 09393

CPT Jacqueline Murray-  
Bonno  
HHC, 189th Combat Sustain-  
ment Support Battalion  
Al Asad Air Base  
APO AE 09333

SSG Tara Franceschina  
310 ESC (G-1)  
APO AE 09391

## American History Essay Contest

We have heard concerns about the use of Wikipedia as the only online source listed on the form for the 2012 Essay. Many schools in WV do not approve the use of Wikipedia because anyone can alter/submit information on a particular subject and there is no way to validate the information. When you approach your local schools about participating in this great contest, please encourage them to ensure that the students are using proper research methods and sources.

### 2011-2012 Topic:

Pretend you were alive during the War of 1812 and had a friend who has become famous in history because of standing up for America during that exciting but dangerous time. Describe the person and how he or she stood up for America. Explain why it is important to honor such heroes when we celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the War of 1812.

**Title of Essay: "Young America Takes a Stand: The War of 1812"**

**Deadline: Monday, February 27, 2012  
to Diana Johnson, State Chairman**

# Chapter News

## Blennerhassett Chapter Dedicates Dils Cemetery

Approximately 100 people gathered at the historical Dils Cemetery on Northwestern Pike in Parkersburg on May 22, 2011 to dedicate the entry archway and to honor James Foley (1737-1808) for his 1783 civil service as a juror in Prince William County, Virginia. Representatives from the Capt. James Neal Chapter WVSSAR, Ewings and Marietta Chapter OHSSAR, James Wood, Anne Royall and Blennerhassett Chapters NSDAR, and people with an interest in local history attended the ceremony.

The dedication of the Dils Cemetery arch, which was installed in July 2010, was conducted by Bob Enoch, president of the Wood County Historical and Preservation Society. "This beautiful archway symbolically directs visitors into Dils Cemetery," Enoch said. "It leads from the land of the living to the realm of those who have departed this earthly life. This beautiful doorway is a way in which we access and honor those of a much earlier age. We dedicate this archway forever honoring the memory of those who first entered and settled this beautiful land we enjoy today."

The ceremony moved into the cemetery to the site of the SAR gravestone placed for James Foley. Parkersburg Mayor Robert Newell presented a proclamation from the City detailing Foley's civil service to Dina Braniff, Regent, Blennerhassett Chapter NSDAR. For over 200 years, the Court Order Book from Prince William County VA for 1778-1784 was missing. Newell said. Pages from the book appeared in Internet sales, and in the 1990s the Library of Virginia purchased the pages and the book itself. The two cases that Foley served on were *Ewell v. Shute* and *Byrne v. Feagan* in August 1783. "This information made it possible for James Foley to qualify through his civic patriotic service as an American Revolutionary patriot," Newell said.

Wreaths were laid at the Foley gravesite by the patriotic organizations present and a twenty-one gun salute was conducted. A cannon salute by Captain Jim Miracle of Carlin's Battery "D" was executed. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Henry Cooper Log Cabin in the City Park.



(L-R) Susan Garrett, WVDAR State Chaplain; Charla Nutter, West Virginia DAR State Regent; Dina Braniff, Blennerhassett Chapter Regent, and Cheryl Haight, Northern District Director. All spoke at the event.

## Buford Chapter NSDAR Celebrates 100 Years



(L-R) Shirley Dudley, Buford Chapter Regent; Mary Frisch, Kansas State Regent; Charla Nutter, West Virginia State Regent; and Ginger Nalley, West Virginia Honorary State Regent.

On June 4<sup>th</sup>, the Buford Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, located in Huntington, West Virginia, celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. On June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1910, the chapter was organized by Minnie Walker Geiger who became its first regent.

The day-long celebration began with a brunch at the Guyan Country Club in Huntington. More than 100 members and their guests were in attendance. The special guests were Charla Nutter, WVDAR State Regent; Shirley Gilkeson and Ginger Nalley, Honorary West Virginia State Regents; Mary Frisch, Kansas State Regent and associate member of Buford Chapter; Rita Laishley, WV State Corresponding Secretary; Betsy Sales, WV State Librarian; Kay Craig, Western District Director; Mary Blaine McLaughlin, Regent, John Young Chapter; and Kathleen Bledsoe, Regent, Westmoreland Chapter.

At the brunch, Patricia Daugherty, past Regent of the Buford Chapter, presented Elizabeth Vaziri with a Historical Preservation Award. She created a one-hour video of interviews of World War II veterans. A National Committee selected her application for the award.

During the afternoon of June 4<sup>th</sup>, the Buford Chapter hosted an open house at their log cabin in Ritter Park in Huntington. Copies of the recently published *History of the Buford Chapter* were sold. Over eighty members and guests attended this event.

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## Col. Zackquill Morgan Chapter Marks Flag Day

The Colonel Zackquill Morgan Chapter, Morgantown DAR had a very busy Flag Day on June 14, 2011. We began the day in the morning by conducting a Grave Marking at East Oak Grove Cemetery for two of our members we tragically lost 4 years ago, Frankie Cline and Kathleen Cline.



Following the services at the cemetery we traveled to the Woodland Church in Morgantown, where we hosted a joint Flag Day luncheon with the Hagans-Evans and Woodburn Chapters. Noted guests in attendance were Charla Nutter/State Regent DAR, Ginger Nalley/ Honorary State Regent, Jean Ann Elliott/ Honorary Past State Regent, Sally Ann Greenfield/ Shenandoah Valley Chapter, Sylvia Rhodes/Shenandoah Valley Chapter, Fern Nutter/ Colonel William Lowther Chapter, Nancy Kornegay/ Peters Mountain Chapter, and Kathy Robertson/ Peters Mountain Chapter.

In the afternoon, we presented the Friendship Manor with a new American Flag to replace their old one that was in bad condition. Following the flag presentation at Friendship Manor, we traveled to a location where the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 306, were having a Flag retirement service. The Vietnam Veterans hold this service annually and we retired the flag we had just removed from the Manor along with many more. Those attending as well as the host were the DAR, American Legion Post 2 and other guests. This is all about honoring our flag and our country.



(L-R) Nancy Smith, Dorcas Davis, Chapter Regent Sandy Theis, and Rebecca Davis.

## John Hart Chapter Officers Travel to Crossnore School

John Hart Chapter Regent Barbara McCreary, Vice Regent Mary Anger, and Treasurer Barbara Tedford were given a tour of Crossnore School, in Crossnore, North Carolina, on July 16, by public relations director Melynda Pepple. Barbara Tedford's husband, Sidney, was also on the trip.

All were impressed with the attractive wooded campus, the comfortable cottages for the children, the well-equipped library and classrooms, and the resident counselors who ably care for the students.



(L-R) Mary Anger, Barbara McCreary, and Barbara Tedford in their John Hart Chapter shirts.

A highlight of the trip was a performance of the outdoor drama, "Miracle on the Mountain," based on the memoir by Dr. Mary Martin Sloop, the DAR member who founded the school in 1913 as a Christian boarding school for impoverished mountain and sometimes orphaned children. It is one of the schools that NSDAR continues to support.

The trip was the second of the summer for John Hart Chapter members, four of whom celebrated West Virginia Day, June 20, with a tour of Prickett's Fort. Three of Mary Anger's granddaughters also went on that trip.

The custom of John Hart members traveling to historic sites in the summer began in June 2010, when six of them toured the Frontier Culture Museum outside Staunton, Virginia.

# Chapter News

## Pack Horse Ford Chapter News



Our "DAR Daughters Team" Captain, Polly Wharton, with the Bronze Award we won for raising over \$2,500 for the Jefferson County Relay for Life.

In between visits from family and trips to interesting places, Pack Horse Ford Chapter members had a busy summer filled with activities and fellowship.

In early June, chapter members and their HODARs gathered at Kathy Klein's home in Shepherdstown for a picnic. The speaker for the evening was Jack Snyder, President of the Duffields Station, Inc. He talked about the Duffields Train Station, the oldest surviving purpose-built combined freight and passenger rail station in the country, and the efforts to restore the historic building. Also, State Chairman of the Conservation Committee Margaret Writt and chapter Conservation Committee member Penny Hoeflinger presented the NSDAR Conservation Award to Peter Smith, President of the Potomac Valley Audubon Society.

At the end of June, chapter members, friends and family participated in the Jefferson County Relay for Life. Women's Issues Chairman Polly Wharton led the "DAR Daughters Team" in raising over \$2,500 to help find a cure for cancer. The team received a Bronze Award for its fundraising efforts.

A few days later, chapter members travelled to Washington, DC on a chapter-sponsored bus to attend a day of Continental Congress. They enjoyed the "Rhododendron Breakfast" and the Heritage Club brunch with other Daughters, attended various committee meetings, toured the DAR Museum and Library, and visited the West Virginia Period Room.

On the Fourth of July, chapter members celebrated by participat-

ing in the Shepherdstown parade. They also placed U.S. flags in cemeteries and rang bells in churches.

Perhaps the greatest accomplishment of the summer was the successful hosting of the Eastern District meeting on August 13. Over 30 chapter members and six HODARs contributed their time and talents to making the meeting at the historic Entler Hotel and luncheon at the Bavarian Inn memorable occasions.

## Trans-Allegheny Chapter News

Trans-Allegheny Chapter members, along with members of the Michael Kerns Fort Society C.A.R., celebrated a "Hawaiian Luau" for the West Virginia Veterans Nursing Home residents in Clarksburg on Saturday, July 9.

While Hawaiian music played, the youth, dressed in hula skirts and Hawaiian shirts and shorts, placed Hawaiian leis on each on the residents and their guests and greeted them with "Aloha." Tables were decorated with miniature palm trees. Afterward, the youth performed original hula dances choreographed by Libby Bowman and dancers performed with rain sticks. Intermittently, all participants sang along to songs sung by the late Don Ho – "Tiny Bubbles," "A Lei Ke Lei Lei," and "Pearly Shells."

Trans-Allegheny Daughters and staff served the residents cupcakes iced in tropical colors and decorated with beach umbrellas and served pink lemonade drinks with festive straws.



Front Row: Made Adeniyi, Taylor Sizemore, Camille Sutton, Satira Scalise, Hannah Dunn. Back Row: Kelly Goodwin, Theresa Blake, Donna Henline, Rebecca Davis, Esther Duncan, Patricia Goodwin, Christina Rumbach, and Kathie Kemper.

Two Trans-Allegheny Chapter members, Kelly Goodwin and Pat Goodwin, received recognition from West Virginia State DAR State Regent Charla Nutter during the 2011 WVDAR Central District Meeting for being the winners of the NSDAR East Central District Program Contest.

# Chapter News

The mother-in law/daughter-in-law team created the winning program "Native American Storytellers," inspired from both of their backgrounds in regard to Native Americans. Pat Goodwin stated: "When I was an elementary and high school student, I became acquainted with the Native American cultures in Oklahoma and Alaska, and became friends with many. Later in life, my husband and I traveled to the Southwest and during our travels I began collecting clay pottery "storytellers." These pottery pieces portray the open-mouthed Native American, usually the grandfather or tribal historian, with children sitting on every available space on his/her legs, arms, shoulders, etc. These pieces of pottery are hand-painted in colorful Southwestern hues of beige, coral, and turquoise and signed by the artist."

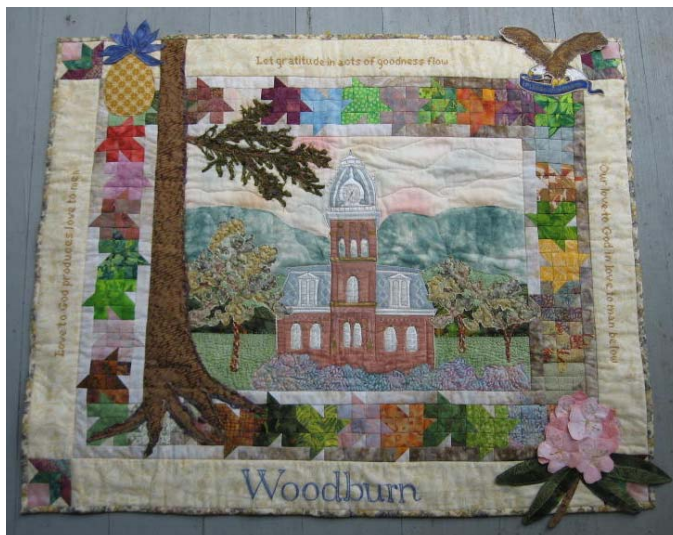
In August 2010, Kelly Goodwin cruised the inner passage waterways of Alaska aboard a liner that had invited a Quileute Native American storyteller to perform and share Native American tales/histories of Northwestern United States. When asked how the storyteller inspired her to work on the program, she stated: "The stories which the Quileute tribe's historian revealed of the Native American beliefs about nature, animals, and tribal leaders and how Native Americans respect all creations in their natural environment were very interesting and I thought NSDAR would appreciate a program about them because of their historical significance."



Pat and Kelly Goodwin with their 1st Place certificates

Since NSDAR recognizes November each year as Native American month, the creative duo began coordinating the script, graphics, music, and photographs for the presentation. Kelly's daughter Tabitha Goodwin, a DAR member and a senior at Glenville State College, assisted them with the technical aspects of the nineteen-minute digital program. "Native American Storytellers" debuted at the Trans-Allegheny Chapter's November 2010 meeting. By winning one of six National district awards, the East Central District, NSDAR has reserved the right to duplicate the winning programs for all chapters in the United States and abroad to use for a meeting's program.

## Woodburn Wallhanging Awarded First Place



During the American Heritage Committee meeting at Continental Congress in June, Joan Gibson, Woodburn Chapter Vice Regent and State Chairman, American Indians Committee, was awarded a certificate as the First Place Winner for Fiber Arts/Wall Hanging entitled "Woodburn." She also received a winning certificate from the East Central Division. The mixed media quilted piece was presented to State Regent Ginger Nalley at the end of the 2010 State Conference by Woodburn Regent Frances Van Scoy in appreciation for her help in creating the Woodburn Chapter.

The 27 x 33" piece features a painted and appliquéd Woodburn Hall surrounded by a border of pieced maple leaves. An "oak" to the left bears the chapter name and date of approval. The pineapple in the upper left represents President General Linda Calvin's symbol and the upper right has a painted and appliquéd rendition of Ginger's State Project Pin. The lower right bears a 3 dimensional Rhododendron. The name, "Woodburn" is embroidered across the bottom and the verse from the West Virginia sampler is done in gold counted cross-stitch on the other 3 sides.

Reminder:

Deadline for items for the  
Spring Issue is Feb 1, 2012

# DATES TO REMEMBER



- **October 23, 2011**  
4:00 p.m. Rooms at the J. W. Marriott can begin to be reserved for the 2012 Continental Congress
- **December 1, 2011**  
Deadline for Chapter Treasurers to submit National and State Dues
- **December 15, 2011**  
Deadline for submittal of chapter nominations of Outstanding Teacher of American History to State Historian, Geri Jackson
- **January 27, 2012**  
Deadline for the American History Essay Contest chapter winners to State Chairman, Diana Johnson
- **January 27, 2012**  
Deadline for Chapters to send their Good Citizen school winners to Randi Gray, State Chairman
- **February 1, 2012**  
Deadline to submit Chapter Achievement Award forms to Betty Belcher, State Chairman  
Deadline to submit items for the Spring Issue of *WVDAR News* to Susan Arnold, Editor
- **February 3, 2012**  
Deadline for submission of Fiber Arts entries for the American Heritage contest to Katy Keith, State Chairman
- **February 17, 2012**  
Cut-off date for entry into the electronic Master Questionnaire (E-MQ)
- **May 4, 2012**  
All reports due to State Recording Secretary for inclusion in Proceedings for the 2012 State Conference—State Officers, State Chairmen, District Directors and Chapter Regents
- **May 18-20, 2012**  
107th WVDAR State Conference, South Charleston, Western District

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