



West Virginia DAR News

National Theme: "Moving Forward in Service to America"
State Theme: "Shining Stars of Service"

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Message from the State Regent

Dear West Virginia Daughters,

What a wonderful DAR year West Virginia has had over the past twelve months. The state conference hosted by the ladies of the Western District was a huge success and the awards received by the state society and individuals at Continental Congress were wonderful. A very special congratulation goes to *Vicky Shears, State Americanism Chairman* for her nomination of Katherine Johnson as the DAR Medal of Honor Recipient. This is the highest award given to a non-DAR member and we are proud to have Katherine Johnson as a native of West Virginia!

A really big thanks goes to all *five District Directors* for a job well done in preparing the meetings for this year and to the chapters who served as hostesses. I hope that the information that was shared will help you by the state officers and state chairmen will help in preparing for the upcoming year. The attendance at the meetings was a wonderful and I want to thank all of you who were able to come to the meetings. I would like to say "Thank You" to all of those who have given generously to the State Regent's Project over the past year. Your giving to these projects mean the world to me.

If your chapter has not created a chapter web page please check into doing so and linking it with the state website this will allow for the sharing of information when prospective members are seeking a chapter. The other good news is the addition of a member's only Facebook page for the West Virginia DAR. Please check this out and join the group.

Please remember to mark your calendars for April 20-22, 2018. This will be our State Conference. The meeting will be held at Canaan Valley Resort and will be hosted by the ladies of the Central District. The next Continental Congress will be held June 20 – June 24, 2018.

Again, thank you for making the summer successful and I look forward to meeting with many of you over the next few months as we begin a new DAR year.

Shining in DAR,

Mindy

Malinda (Mindy) Davis,
WVDAR State Regent

From the State Officers



TIPS FOR TREASURERS

- ⇒ **The Dues Invoicer** - 2017-2018 is available in the Updates section of eMembership. Instructions, a chapter dues worksheet, the final invoice and miscellaneous forms are available there for your use. Submit your chapter's National dues to the Office of the Organizing Secretary General by December 1st. Let's be 100% on time this year!
- ⇒ Submit your chapter's **State and State Conference dues and National and State contributions** with the WVDAR 2017-2018 Chapter Treasurer's Report to the State Treasurer by November 1st. *Please remember to include State Conference dues (\$1) for the number of members shown in your chapter's Membership Counts Report in eMembership, regardless of whether that number of individuals has paid dues for the upcoming year.* A copy of your chapter's audited or reviewed 2016 financial statement and 2016 IRS filing must accompany the report.
- ⇒ **The President General's Project** amount per member is \$2.50 per year or \$7.50 for 3 years. The membership count date for the Dillon Administration is January 1, 2017. Check your chapter's payment progress at the President General's Project 100% Status report on eMembership. Congratulations to the James Wood, Peters Mountain and Trans-Allegheny Chapters on achieving 100%.
- ⇒ Ensure checks for individual contributions to the **State Regent's Project** over \$100 are made payable to the State Treasurer, WVDAR. Be sure to include contact information for the contributing person when submitting the check to the State Treasurer. The State Regent will acknowledge each of these contributions with a letter.

*Cheryl Brown,
State Treasurer*



***WVDAR 2018 State Conference
Hotel Reservation Information
Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center
April 20-22, 2018***

Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center is NOW accepting reservations for our 2018 WVDAR State Conference!

Go to this link <https://secure.canaanresort.com/V1WebControls/Custom/GroupLogin.aspx>

Enter group id and password

Click "make a reservation"

Click on the actual calendar the dates of stay (the computer will calculate your checkout date in a later screen) – room options will appear to the right, complete information for reservation. **Do not use the drop down boxes to select dates.**

Group ID: 16862

Passcode: 37001813

Online booking is available for your attendees during your block dates only. If someone would like to book outside the block dates please have them contact our reservations department at 1-304-866-4121 ext. 7701

From the State Officers

Monumental Monuments

We in the DAR know how important it is to preserve our history. It has come to my attention that our chapters are losing their own histories.

Chapters have worked hard to place monuments, mark graves, and plant trees. As a society predicated on historic preservation, it is important to preserve this information for posterity.

We have a history book "A Comprehensive History of the West Virginia State Society NSDAR" which was published during Honorary State Regent Shirley Gilkeson's 2004-2007 administration. Many of these various tributes are listed, but the location of several is unknown and more have been placed since this publication.

Please refer to this book, locate the monuments or memorials and make record of each one plus any not listed. I would like to see a picture, a map of their location and some history concerning this each one, such as the example below:



The Daniel Boone marker was first planned during the Regency of Mrs. W.D. Sell with Mrs. Fannie Wilson Field, Chairman of the committee to plan and finance the marker. It was unveiled on October 27, 1928. The marker was first located on the Midland Trail near Snow Hill, about five miles east of Charleston.

With the permission of the Kanawha Valley Chapter, it was moved to its present location in 1985 by the City of Charleston. The marker is made of a block of Indiana limestone weighing four tons and standing five feet tall on a base four feet square.

When you have this information, you can email me at DAR.AprilGardner@yahoo.com, or post it on the WVDAR State Historian Face Book page for everyone to enjoy. If you do not have access to a computer, you can mail it to me at the following address: April Gardner, 411 West Virginia Avenue, Dunbar, WV 25064.

If you are interested in cemeteries, please visit my Face Book page, [West Virginia Cemeteries](#). There you can share and read stories about graves throughout our state.

I am looking forward to hearing from you!

April Gardner,
State Historian

The deadline for "Outstanding Teacher of American History" is **November 30, 2017**. Last year's WVDAR winner, Daniel Cosgrove, was nominated by the Elk River Chapter. Let's recognize our local teachers by submitting them for this Outstanding award!

Welcome New Members!

Please welcome the following new members that were approved by the National Board of Management at their meetings in April, July, August, September and October 2017. *Listed by Chapter, Alphabetically, by Month approved.

Member-At-Large

Barbara Sue Oakes VanZant

Anne Bailey Chapter

Kathryn Ann Phillips
Marsha Dell Wisniewski

Bee Line Chapter

Joanne Cembrook
Susan McFadden
Victoria Via
Mary Supplee
Delores Clark

Blennerhassett Chapter

Doris June Fitzpatrick
Brenda Duncan
Nona Janks
Christina Masters
Deloris Cooper

Captain James Allen Chapter

Lisa Dawn Jackson
Barbara Wiseman

Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter

Beth Ann Stinnett
Karen Wheeler

Colonel Morgan Morgan Chapter

Barbara Williams Channell

Colonel William Lowther Chapter

Shawna Elizabeth Williams

Colonel Zackquill Morgan Chapter

Elizabeth Price Satterfield

Elk River Chapter

Tara Leigh Bragg



John Hart Chapter

Elaine Hogan Valentine
Frances Von Shilling
Sue Scott Coussoule
Karen Scott Hern
Crystal Warner Gibson

John Young Chapter

Karen Sue Henson Bibbee
Linda Sue Simmons Carper

Kanawha Valley Chapter

Karen McKinney Baisi
Jane Gaye Charnock
Nancy Gill Shifflet
Michelle Hall Kirkland

Matthew French Chapter

Amanda Brewster
Madeleine Brewster

Old Hickory Chapter

Pamela McCullum Jones
Jo Ann Stevenson McHenry
Priscilla Kelley Parsons
Shirley Carpenter Catalano
Leota Boggess Faber

Pack Horse Ford Chapter

Lois Tabler Kimble
Taylor Elise Fritz
Jessica Ann Schmitt

Peters Mountain Chapter

Susan Richmond Steitz
Virginia Post Buttel

South Branch Valley Chapter

Betty See Runion

Westmoreland Chapter

Jamie Glyn Meddings
Pina Meade Meddings
Linda Rumbaugh LeMaster

Wheeling Chapter

Jessica Ann Perrin

State Clubs

WV Cameo Club



The WVDAR Cameo Club enjoyed a lovely luncheon at the Embassy Suites in Charleston during State Conference on Friday, May 5, 2017. Much appreciation is extended to the **Old Hickory Chapter** who hosted the event and provided lovely decorations and wooden acorn favors! Special thanks are extended to **Elizabeth Satterwhite** who volunteered to be our Cameo Club official photographer. In addition to a delicious lunch and a brief meeting, new Cameo Club members were welcomed and were presented their certificates. The members also voted to expand club membership beyond the traditional mother and daughter connections to include sisters, grandmothers & granddaughters, and aunts & nieces.

We look forward to the next Cameo Club Luncheon at the 2018 WVDAR State Conference which will be held at Canaan Valley Resort on Friday, April 20, 2018. The **Colonel Zackquill Morgan Chapter** will host this event.

Membership in the Cameo Club is open to any member of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution who can show current active membership in conjunction with a mother/daughters, grandmother/granddaughters, aunt/nieces or sisters. The one-time fee of \$30 per applicant is the cost of lifetime membership. Please contact the Cameo Club Registrar, Cheryl A. Brown Frankk5600@aol.com for an application.

New members approved by April 1, 2018 will be presented their certificates at the 2018 luncheon.



NEW MEMBERS COURSE

Four West Virginia Daughters were awarded certificates at the State Conference in Charleston for their completion of the New Members Course! They are:

- Georgette Ward - Elizabeth Zane Chapter
- Geneal Bailey - Old Hickory Chapter
- Joanna McKown - Old Hickory Chapter
- Vickie Baker - Old Hickory Chapter

National and State Committees

State Membership Committee



Are You As Smart As a New Member?

**These are a few of the almost 70 *New Members Course* TRUE/FALSE Questions
New Members must answer accurately. TRUE or FALSE?**

1. _____ The Insignia Committee is the oldest DAR committee.
2. _____ It is appropriate to wear your insignia with jeans when attending a DAR meeting.
3. _____ It is appropriate, as part of a fundraiser, for a chapter to sell DAR pins that were donated to the chapter to DAR members who are eligible to wear the pin.
4. _____ Any member and/or guests of a member can attend Continental Congress.
5. _____ All voters and alternates must pre-register through their chapter for Continental Congress.
6. _____ "Meaningful Community Service" is serving as a youth leader in a scouting organization.
7. _____ "Meaningful Community Service" is travel time to and from a community service activity.
8. _____ "Meaningful Community Service" is presenting programs to outside groups but NOT DAR chapters.
9. _____ The Sate Regent must give approval for all chapter Facebook and Social Media sites before they are created and used.
10. _____ A Chapter Newsletter may be posted on a closed Facebook page.
11. _____ It is never appropriate to sell items or raise funds on a Facebook page, even if it is closed or secret.
12. _____ Memorial Continental Hall was designated as a Registered National Historic Landmark for its role in hosting the Conference on the Limitation of Armaments in the wake of WWI (1921).
13. _____ The Americana Room has a complete collection of all of the signatures of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution.
14. _____ Before submitting a compiled set of Bible records to the NSDAR Genealogical Records Committee, your chapter or state must first compile a complete volume of 100 pages of Bible records.
15. _____ When citing a census record on page 3 of an application, it is sufficient to note just the year of the Census.
16. _____ The DAR Electronic Application is to be filled out by the chapter registrar for the applicant.
17. _____ It is appropriate to clean a tombstone with bleach after watering it down.
18. _____ Membership in C.A.R. is automatically transferred to DAR upon the 18th birthday of a young lady who is a member in good standing in C.A.R.

Questions? Contact Chris Painter, State Membership Chairperson,
chrispainter1966@gmail.com

What a great program for your Chapter! How many can you answer correctly?

National and State Committees

State Regent's Project— Gold Star Mothers' Memorial

Since the launch of our campaign for the Gold Star Mothers' Memorial, the West Virginia Daughters have aimed for the stars with donations and fund raising projects from numerous state chapters. We are excited to announce that the fund is now over \$10,000!

We are still asking all daughters to donate \$1.67 a month for the 36 months of Mindy's term. Again this comes to only \$20.00 per year. So please contribute to this worthwhile dedication to our West Virginia Gold Star Mothers who have given so much for our country.

There are three levels for outstanding donations.
They are as follows:

Gold Star Burst Donor – for a donation of \$1,000.00

Silver Star Burst Donor – for a donation of \$500.00

Bronze Star Burst Donor – for a donation of \$250.00

We are happy to report that we already have donors in these categories. These donors will be listed in the State Conference Program with special recognition given to them at the Conference. Please share your special fundraising projects to our Committee Chairman, Samantha Shleser at DAR.SamanthaShleser@yahoo.com or 304-673-4412.

The committee will be giving a report on our progress at the State Conference 2018.

Thank you, WV Daughters, for your shining services to this Project!

***Are you on Facebook?
Ask to join our WVDAR (Daughter of the American Revolution
Members Only) Facebook page!!***

National and State Committees

State Regent's Project— Gold Star Mothers' Memorial “Book of Remembrance”



We are creating a “Book of Remembrance” which will list names of Gold Star Mothers and will be given to the WV Cultural Center for posterity.

Pat Daugherty and Mary Johnson are co-chairing this project.

The cost of having a Gold Star Mother added to the book is \$10.00 per name. This donation will help to fund the cost of the printing and binding of the book. The form for this donation is available with all Chapter Regents and on the WVDAR Facebook Page.

Mothers who have lost a son or daughter in service to our country are eligible for inclusion in the “Book of Remembrance”. The time period begins with The Battle of Point Pleasant in 1774 to present day. This also includes Union and Confederate Soldiers of the Civil War. This book is not limited to West Virginia Mothers.

You are also permitted to advertise the creation of this Book of Remembrance in your local newspapers to ensure that your don't miss any Gold Star Mothers from your area!

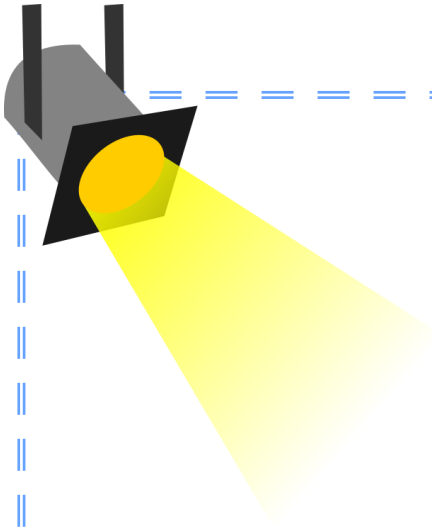
If you have any questions, please contact one of our committee members listed below:

Samantha Shleser	304.673.4412
Debi Smith	304.830.0022
Cheryl Brown	304.876.3817
April Gardner	304.993.7777
Jewell Field	304.923.9345
Brenda Shinkovich	304.278.5573
Pat Daugherty	304.525.4454
Mary Johnson	304.343.1244

Thank you Daughters for supporting this wonderful project!

National and State Committees

Chapter Development & Revitalization Commission



CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT & REVITALIZATION COMMISSION ENTERTAINS

The CD&R Commission presented a skit, “Every Chapter DAR Meeting” at three District meetings. Those Commission members who were able to participate included: Ruth Mooney, Jane Larke, Brenda Chevront, Lee Eddy, Chris Painter and Margie Ways.

In addition, the skit could not have happened without the help of DAR friends. WV Daughters who willingly joined the cast at various District meetings included: Debi Smith, Susie Rogers, Charla Nutter, Carolyn Kesterson, Cheryl Haught, Brenda Durham, Pat Daugherty, Mary Edith Johnson, Kathy Bowling, Martha Miller, Brenda Shinkovich and Betty Knicley.

Thank you all for adding to the fun!

Has your email changed? Contact our VIS at
wvdar.jlarke@gmail.com

National and State Committees

American Heritage

Many thanks to all of you who entered the American Heritage Contest last year. I am thrilled to report that WVDAR had three National Third Place winners. The winners were: **Ann Hazlett, Art & Sculpture – Oil, Wheeling Chapter; Georgette Ward, Fiber Arts Quilts – Machine Made, Elizabeth Zane Chapter, and Linda Hall – Fiber Arts Crochet, Kanawha Valley Chapter.** You can read more about their entries by going to the American Heritage Committee web page. You will also find their pictures listed under contest winners.

The American Heritage Committee was established to preserve our rich American heritage in the fields of art and sculpture, crafts, drama and literature, fiber arts, and music. Members are invited to participate in the various contests conducted by this committee.

Below is information pertaining to the “*American Heritage*” Committee for the 2017-2018 DAR Year. This year’s theme is “*Moving Family Traditions Forward with the Arts*”

Consider entering the following contests:

Evelyn Cole Peters Awards for Excellence

Established in honor of Mrs. Albert G. Peters, the first national chair of the American Heritage Committee, these awards may be given in recognition of excellence in any of the contest categories.

All entries must be postmarked between January 2, 2018 and February 14, 2018.

· **Art and Sculpture** entries are to be sent to: Kathryn Bowling, 1323 Summit Drive #D, Charleston, WV 25302. E-mail: DAR.KathieBowling@yahoo.com

· **Crafts, Clay, Metal Works and Jewelry** entries are to be sent to: Julia Gates, P.O. Box 932, Martinsburg, WV 25402. E-Mail: jgates@k12.wv.us

· **Fiber Arts** entries are to be sent to: Marjorie Allen, Route 2, Box 22C, Lindside. WV 24951. E-Mail: allenrallen@gmail.net

Music, Drama and Literature entries are to be sent to: Patricia (Pat) Bills, 204 Sun Street, Belmont, WV 26134. E-Mail: 1967patjoanne@suddenlink.net

General Contest Information

Please read all instructions thoroughly. ALL entries must be accompanied by the American Heritage Contest Entry Form. **You MUST send a duplicate Contest Entry Form to your state chair.** Entries will not be accepted if transmitted electronically.

All entries must be completed by a member of the NSDAR, while a member of the NSDAR. No one can submit another person's work or sign a contest entry form on behalf of another Daughter.

A contest entry form must be submitted with each entry. **You must send a copy of your entry form me as the State Chairman. My address is listed below.**

Further information can be found through the NIP or contact me at JMcclel471@aol.com and I will answer your questions. I am looking forward to receiving a copy of all the 2017-18 entries in our American Heritage Contests.

Joan McClelland
WV State Chairman, American Heritage
1933 Decatur Ave.
Wheeling, WV 26003

National and State Committees

Blanche L. Reymann Scholarship



Davis & Elkins Senior Receives Annual Reymann Scholarship at Central District Meeting

On August 26, 2016, Tiffany M.F. Dodd, a student at Davis & Elkins College, was presented with the 2017-2018 Blanche L. Reymann State Scholarship at the Central District Meeting at the Lambert Winery in Weston. She plans to use the \$1000 award to pay for the exams and fees to get her secondary education teaching certificate.

Ms. Dodd is the daughter of Dwayne and Lisa Dodd of Petersburg, West Virginia. She is a graduate of Petersburg High School. In addition to pursuing a math major and education minor, Tiffany is also a member of Chi Beta Phi (Honorary Math and Science), the current president and past vice president of Kappa Delta Pi (Honorary Education), current member and past treasurer of Baptist Campus Ministries, past vice president of the Student Education Association, past vice president and current president of the Nation Society of Leadership Success, a member of the Davis & Elkins Choir, and a math tutor at the Naylor Learning Center. Additionally, she has received the Promising Teach Award from the Davis & Elkins Education Department.

The West Virginia State Society, NSDAR awards the scholarship annually to a female student who is entering her senior year in one of the West Virginia private colleges and universities. She must also be in her upper one-third of her class, academically. The Reymann Scholarship rotates among several private colleges and universities in the Mountain State. The 2018-2019 Blanche L. Reymann State Scholarship will be awarded to a student from the University of Charleston in Charleston, West Virginia.

Lisa McNeil,
State Chairman

Chapter News

Elizabeth Zane Chapter WVDAR

Presents an Educational Trip to Historic Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA



Your 2 Day/1 Night Package Includes:

- 1 Night Hotel Accommodations
- 1 Breakfast at Your Hotel
- 1 Dinner in Philadelphia



Guided Tour of the Museum of the American Revolution

The rumblings of the American Revolution began more than a decade before the "shot heard 'round the world" ignited America's War for Independence. Discover how the American Colonists became Revolutionaries as the roots of rebellion took hold.

Admission to the National Constitution Center

Step inside America's most hands on history museum and be immersed in the extraordinary story of "We the People" and inspired by what it means to be American. The Center is an essential part of the Historic Philadelphia Experience.

Guided Tour of Historic Philadelphia

Explore the city that forged a nation, To Include Sights (as time permits) such as: the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall, where the Constitution and Declaration of Independence were signed.

Visit the Reading Market Terminal & Enjoy a Famous "Philly Cheesesteak"

(on your own)

- Standard Taxes, Meal Gratuities and Baggage Handling
- Deluxe Motor Coach Transportation

For Information and/or Reservations, Please Contact:

Carolyn Crozier @ 304-472-1469 or

Georgette Ward @ 304-472-7155

Trip Date: March 15-16, 2018

Price: \$369.00 Per Person – Double Occupancy

A \$50.00 deposit per person is due at time of reservation, no later than December 15, 2017. The final balance is due February 2, 2018.

Travel Protection: Travel Protection can be purchased at \$51.00/person – Double Occupancy. If you wish to purchase Travel Protection, please send in a separate check made payable to PML Travel & Tours. Travel Protection should be purchased at the time of your initial deposit to ensure full benefits.

Insurance premiums are non-refundable.

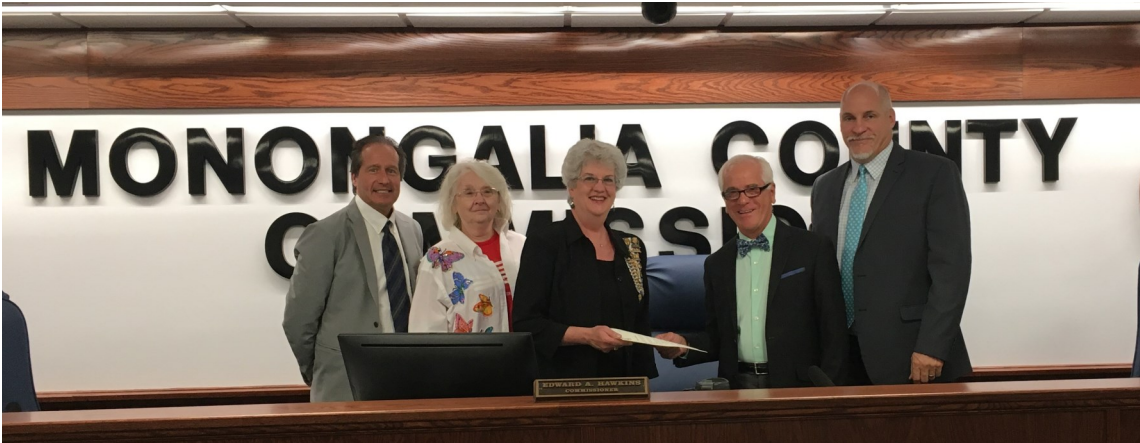


Chapter News

Elizabeth Ludington Hagans-Colonel John Evans Chapter

The Elizabeth Ludington Hagans – Colonel John Evans Chapter, NSDAR commemorated the 230th Anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution with several events. Constitution Week began with Bells Across America at 4:00 PM on Sunday, September 17th. Members of all three Morgantown chapters gathered at the statue of Col. Zackquill Morgan on Spruce Street to ring bells at the precise time that the U.S. Constitution was signed in 1787. They were joined by the pealing of the bells at Spruce Street United Methodist Church. Throughout the week, Constitution Week-themed posters were displayed at various businesses throughout the town.

On Wednesday, September 20th, Regent Susan Arnold and the Colonel Zackquill Morgan Chapter Regent, Rebecca Davis, paid a visit to the Monongalia County Commission meeting to have a Proclamation signed and issued declaring the week of September 17-23 as Constitution Week in Monongalia County. Part of this proclamation stated that “in Monongalia County, we encourage all citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties.”



Rebecca Davis and Susan Arnold with Monongalia County Commissioners Tom Bloom, Ed Hawkins, and Sean Sikora.

The highlight of the week was a tri-chapter luncheon that was hosted by the Hagans-Evans Chapter at the Village at Heritage Point on Saturday, September 23rd and attended by 26 people. Jack Bowman, Law Professor Emeritus at West Virginia University, was the speaker, and he presented a captivating talk on “Why History Matters.” He talked about the challenges that the framers of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution faced to provide us with the freedoms that we enjoy today. He also emphasized the importance of teaching history to our children and grandchildren, not just through facts, but with stories and field trips to historical places. He cautioned more than once, “those who cannot remember the past are doomed to repeat it.” A lively question and answer session followed his presentation.



Seated: Linda Collins and Ann VanVoorhis. Standing L to R: Anna Chandler, Anne Smittle, Esther Starkey, Stephanie Burns, Brenda Shinkovich, Nancy Diener, Vicky Shears, Susan Arnold, Rita Laishley and Carolyn Bahnsen.

Chapter News

Elk River Chapter

Elk River Chapter Sponsors State Award Winner



WV DAR's Outstanding Teacher of American History Dan Cosgrove (center) with Elk River Chapter Regent Meg Ashby, Vice Regent Ruth Mooney, NSDAR Curator General Barbara

Dan Cosgrove, a teacher at Calhoun County Middle/High School in Mt. Zion, received the West Virginia Daughters of the American Revolution's highest state educator honor: The Outstanding Teacher of American History Award. April Gardner, State Historian, and Malinda Davis, WVSDAR State Regent, presented the award to Mr. Cosgrove at the West Virginia State DAR Conference held at the Embassy Suites in Charleston May 6. This award recognizes a notable, full-time teacher of American History in public, private and parochial schools, grades 5-12.

Nominated by the Elk River Chapter of the DAR in Gassaway, Mr. Cosgrove has demonstrated his excellence in "sharing an incisive knowledge of American History," commitment to his students, fostering patriotism and loyal support of the U.S., "relating history to modern life and events," and "requiring high academic standards at all times from their students."

Besides teaching, Mr. Cosgrove is known for providing educational opportunities for his students. He organizes the National Geography Bee, the Social Studies Fair, and National History Day for Calhoun County. His students have "briefed state senators in legislative meetings, interviewed significant historical people (i.e. an original Freedom Rider) and governmental officials, completed a national Preamble challenge, and competed in essay contests and a variety of other educational projects." His students have won the Golden Horseshoe, won regional and state honors in the state Social Studies Fairs and National History Day competitions. In the 2015 Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Competition, his students won the State Championship by including history in their project. His students are also the most prolific group in the state that made it to a national history competition for the last four years. His 2017 State Winners competed nationally in Maryland in June.

Chapter News

Old Hickory Chapter

The Old Hickory Chapter of Jackson County, met on September 2, 2017 at the Ripley Library to celebrate our 5 Year Anniversary at our Dues Tea. A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed with 26 members and 5 guests. We began our chapter with 42 members and have grown to 75 members with 2 pending.

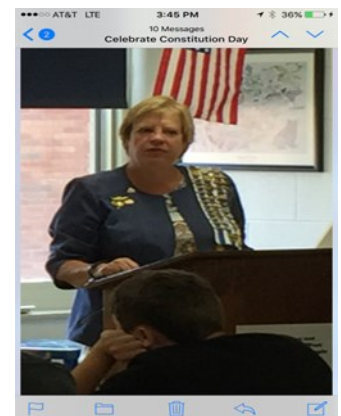


Sandra Isner-Johnson, Regent presenting our Patriot Award to Clara Mullins for her work to develop our Old Hickory Newsletter and our Chapter Facebook page.

The Old Hickory Chapter attended the September 18, 2017 Naturalization Ceremony in Charleston. Those that attended from our chapter are: Carolyn Flinn, Sandra “Cookey” Gunther; Vice Regent, U.S. District Court Judge Joe Goodwin, Marjorie Parsons; Historian, and Geneal Bailey; Registrar. Congratulations to Jackson County’s newest American citizen, Barbara Voiers.



The Old Hickory Chapter was invited, by Jo Boggess-Phillips, to address her senior students at the Ripley High School during Constitution Week. Brenda Chevront, State Registrar represented our chapter. We discussed family history, genealogy, what country your family may have immigrated from, and why we celebrate the Constitution of the United States. We shared family stories and YES, I found 2 young men that are descendants of Col. Morgan Morgan and then to his son, Col. Zackquill Morgan! Jo Boggess-Phillips has a love and passion for history and her love of the United States of America, it was a pleasure to participate.



Chapter News

Old Hickory Chapter



Special Project...

Captain Schuyler VanBuren of the 82nd Airborne, currently serving in Afghanistan, has made a special request of the DAR. VanBuren is the son of our 1st Vice President General, Denise Doring VanBuren. His goal is to collect 180 flags in order that each soldier on the post can bring home a flag that flew during his tour of duty. The members of the Old Hickory will be sending an American Flag to Captain Van Buren. He wants 3 x 5 flags that have sewn/embroidered stars on them and of a weather-resistant material as the polyester material will not hold up in the harsh desert sun and wind.

**Deadline for the
December Issue:
Friday, December 8**

Chapter News

Pack Horse Ford Chapter

Nine Pack Horse Ford Chapter members attended the Eastern District meeting on Saturday, September 9 at the Hospice of the Panhandle Facility in Martinsburg, hosted by Bee Line Chapter.



During the meeting, quilt squares were collected from Eastern District Chapters that will be pieced together into a Gold Star Mother quilt for the State Regent. Pack Horse Ford Chapter member Polly Wharton sewed the chapter's patriotic square. Embroidered on the square was the name of one of Shepherdstown's Gold Star Mothers, Anna Lee Reinhart and her son, Sgt. Henry Baylor Reinhart, Jr., who was killed during World War I.



Pack Horse Ford Chapter had their first meeting for the new year on Saturday, September 16 at St. Agnes Parish Center in Shepherdstown. WV C.A.R. State President Taylor Fritz was welcomed as the chapter's newest member.

To recognize Constitution Week, September 17-23, 2017, a Preamble Mix Up Challenge was given to chapter members by Regent Kathy Sholl. Each team of two shared a typed sheet of ten mixed-up phrases, taken from the Preamble of the U.S. Constitution. The object of the challenge was to number the phrases in the correct order as they should appear in the Preamble. After five minutes, members attempted to read the phrases in the correct order, with only a few glitches. At the end of the challenge, members recited the Preamble together as it was originally written.

In other business, the 101st Birthday celebration of Pack Horse Ford Chapter appeared in DAR's September-October American Spirit Supplement. A short article and a group photo of chapter members were published. After the business meeting, members were asked to share an item that "spoke of their heritage." Items such as a quilt, coverlet, a collage of items, a mule shoe, photographs, stories of the past, and other interesting heirlooms were shared. Sharing these treasured items and stories created a bonding of sisterhood and added an appreciation of members' ancestors and heritage.

Chapter News

Shenandoah Valley Chapter



Margie Ways, Regent, and Barby Frankenberry, U.S. Constitution Chapter Chairman, presented a one-act play, "Tea for Two", during their Shenandoah Valley Chapter NSDAR meeting, September 7, 2017.

The play, written by Rena K. Searles of the Jonas Babcock Chapter NSDAR, Spokane, Washington, reflects upon the American Constitutional Convention in 1787. The two characters in the play were Mrs. Elbridge Gerry (Margie Ways), wife of Massachusetts delegate to the U.S. Constitutional Convention and Mrs. John Adams (Barby Frankenberry), wife of the U.S. Minister to England. The Chapter members learned details about what was occurring at the Convention in Philadelphia, PA, and in England!

The Chapter began celebrating and promoting Constitution Week, September 17-23, 2017 on August 31st with a proclamation signing at the Berkeley County Council meeting. Next, members arranged a Constitution display at the Martinsburg-Berkeley County Public Library on Friday, September 1st. An article and picture of the Berkeley County Council proclamation signing appeared in *The Journal*, Martinsburg, WV on September 8th. In this same article, the Shenandoah Valley Chapter encourage the community to visit the library and checkout the display that features actual pictures of all but four of the signers of the U. S. Constitution.

Berkeley County Council - Pictured front row: Jerell Wright, 2nd Vice Regent, Margie Ways, Regent, Barby Frankenberry, Curator General and Constitution Chair, Elaine Mauck, Council member. Second Row: Susanne Horner, Corresponding Secretary, Sally Ann Greenfield, Registrar, and Dan Dulyea, James Barnhart, Jim Whitacre, Council members.



Margie Ways, Regent of the Shenandoah Valley NSDAR and Barby McDonald Frankenberry, Curator General, met a wonderful group of leaders at Spring Mills High School, Wednesday, September 13, 2017 to sign a proclamation. Continuing our proclamation journey, the William Henshaw Chapter joined the Shenandoah Valley Chapter to attend the Martinsburg City Council meeting on Thursday, September 14th for a proclamation signing. A beautiful color picture of this signing appeared on the front page of *The Journal*, Region Section B on Monday, September 18th proclaiming Constitution Week, September 17-23, 2017. The next signing occurred on September 15, 2017. The Musselman High School Student Council Officers were excited to join the Shenandoah Valley Chapter NSDAR by signing a proclamation!



Spring Mills High School



Musselman High School

Chapter News

Shenandoah Valley Chapter

Constitution Day, September 17th

was an honoring experience, as Margie Ways, Regent, Barby Frankenberry, Curator General and Chapter Constitution Chair, and Susanne Horner, Corresponding Secretary met at the Berkeley County Court House with Elaine Mauck, Berkeley County Council woman to ring the Courthouse Bell at 4:00 p.m. On Monday, September 18th, Margie Ways, Chapter Regent and Barby Frankenberry, Curator General met with Blue Ridge Community and Technical College (CTC) to sign a proclamation. This was the second year for Blue Ridge CTC to join the Shenandoah Valley Chapter to proclaim Constitution Week. Next, we partnered with the Arden 4-H Club to celebrate U.S. Constitution Week with a proclamation signing during their, September 20, 2017, meeting. **Barby McDonald Frankenberry**, Shenandoah Valley Chapter NSDAR, U.S. Constitution Week Chairman and Club Leader, spoke to the group about the importance of celebrating our U.S. Constitution! Our final proclamation signing took place on Thursday, September 21st at Martinsburg High School. The Student Council Officers, Advisor, and Principal were on hand to sign the proclamation declaring September 17-23, 2017 Constitution Week!



Arden 4H Club



Blue Ridge Community & Technical College



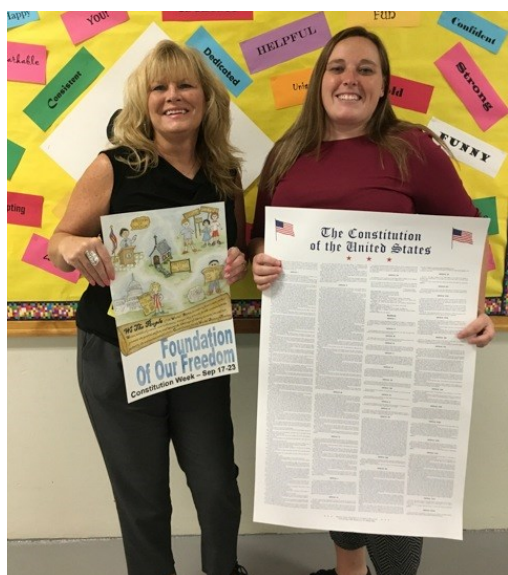
Martinsburg High School



Chapter News

William Henshaw Chapter

In the several days before Constitution Day, September 17, 2017, a team of four William Henshaw Chapter DAR members made special deliveries to seven classrooms in five Berkeley County Schools. They visited with the teachers and left customized bookmarks, posters, and a teacher kit filled with information for lessons, a nicely-bound copy of the Constitution, and templates for student activities. Jessica Hayes, Constitution Week chair, who put it all together, is pictured below, left, with Leah Hite, Hedgesville Middle School teacher. On the right is Junior Member, Jacqueline Dayhuff, with Loria Palmer, Eagle School Intermediate. Regent Nancy Myers and Laura Shifflett were the other members of the Constitution Week visitation team.



On Constitution Day, September 17, 2017, Regent Nancy Myers and Laura Shifflett took part in the Commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of Antietam at the National Cemetery. “From the historic rostrum, we read the names of 160 fallen Union soldiers from West Virginia who, like those from other states, were brought to the cemetery from makeshift burials in the fields, trenches and other byways of battle to receive a decent burial five years after the close of the Civil War,” the Regent said. After reading the name and unit of each soldier, Nancy and Laura placed an American flag at each stone. It was about 5:30 p.m. when Laura pressed the last flag into the sacred ground, for West Virginia was the last state in the roll call. “Our mission accomplished, we looked across the cemetery to see ‘Old Glory’ flying at each grave and could hear taps being played by the brass band.” It was a poignant moment, and we felt it to be a glorious tribute to those who fought “not for themselves, but for their country.”



Chapter News

John Young Chapter



John Young Chapter members attended the Naturalization Ceremony at Robert C. Byrd Federal Courthouse on September 18 and distributed handmade US Flag pins. Fifty-five new citizens were admitted and administered the Oath of Citizenship. All did their oath of allegiance and listened to a tape of Senator Byrd's recitation of the Preamble to the Constitution.

From left to right: Karen Taylor, Brenda Durham, Wanda Dettinger, Ellen Freer, Linda Bibbee



Bells Across America...Members participated in the annual event to commemorate Constitution Week.

Front row left to right: Juanita Reed, June Jones, Kelly L. George

Back Row: Brenda Durham, Martha Ventura, Cookie Miller, Christine Bower, Lola Smith, Linda Bibbee, Kitty Palausky, Marilyn McGeorge, Karen Taylor, Mary Blaine McLaughlin, Ellen Freer, Sallie McClaugherty

Chapter News

Kanawha Valley Chapter

The Kanawha Valley Chapter began its year of Service to America on September 9th with its annual Constitution luncheon at Edgewood Country Club in Charleston.

Following lunch, Chapter Vice Regent Mary Arthur introduced Beth A. White, the Executive Director of the West Virginia Association for Justice. Ms. White presented an interesting and informative program on how important it is to all citizens that the authors of our Constitution insisted that the right of a trial by a jury was included in the United States Constitution. She began her power point presentation by stating “September 17 is the 230th anniversary of the U.S. Constitution and an opportunity to celebrate our rights enshrined there. One of the most important is the right to trial by jury. Thomas Jefferson wrote, “I consider [trial by jury] as the only anchor yet imagined by man, by which a government can be held to the principles of its constitution.” She concluded by saying “It is a right that we cannot afford to overlook—or let the government and powerful corporations take away.” Members were given Constitution Week posters and bookmarkers with the Preamble and Constitution Week Proclamations to take their town councils and mayors. Regent Gardner noted that a Naturalization Ceremony will be held on September 18, 2017. Constitution Week displays will be placed in the State Capitol Rotunda and the Robert C. Byrd Federal Courthouse.



We were pleased to welcome new members Nancy White, Nancy Shifflet, Jane Charnock and Sarah Prochaska to the chapter. Each was presented with a DAR pin by the Regent; a gift bag with magazine, membership card, chapter yearbook and small gift by Membership Chairman Shirley Gilkeson; and an information packet by the Chapter Registrar Connie Bowling.

Regent April Gardner presented certificates for winners of State and/or Eastern District awards. Some of the winners included: 1) Linda Hall for 3rd Place nationally and

first place statewide in the American Heritage Contest for her embroidery entry; 2) Connie Bowling, Community Service Award; 3) Donna Walker for 1st Place statewide in the American Heritage Contest for her painting in the Acrylics Division; 4) Project Patriot Committee for Outstanding Chapter Support; 5) Veteran's Committee for Outstanding Chapter Support; 6) Jane Marks placed 1st Place, Eastern Division, for her written entry in the Women's Issues Category; and 7) Conservation Committee for Outstanding Conservation Initiatives.

April Gardner, Shirley Gilkeson, Mary Arthur, Kathie Bowling, Nancy Cunningham, Carolyn Monk, Carolyn Rabalais, Laura Lee Albert, Norma Blankenship, Nancy White and Mary Jane Vredeveld attended the Naturalization Ceremony and Constitution Day Ceremony at the Robert C. Byrd Federal Courthouse and welcomed 55 new citizens. Welcome cards and patriotic materials were given to each of the fifty-five new citizens. U.S. District Judge Joseph Goodwin presided over the ceremony and introduced each DAR member present and thanked them for their attendance and gifts to the new citizens. After the ceremony, members, new citizens and other guests visited the Kanawha Valley Chapter's Constitution Week in the lobby of the Federal Courthouse.



Chapter News

Wheeling Chapter

The Wheeling Chapter DAR and the Fort Henry SAR participated in a Foreman Massacre Memorial commemorating the 240th Anniversary of the Foreman Massacre on September 27, 1777.

The Memorial was placed by the Wheeling Chapter DAR in 1927 in honor of all who were killed at the site. The Wheeling Chapter also celebrated the restoration of the monument, shields and landscaping. Pictured below are Wheeling Chapter members Ginger Straub Fato-Foreman, Debi Smith, Honorary Chapter Regent; Joan McClelland, Chapter Regent; and Lisa McNeil, Chapter Historian.



Pictured above are Descendants of some of the Soldiers at the Foreman Massacre:

Wheeling Chapter member Ginger Fato-Foreman & James Wood Chapter member Elaine Cook flanked by members of the SAR Color Guard

Chapters are asked to make sure that the following State Officers receive copies of all chapter yearbook/directory and any supplemental that Chapters distribute to their members.

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Happy 98th Birthday!

James Wood Chapter 60yr+ member Lee Nelson celebrated her 98th Birthday recently and WVDAR State Vice Regent Debi Smith presented Lee with a lovely bouquet. Lee is currently living in Wheeling.



DAR "Wow" Moment!

Jo Boggess-Phillips of the Old Hickory Chapter has a Presidential Bucket List. She takes her boys on historical based Vacations and during her 2017 summer travels, she got the opportunity to visit Plains, Georgia. She got the unique pleasure of attending the Maranatha Baptist Church which happens to be the church attended by President Jimmy Carter and his wife Rosalynn. She also got to attend the Sunday school class that is taught by President Carter.

*Pictured from L-R:
Rosalynn Carter, President Carter and Jo Boggess-Phillips*

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