



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,

I am so looking forward to Spring finally appearing, but I think Old Man Winter just does not want to say "Good-bye." I just hope that by the middle of April we are enjoying warmer days and no snow!

I also hope that you are all making your plans to attend the 113th State Conference at Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center in Davis, West Virginia on April 20, 21, and 22.

The ladies of the Central District Chapters and Conference Chairmen Kelly Goodwin & Patricia (Pat) Goodwin have all been busy planning for a wonderful time.

I would like to say "Good Job" to all of our Chapter Regents for successfully completing the Chapter Reporting due on February 1st. West Virginia had 100% reporting and this makes all things easier when State Chairmen and I have to complete our reports. The news back from the East Central Division Chairmen has been good. I am so proud of the members in West Virginia for all of the good works that you do in our state for the children and veterans.

I am looking forward to honoring our first graduates of the New Horizon and New Members Courses at State Conference. We will also be recognizing a few other special people on Friday Evening, so please make sure that you do not miss any part of this year's state conference.

Remember that April 20-21, 2018 is our State Conference at Canaan Valley Resort. The next Continental Congress will be held June 20-24, 2018. Once again many of the events will be occurring at the Grand Hyatt.

Please make sure to make your reservations for the West Virginia Breakfast.

Hoping each of you has a wonderful day and that God's Blessings are shining on you.

Shining in DAR,

Mindy

Malinda (Mindy) Davis, State Regent



Welcome New Members



Anne Bailey Chapter

Martha Eloise Painter
Kathleen Elaine Taylor

Bee Line Chapter

Freda Helen Norman Treat

Blackwater Chapter

Brenda Jean Booth Farnsworth

Blennerhassett Chapter

Cynthia Lynn Rogers Gissy

Buford Chapter

Rachel Lee Browning Vincent

Captain James Allen Chapter

Cecilia Yvone Wiseman Chapman
Lisa Kay Davis Clark
Karen Joyce McKinney Dunn
Brenda Sharon Daniel Hawks

Colonel Charles Lewis

Diane Elaine Chapman Lorton

Daniel Davisson Chapter

Laura Jean Brown Fullen
Alexandra Lee Davis Kolodziej

John Cooke Chapter

Kimberly Christine Hatcher Harrison

John Hart Chapter

Patricia Mae McCauley Ware
Sue Ellen Russell Brown
Janet Mae Skidmore Smith

John Young Chapter

Virginia Lee Maynard Burdett

Kanawha Valley Chapter

Sloane Mackenzie Stewart
Katherine Hock Hensley
Diane Evelyn Briers Hendricks

Old Hickory Chapter

Grace Elizabeth Parsons

South Branch Valley Chapter

Darlene Elizabeth McIntosh Frederick

Trans-Allegheny Chapter

Edith Annette Poling Yeager

- ◆ **The new members listed in this edition of *The WVDAR News* were accepted at the NBOM meetings in January, February and March 2018.**

New Horizons Course

Have you encouraged your new members to enroll in this National Program to learn more about DAR?

Contact State Membership Chairman, Chris Painter, for more information and assistance!

chrispainter1966@gmail.com

Welcome Our State Conference Guests!



**Patricia Musick Hatfield,
Librarian General, NSDAR
Virginia State Society**



**Carol Dorsey Larkin
Maryland State Regent**



**Alice Miles
Oregon State Regent**

Welcome to Almost Heaven West Virginia!

Call to State Conference

West Virginia State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Malinda “Mindy” Davis, State Regent

Deborah “Debi” Smith, State Vice Regent

Call to the One Hundred and Thirteenth State Conference

April 20 – 22, 2018

Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center, Davis, WV

THEME:

“Shining Stars of Service”

The State Conference being the Annual Meeting of the West Virginia State Society is called for the purpose of: receiving reports of the State Officers, District Directors, Chapter Regents and State Chairmen; voting on recommendations and resolutions; and acting on such other business as may properly come before the Conference body.

Credentials/Registration – Canaan Valley Resort

Friday, April 20 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 21 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Sales and Displays — Canaan Valley Resort

Closed during all Business Sessions!

Friday, April 20 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 21 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Schedule of Events

Thursday, April 19, 2018

3:00 p.m. – Arrival and Check-in for Executive Board and Conference Guests

6:30 p.m. – Informal dinner at Canaan Valley Resort, Hickory Dining Room for Executive Board, Conference Guests, and ALL DAR members and HODARs are welcome to attend

8:30 p.m. – Executive Committee Meeting – Willow Room

8:30 – 10:00 p.m. – Hospitality Room Open – Everyone Welcome

Friday, April 20, 2018

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 Breakfast On Your Own

8:00 a.m. – 10:30 p.m. – Displays Set-up / Credentials / Registration/ “DAR-lings Delights!”-
Pre-Conference Area – Aspen Room

10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Registration / Chapter Press Book & Scrapbook Display/“DAR-lings Delights!” –
Pre-Conference Area – Aspen Room

12:00 p.m. – Luncheon – Cameo Luncheon – Hickory Dining Room

ALL DAR Members & Guests Welcome & Encouraged to Attend

1:45 p.m. – Board of Management meeting following the Luncheon – Spruce Room

2:45 – 3:30 p.m. – West Virginia Chorus Rehearsal – Willow Room

2:45 – 3:30 p.m. – Page Meeting and Flag Rehearsal – Spruce Room

3:00 p.m. – State Officers Club Meeting – Spruce Room

6:00 p.m. – Dinner – Maple/Balsam Rooms

8:15 p.m. – Processional Forms – Aspen Room

8:30 p.m. – Opening Session of the 113th State Conference – Spruce Room

Receiving Line—Following the Opening Session – Aspen Room

10:00 – 11:00 p.m. Hospitality Room Open

State Regent’s Projects Committee Meeting following all of the evening events.

Saturday, April 21, 2018

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 – Chapter Regent’s Club Breakfast – Maple/Balsam Rooms

8:50 a.m. – Processional Forms – Aspen Room

9:00 a.m. – Conference Business Session – Spruce Room

12:00 p.m. – Awards Luncheon – Maple/Balsam Rooms

2:00 p.m. – Continuation of Business Session-if needed in the Spruce Room

*****2:00 p.m. – Tour for State Conference Guests

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Voting – Willow Room

Following Afternoon Business Session – Book of Remembrance Research Workshop

5:00 – 6:15 p.m. – Photographs – Gather in the Aspen Room and Main Lobby

6:15 p.m. – Processional Forms – Aspen Room

7:00 p.m. – Banquet – Maple/Balsam Room

10:00 p.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Hospitality Room Open

Sunday, April 22, 2018

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 Breakfast – Buffett – Maple/Balsam Rooms

9:00 a.m. – Memorial – Spruce Room

10:00 a.m. – Closing Business Session – Spruce Room

State Conference Fee

Each Chapter shall have paid dues for each member and must have paid the Chapter Conference Dues (\$1.00 per member) for the current year. No Chapter whose State Dues and Assessments, Conference and District Dues have not been paid shall be entitled to representation at the meeting of the State Conference.

Representation at Conference

Chapter representation is based on the number of members whose dues have been received by the State Treasurer and Treasurer General by December 1, 2017, not by the number of members in the Chapter. Each Chapter shall be entitled to be represented at any meeting at the State Conference by three (3) times as many delegates and alternates as at the previous Continental Congress (126th Continental Congress 2017) one of whom shall be the Chapter Regent, Chapter Vice Regent or the Chapter Regent’s representative. State Chairmen and State Vice Chairmen are appointees, and therefore have no vote at the 113th State Conference unless elected as Delegates by their Chapter.

Credentials

State Chairman—Rebecca Davis, 1910 Lazzelle Union Blvd., Maidsville, WV 26541-8017. Please return one copy of the forms to the State Chairman by March 30, 2018 and another copy to the State Regent as directed on the forms. Each Chapter Delegate must present with Proper Identification to the Credentials Desk in the Registration area the Chapter Delegate’s official voting card completed and bearing the proper signatures to receive the voter’s ribbon and registration materials.

Resolutions

All resolutions to be considered to be presented at the State Conference must be sent to the Conference Appointed Resolutions Chairman at least fifteen (15) days before the State Conference (postmarked no later than April 5, 2018) to Marilyn Susie Rogers, P.O. Box 569, Summersville, WV, 26651 phone: 304-872-6267 email: darmsrogers@gmail.com

Meal Reservations

Enclosed in this edition of the *WVDAR News* is the reservation form that lists the meal functions and prices. Prices quoted include gratuity. **Deadline for Meal Reservations is April 6, 2018.** Requests for cancellations or refunds must be made no later than April 6, 2018. Reservations should be mailed to:
Susan Arnold 1283 Kings Road, Morgantown, WV 26508

Call to Conference Continued...

Hotel Reservations — Room reservations are to be made directly with the *Canaan Valley Resorts* by calling **304-866-4121**. A deposit equal to one night's rate plus taxes will be due with each room reservation request. **Reservations will be accepted at the hotel until March 30, 2018.** Room requests after March 30, 2018 will be considered pending availability and are not guaranteed the WVDAR State Conference rate.

Reports

Members of the Executive Committee, District Directors, State Chairmen and Chapter Regents shall prepare and submit a report for the State Conference of her work since April 2017. Reports shall be typed, double-spaced on one side of 8 1/2 X 11" paper with a 1.5" left margin, ready for printing in the State Proceedings. Prepare three (3) copies of the report; send one (1) copy to the **State Recording Secretary Patricia Goodwin, 5028 Old Mill Road, Jane Lew, WV 26378 or email, preferred, pmg48dar@gmail.com**; one (1) copy to the State Regent; and maintain one (1) copy for your files. Reports must be received by the State Recording Secretary either via mail or email no later than **April 5, 2018.**

****State Chairmen may volunteer to give a report on the work of their Committee during the morning Business Session. Report to the State Regent if you would like to volunteer!**

If you have given Awards for your committee, please plan on reporting and announcing the first place winners!

****Chapter Regents shall bring/send a brief narrative with pictures if available, on an 8 1/2" x 11" paper, of an explanation of: "**Historic Preservation.**" These will be posted on display for all the Conference attendees to read and enjoy!**

Voting Body

The voting members of the State Conference or at any special meeting of the State Society shall be its Officers: Honorary Officers of the National Society whose membership is within the State; the Honorary State Regents of the West Virginia State Society; the Chapter Regents, or, in their absence, the Vice or First Vice Regent or designated alternate; the District Directors; and the delegates or their alternates from the Chapters of the State that are entitled to representation at the Continental Congress or special meetings of the National Society (Article VIII, Section 5).

Awards

State Officers and State Chairmen planning to present awards at the 112th State Conference must send the name of the recipient, committee/person giving award, designation of award (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) to: **Charla Nutter, 5102 Big Battle Run, Salem, WV 26426 or email at charla.nutter@lmco.com**
Deadline is April 14, 2018 – NO EXCEPTIONS! All awards must be signed by the proper State Chairman or State Officer at the Awards Table on Friday, April 20, 2018. Award certificates will be available for pick-up at the Awards Table on Sunday, April 22, 2018, before breakfast. **District Directors are responsible to see all Chapters in their District receive their certificates.**

Exhibits/Sales

Exhibits, Displays and Sales Tables will be located in the Aspen Room and Coat Room of Canaan Valley Resort. If interested in volunteering to help at the tables, please contact the State Conference Chairman, Kelly Goodwin.

Literature

No literature may be distributed during the State Conference without the permission of the State Regent. No publications except materials from NSDAR or those authorized by the State Regent may be sold at the Conference.

Pages

Please encourage and invite your daughters, granddaughters, and nieces to serve as a Page for the 113th State Conference! Page invitations will be sent to those whose names have been sent to the State Regent, via email to jdavisfamily4@frontier.com.

Call to Conference Continued...

Hostess Chapters

The **Chapters of the Central District** will serve as the official hostesses of the 113th State Conference. Those Chapters are: Blackwater, Colonel Morgan Morgan, Colonel Zackquill Morgan, Daniel Davisson, Elizabeth Ludington Hagans-Colonel John Evans, Elizabeth Zane, Elk River, James Barbour, John Hart, Trans-Allegheny, and Woodburn.

Kelly Goodwin, District Director, and Patricia Goodwin, Conference Co-Chairmen.

West Virginia Chorus

Calling all Voices! Those wishing to sing with the West Virginia Chorus should contact the WV Chorus Director—Annabelle Vance, 246 Hill Circle, Mathias, WV 26812 or call her at 304-897-5634.

Memorial Service

Names of deceased members must be postmarked by **April 6, 2018**, and mailed to the **WV State Chaplain**, Linda Hendrickson, 12 Meadowwood Estates, Scott Depot, WV 25560 or emailed to jlhendrickson@suddenlink.net. Please include: full name of deceased member, national number, Chapter name, and date of death. Please indicate if she was a Past National or State Officer, Past National Chairman, or Past Chapter Regent.

Chapter Press Books and Scrapbooks

Please bring your Chapter's Press Book and/or Scrapbook to the Conference Center Lobby on Friday, April 20, 2018, before 4 p.m. The books will be judged on Saturday afternoon and the winners will be announced during the "All-Stars" Banquet.

Press Book Requirements—Clippings must be original; no photocopies! Each item in the book must include the name of the newspaper or publication and date of publication. Please do not write in the margin or underline names. Include items on Chapter-sponsored events, including CAR. You may use obituaries of Chapter members if DAR is mentioned. Please include one typed page that describes the number of inches of type that the Chapter received from April 1, 2017 to March 1, 2018. The first page of the book should include the name of the Chapter, the dates covered and the names of the Chapter Regent and Press Book chairman. No Clip Art. Judging will be on the amount of inches of type, the amount of publicity given the Chapter and the accuracy of following the instructions. **Reminder**—*Many newspapers are now online and your Chapter articles may be online. Reprints of these articles will be permitted, but must include the masthead or a print of the name of the newspaper.*

Scrapbook Requirements—The scrapbook must include the name of the Chapter, location of the Chapter and names of the Chapter Regent and Scrapbook chairman. With all photographs, please neatly identify members and the activity. Scrapbooks should contain activities and events from April 1, 2017 to March 1, 2018, only. Graphics and clip art are encouraged. Judging will be on neatness, creativity and completeness of coverage of the Chapter's activities for the year. **Reminder—all Press Books and Scrapbooks will be divided into 2 divisions based on size of Chapter: 1-49 members in Division One and chapters with 50+ members in Division Two!**

"DAR-lings Delights"—Once again, we will have this great fundraiser! All proceeds will go to areas where restricted funds cannot be used. Use your imagination when selecting items to donate to our "DAR-Lings Delights"! We need many unique and interesting items to entice people to buy tickets. ****Due to space and time restrictions, please limit your donations to three items per State Officer, District Director, State Chairman and Chapters! Thank you for all your support for this great fundraiser!!**

I encourage all WV Daughters to attend their State Conference. I look forward to greeting you at the 113th WVDAR State Conference!

Mindy

113th WVDAR STATE CONFERENCE
Canaan Valley Resort, Davis, WV
April 20-22, 2018
“Preserving our Historical Stars of Service”

MEAL RESERVATIONS

NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

CHAPTER: _____ EMAIL: _____

Thursday, April 19, 2018 *All Welcome & Encouraged to Join the Executive Board & Guests for Dinner*
 6:30 p.m. West Virginia Special Buffet – Baked Steak & Honey Baked Ham \$30.00 _____
 Reservations are required Hickory Dining Room

Friday, April 20, 2018 “Stars Focus on the Future Cameo Luncheon” \$20.00 _____
 12 noon Dual Salads – Chicken & Tuna Salad Hickory Dining Room

Friday, April 20, 2018 “Embracing Historic Preservation With Our WV Shining Stars” \$25.00 _____
 6:00 p.m. Beef Pot Roast Maple/Balsam Rooms

Saturday, April 21, 2018 “Rising Stars Preserve Our History Breakfast” \$15.00 _____
 7:00 a.m. Chapter Regent’s Club Breakfast Open to Regents/Past Regents
 The Valley Breakfast – Eggs & Bacon Maple/Balsam

Saturday, April 21, 2018 “Honoring Our Present Stars of Education Luncheon” \$20.00 _____
 12 Noon Chicken Marsala w/rice & vegetables Maple/Balsam Rooms

Saturday, April 21, 2018 “Shining Stars Celebrating West Virginia Heritage Banquet” \$25.00 _____
 6:30 p.m. Entrée Choice _____ Roasted Chicken or _____ Stuffed Pork Loin Maple/Balsam Rooms
Please mark only one choice

Sunday, April 22, 2018 “Stars Protect Our Artistic Heritage Breakfast” \$20.00 _____
 8:00 a.m. The Traditional Brunch Buffet Maple Balsam Rooms

*All plated lunches and dinners include: entrée, salad,
 vegetable, dinner bread & butter, dessert and beverage*

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: April 6

Checks are **to be made payable to : State Treasurer, WVDAR**

PLEASE CHECK IF YOU HAVE ANY DIETARY RESTRICTIONS _____

Please note type of dietary restriction _____

MAIL TO: Susan Arnold, 1283 Kings Road, Morgantown, WV 26508-9189

****Children’s menu available upon request for younger guests and younger pages*

State Committee News

Delegates to State Conference—please make sure to review all proposed By-Laws changes presented on the next 4 pages prior to the conference. These will be presented during the Saturday Morning Business Session with time for discussion.

Respectfully presented by the State By-Laws Committee: Ginger Nalley, Chairperson; Cora Teel, State Parliamentarian, Katy Keith and Rita Laishley, Committee Members.

PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

FOR THE
113th STATE CONFERENCE, 2018

NOTE: Deletions have been ~~stricken through~~, insertions are in **bold**

Replace **Article IV – Fees and Dues**, by substituting:

SECTION 1.

(a) Annual state dues are payable to the State Treasurer showing a Federal Postal Service, or other carrier, cancellation date no later than November 1, and are delinquent after that date.

(b) State dues shall be:

(1) for a member of a chapter, five dollars.

for a Member-at-Large, twelve dollars, with the exception of those members who are at-large for the purpose of organizing a new chapter, five dollars.

(3) for a member admitted at-large for the purpose of organizing a new chapter, five dollars.

SECTION 2. Each chapter shall pay any additional assessments based on membership of the chapter as of January 1, presented by the Finance Committee and approved by the State Conference.

SECTION 3.

State dues and assessments for a member admitted or reinstated to membership by the National Society are payable to the State Treasurer within sixty days after the date of admittance or reinstatement.

State dues and assessments for a member admitted or reinstated on or after July 5 shall be credited for the upcoming dues year.

SECTION 4. One-third of the State dues shall be paid to the State Regent to defray expenses associated with her office.

SECTION 5. A conference fee of one dollar per member as of January 1 shall be paid to the State Treasurer no later than sixty days before the State Conference. This fee shall be used to help defray expenses incurred in executing the State Conference.

SECTION 6. Any chapter whose state dues, assessments and conference fees are not paid sixty days before the State Conference shall not be entitled to representation at the State Conference.

ARTICLE IV. Fees and Dues, currently reads:

~~SECTION 1. The fiscal year of the State Society shall be July first through June thirtieth.~~

~~SECTION 2. To defray the expenses of the State work, each Chapter belonging to the State Society shall pay annually to the State Treasurer on or before the first day of December five dollars (\$5.00) per capita dues for each member on the Chapter roll. Each Chapter shall also pay any additional assessments based upon membership of Chapters as of January 1 presented by the Finance Committee and approved by the State Conference. Said dues and assessments shall be remitted in one payment.~~

~~(a) Annual National dues are payable by December 1 and are delinquent after that date.~~

~~(b) Dues for a member admitted or reinstated on or after April 1 shall be credited for the next succeeding calendar year.~~

~~SECTION 3. The Chapters shall send to the State Treasurer the State dues and assessments for the current year for all members accepted to membership by the National Society between January 1 and May 1 of each year. Such members shall pay the required dues and assessments again the following year.~~

~~SECTION 4. One third of the State dues shall be paid to the State Regent to defray her expenses to the National and State meetings and for expenses pertaining to her office to the amount of the above sum.~~

~~SECTION 5. All bills for which the State is liable, except those authorized by the State Conference or the Board of Management, shall be itemized and presented promptly to the State Regent no later than sixty (60) days following the date on which the debt is incurred.~~

~~SECTION 6. A conference fee of one dollar (\$1.00) per member per chapter as of January 1 shall be paid to the State Treasurer no later than sixty (60) days before the date of State Conference. This fee shall be used to defray expenses incurred in holding the State Conference. No Chapter whose State dues and assessments and Conference dues and District dues are not paid shall be entitled to representation at meetings of the State Conference.~~

If adopted, **Article IV – Fees and Dues**, will read

SECTION 1.

(a) Annual state dues are payable to the State Treasurer showing a Federal Postal Service, or other carrier, cancellation date no later than November 1, and are delinquent after that date.

(b) State dues shall be:

(1) for a member of a chapter, five dollars.

for a Member-at-Large, twelve dollars, with the exception of those members who are at-large for the purpose of organizing a new chapter, five dollars.

(3) for a member admitted at-large for the purpose of organizing a new chapter, five dollars.

SECTION 2. Each chapter shall pay any additional assessments based on membership of the chapter as of January 1, presented by the Finance Committee and approved by the State Conference.

SECTION 3.

State dues and assessments for a member admitted or reinstated to membership by the National Society are payable to the State Treasurer within sixty days after the date of admittance or reinstatement.

State dues and assessments for a member admitted or reinstated on or after July 5 shall be credited for the upcoming dues year.

SECTION 4. One-third of the State dues shall be paid to the State Regent to defray expenses associated with her office.

SECTION 5. A conference fee of one dollar per member as of January 1 shall be paid to the State Treasurer no later than sixty days before the State Conference. This fee shall be used to help defray expenses incurred in executing the State Conference.

SECTION 6. Any chapter whose state dues, assessments and conference fees are not paid sixty days before the State Conference shall not be entitled to representation at the State Conference.

Rationale: These are revised portions of sentences 1 and 2 of Article IV, Sections 2(b) and 3. They provide for year-round collection of state dues and assessments for new and reinstated members. They also provide for payment within 60 days after admittance or reinstatement.

The revised Article IV, Section 4, provides latitude for the State Regent to spend the funds on any expense associated with her office.

The revised sentences 1 and 2 of Article IV, Section 6, are written to include Members-at-Large. It also deletes extraneous words such as "the date of" before "State Conference".

The revised sentence 3 of Article IV, Section 6, deletes "District dues" as the State Society has no insight into whether these dues have been paid. It also deletes extraneous words such as "meetings of".

Replace **Article VII, Section 7, Duties of Officers**, with the following:

SECTION 7.

- (a) **The State Treasurer shall:**
have charge of the funds and securities of the State Society within the guidelines of Article XI, Finances;
keep an accurate account of all receipts and disbursement;
pay the bills of the State Society as authorized;
render a financial statement for the State Society to the State Conference and at the close of the fiscal year and financial reports throughout the year to the Executive Committee;
ensure the compliance of the State Society with federal and state financial and tax laws and regulations;
notify NSDAR by May 31 each year whether the state will be filing a Form 990 for the most recent fiscal year end and submit a list of all chapters that will be filing a Form 990 for the previous fiscal year; and
serve as an ex-officio member of the Finance Committee.
- (b) **Either the signature of the State Treasurer or the State Regent shall be sufficient to draw upon funds as authorized.**

ARTICLE VII, Section 7, Duties of Officers, currently reads:

~~SECTION 7. The State Treasurer shall have charge of all funds and securities of the State Society which she shall deposit in a bank approved by the State Board of Management. She shall keep an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements and pay by check all bills and only bills authorized by the State Conference or the State Board of Management or on warrants drawn by the State Regent. The State Treasurer shall render an audited report in chart form to the annual State Conference. She shall submit a statement of the finances of the state at any other meeting of the State Conference, State Board of Management or Executive Committee.~~

~~(a) The accounting period shall be July first through June thirtieth.~~

~~(b) An audit of her account shall be made by a Certified Public Accountant every third year or by an auditor approved by the State Board of Management. She shall, after audit in the year of her retirement, turn over to her successor all monies, accounts and books of the State Treasury within sixty (60) days. The auditor's report will be placed in the State files.~~

~~(c) In case of the temporary inability of the State Treasurer to serve, the Chairman of the Finance Committee is empowered to sign all checks for payment of bills duly authorized. The State Treasurer shall be bonded and/or insured at the expense of the West Virginia State Society for the amount of the Society's net worth.~~

If approved, **Article VII, Section 7, Duties of Officers**, will read:

SECTION 7.

(a) **The State Treasurer shall:**

- (1) **have charge of the funds and securities of the State Society within the guidelines of Article XI, Finances;**
(2) **keep an accurate account of all receipts and disbursement;**
(3) **pay the bills of the State Society as authorized;**
(4) **render a financial statement for the State Society to the State Conference and at the close of the fiscal year and financial reports throughout the year to the Executive Committee;**
(5) **ensure the compliance of the State Society with federal and state financial and tax laws and regulations;**
(6) *notify NSDAR by May 31 each year whether the state will be filing a Form 990 for the most recent fiscal year end and submit a list of all chapters that will be filing a Form 990 for the previous fiscal year; and*
(7) **serve as an ex-officio member of the Finance Committee.**

(b) **Either the signature of the State Treasurer or the State Regent shall be sufficient to draw upon funds as authorized.**

Rationale: This is a revised Article VII, Section 7. Certain sections are mandated by the Bylaws of the National Society and must be copied word for word in state bylaws. These sections are *in bold italics*.

Insert new ARTICLE XI and renumber remaining Articles:

Article XI
Finances

SECTION 1.

The fiscal year of the State Society shall be July first through June thirtieth.

The annual budget shall cover the fiscal year and shall be prepared on the basis of State dues payable the preceding November first.

SECTION 2. The funds of the State Society shall be placed to the credit of the West Virginia State Society of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution in such institutions as the Executive Committee shall select with the recommendation of the State Treasurer.

SECTION 3.

The State Treasurer shall be bonded, at the expense of the State Society, in such amount as shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

The accounts of the State Treasurer shall be examined by the Audit Committee or Certified Public Accountant annually, as determined by the Executive Committee at its meeting preceding the State Conference, and reports on such examinations shall be made to the Executive Committee immediately thereafter, in addition to the regular financial reports by the State Treasurer throughout the year. The reports shall be placed in the State files.

All invoices shall be made available to the chairman of the Finance Committee.

In case of the inability of the State Treasurer and the State Regent to serve, the chairman of the Finance Committee is empowered to sign checks for payment of bills duly authorized.

The State Treasurer, after audit in the year of her retirement, shall turn over to her successor all monies, accounts, books and other items of the State Treasury within sixty days.

a. Rationale: This provision was previously Article IV, Section 1 and Article VII, Section 7(a). There is no reason to include this statement in the WVDAR Bylaws more than once. The terms "fiscal year" and "accounting period" have the same meaning in this context.

1. b. Rationale: This is a new provision. State dues are payable on November first; National dues are payable on December first.

Rationale: This is a revised second half of sentence 1 of Article VII, Section 7. Having the State Board of Management to select the institution where WVDAR funds are placed is not practical because it meets well after a new Treasurer is installed and decisions need to be made in a timely manner. The Executive Committee is a much better group to make decisions such as this one.

3 a. Rationale: This is a revised sentence 2 of Article VII, Section 7(c)

3.b. Rationale: This is revised sentences 1 and 3 of Article VII, Section 7 This provision changes audits from once every three years to annually and provides, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, for the Audit Committee or a Certified Public Accountant to perform the audit.

3.c. Rationale: This is a revised Article IV, Section 5. The chairman of the Finance Committee is a more appropriate individual to review all of the State Society's expenditures than the State Regent.

3.d. Rationale: This is a revised sentence 1 of Article VII, Section 7(c).

3.e. Rationale: This is a revised sentence 2 of Article VII, Section 7(b). "Other items" is added to ensure computer access to QuickBooks Online is included in the items turned over to the new State Treasurer.

To amend ARTICLE XII [renumbered Article XI], Committees, by adding a new section.

SECTION 6. The Audit Committee consisting of at least three members to be appointed by the State Regent shall, upon approval by the Executive Committee at its meeting preceding the State Conference, examine the accounts of the State Treasurer annually and make reports on such examinations to the Executive Committee immediately thereafter.

Rationale: This is a new provision that establishes the Audit Committee and states its mission.

To amend ARTICLE XIII [renumbered Article XII], Chapters, by adding a new section.

SECTION 6. With the remittance of dues and contributions to the State Treasurer, the chapter shall include the West Virginia State Society Chapter Treasurer's Report for the appropriate fiscal year.

Rationale: This is a new provision. It codifies current practice.

Club News

WV Cameo Club



The West Virginia Cameo Club will hold our annual luncheon meeting during State Conference on Friday, April 20, 2018 at Canaan Valley. Colonel Zackquill Morgan Chapter will host the event. Please refer to the registration information in this newsletter for more details.

New members who joined since our last state conference will receive their membership certificates at this luncheon if their applications are received by our Cameo Club Registrar, Cheryl A. Brown by **March 24, 2018**.

The objects of the Cameo Club are to promote understanding and fellowship between generations and to encourage the passage of genealogical information, family histories and patriotism to subsequent generations.

Membership in the 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/daughter, grandmother/granddaughter, aunt/niece or sister. Associate membership is open to any member of the NSDAR who does not meet the above stated eligibility. Associate members pay the same fees and participate in all functions of the society.

Lifetime Membership cost is \$25.00 plus a \$5.00 application fee for a total of \$30.00 per member. This is a one-time payment. If a member has joined in conjunction with a deceased mother or daughter, all application fees must be paid, however no further dues are collected for the deceased member.

We look forward to seeing you at the Cameo Club Luncheon on April 20!

**If you wish to have a club membership application emailed to you, please contact me at cnicewarner@verizon.net

Cindy Nicewarner, Club President



Save The Date!

2018 District Meetings

While not all the details are worked out for all of the District Meetings, it is important to put these dates on your calendars and we hope that you can attend! District Meetings are an awesome way to learn more about WVDAR and the National Programs!

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| ♦ July 28 | Southern District | Hosted by the General Andrew Lewis Chapter, Lewisburg, WV |
| ♦ August 4 | Northern District | Hosted by the Anne Royall Chapter, Harrisville, WV |
| ♦ August 11 | Central District | Hosted by the Woodburn Chapter, Morgantown, WV |
| ♦ August 18 | Western District | Hosted by the Buford Chapter, Huntington, WV |
| ♦ August 25 | Eastern District | Hosted by the Pack Horse Ford Chapter, Shepherdstown, WV |

Look for future emails and/or additional mailings for locations, times and reservation information!

My Chapter

What kind of a Chapter would my Chapter be if all the Members were just like me?

You can thoughtfully ask yourself that question;
if not, perhaps its an excellent suggestion.

You can talk on the phone morning, afternoon and night,
find fault with the Officers—censure and gripe.

Or you can be one that is always on call,
both ready and willing to carry the ball.

To your follow members you will soon be known,
ts the true loyal worker, or else as a drone.

You can pass on new members, or you can refuse
To take any part beyond paying your dues.

You can stand on the side lines, or jump in and play,
attend every meeting or just stay away.

Whatever your talents, some job you can do,
so say to yourself as the past you review;

What kind of a Chapter would my Chapter be if all the Members were just like me?

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National and State Committees

DAR Schools Committee



WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Rather than have a raffle for our DAR Schools at this State Conference I wish to issue a challenge to each of our Chapters. Our Schools are made up of kids . . . kids who always seem to have needs, just as our own children **AND** just like at home, our washers and dryers seem to eat things like socks and underwear!

SO --- LET THE COMPETITION BEGIN!!

The challenge is this . . . let's see which Chapter can bring to State Conference in April **THE MOST** socks and underwear! There will be rewards!!! The competition is counted by Chapter so have your members bring as much for your chapter as possible . . . we will keep a running total over the course of the weekend and announce winners on Sunday!!

Nancy Kornegay, State Chairman



Junior Membership Committee

Last year, the Junior Membership Committee began sponsoring a Classroom Grant project.

Teachers submitted their requests and a winner and runner-up were awarded in each State. The grant was for a 1-time \$500.00 grant. Katherin Adkins, of Peterstown Middle School, received \$500.00 to purchase 3 sets of the "I Survived" series to help spark the historic interest of her students. Ms. Adkins was sponsored by Peters Mountain Chapter.

This year we will be awarding two (2) \$500.00 grants in each state! If you know a teacher that has an awesome educational idea and needs some grant money, please sponsor that teacher. Regents should have the information or you could contact Randi Gray, State Junior Membership Co-Chairman, for details. ***Applications must be submitted to the State Chairman by April 17, 2018.***

National and State Committees

Blanche L. Reymann Scholarship Committee



Like many of you, I have been amazed by the huge rallies held at the State Capitol and locally outside of our schools in the last few weeks.

I could not help but think about our 2017-18 scholarship recipient, Tiffany Dodd. Tiffany told us at the Central District meeting that when she graduated this spring she hoped to stay in West Virginia and teach Math. I am proud that the Blanche L. Reymann Scholarship was available to help her pay for the PRAXIS testing and certification fees to help her fulfill that dream.

This summer, we will be awarding the 2018-19 scholarship to a student from the University of Charleston. The Financial Aid Director, Michelle Marlowe, will be selecting the scholarship recipient in early March. You can look forward to the announcement of the scholarship winner at State Conference in April.

As we prepare for State Conference, I wanted to remind everyone that the Conference is also one of the largest fundraiser for the Blanche L. Reymann Scholarship. If you have never been to State Conference, we sell voices for on a huge Fiestaware Basket with the proceeds going toward the Scholarship. Last year, we raised \$361. I hope to do even better this year.

Please make sure to stop by our table at the Conference to learn more about the scholarship, share ideas or stories about how a scholarship helped you and, of course, buy voices to support our scholarship.

If you cannot make the trip to Canaan Valley, please consider sending a donation through your chapter or you can send a check made payable to **State Treasurer WVDAR and Mail to our State Treasurer, Cheryl Brown, PO Box 688, Kearneysville, WV 25430.**

Lisa McNeil
Blanche L. Reymann Scholarship Chairman

Notes from the State Officers

Just a
reminder...



Friendly Reminder—

TO: State Officers, District Directors, State Committee Chairmen, and Chapter Regents
FROM: Pat Goodwin, State Recording Secretary

Each year, usually no later than two weeks prior to the State Conference, you should submit a report for the State Conference to the State Regent, State Recording Secretary, and your District Director (Chapter Regents only), and keep a copy for yourself. This report should review your work since the State Conference the year before. (This year's report will include April 2017- March 2018).

Please consider using a WORD document (preferred), double-spaced with a 1 ½" left margin in Times New Roman 12 pt. font. According to WVDAR BYLAWS, Regents' reports will have a 500-word limit and other reports will be brief. Emails are preferred also.

Please email your reports to: State Regent, Mindy Davis: jdavisfamily4@frontier.com
State Recording Secretary, Pat Goodwin: pmg48dar@gmail.com and District Directors (check WVDAR Directory for addresses). If emailing the documents is a problem, please type your report, using the same directions listed above and mail your document to us.



State Historian Reminders

I am looking forward to the West Virginia State Conference in Canaan Valley this coming April! I will be introducing **Phil Caskey**, our **“Outstanding Teacher of American History,”** during Saturday's luncheon. Mr. Caskey was nominated by the Elizabeth Ludington Hagans-Colonel John Evans Chapter and chosen by a committee of outstanding WV teachers. You won't want to miss this event.

I would like to remind everyone that time is quickly running out to submit your pictures and information on the monuments that your chapter may have. If you have any questions, please contact me.

World War I ended on November 11, 1918, 100 years ago, when Germany officially surrendered. During the war, over nine million soldiers were killed and over 21 million wounded. Five million civilians died, including 128 Americans. The Treaty of Versailles of 1919 was signed the following year. Click on this link to learn more of this devastating event. <http://www.history.com/topics/world-war-i/treaty-of-versailles>

This year, to recognize the men and women who served, I ask that our chapters conduct dedications and services in their honor. I also ask that you post pictures of your event on the WVDAR State Historian Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/124617111457739/>

I have been encouraging everyone to post pictures of WWI veterans, their graves, and a short story about that person on the West Virginia Cemeteries Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/961488037265130/>
Let us remember those who served to protect our freedom during WWI this year.

April Gardner

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Chapter News

Elk River Chapter—45th Anniversary Celebration

On May 20, 2017, the **Elk River Chapter** met in Gassaway, WV, to celebrate their **45th Anniversary**. Chapter Regent Meg Ashby, reviewed the history of the chapter from the beginning in 1972 when members would gather to make apple butter as their primary fundraiser to the present time. Through the years the ladies erected a bronze memorial plaque on the lawn of the courthouse in Sutton, WV, to honor the soldiers and patriots of the Revolutionary War buried in Braxton County. The name of Patrick Murphy, Revolutionary War Soldier, was placed on the bronze plaque on May 30, 2015, with a ceremony involving Elk River Chapter members, descendants of Patrick Murphy and citizens of Braxton County.

American Flags have been donated to community buildings in Braxton County, Flag Codes were placed in all county schools, and members have visited kindergarten classrooms in Braxton and Nicholas Counties to talk about the Pledge to the American Flag. The chapter has also visited the Calhoun County Middle/High School to give certificates to 5th and 8th grade students who had memorized the American's Creed as an activity for Mr. Dan Cosgrove's American History Classes. Donations of clothing and household items have been made every year from 1972 to the present to the Louis A. Johnson V.A. Medical Center.

The Elk River Chapter was instrumental in establishing the Family Research Library in the Gassaway Public Library that collects historic documents, obituaries, cemetery books, and other items. The room is open on Wednesday afternoons when Lib Stewart and Lola Jackson, members of the Elk River Chapter, are available to assist with lineage research.

At the 40th Anniversary of the chapter in 2012 there were 14 members listed. Now there are 34 members from Braxton, Nicholas, Gilmer and Calhoun Counties. These are just a few of the projects and activities of the Elk River Chapter through the years and they exemplify the growth and focus of the chapter on God, Home and Country.



Two charter members of the Elk River Chapter passed away this year and the chapter members held special services and placed bronze markers of the DAR Insignia at their grave sites. Members traveled to the Sugar Creek Cemetery in Braxton County on May 20th, 2017, in honor of **Virginia Rader Carr** who died February 1, 2016, at age 83. Chapter Regent Meg Ashby, Vice Regent Ruth Mooney and Chaplain Lillie Robinson conducted the service of remembrance. Paula Carr Shuman, Virginia's daughter, spoke of memories of her mother and the DAR. Dale Boggs, a lifelong friend of Virginia's and an associate member of the Elk River

Chapter, traveled from her home in Silver Spring, Maryland, to present a tribute to Virginia. This was also the date of the celebration for the 45th Anniversary of the Elk River Chapter and it was an appropriate time to remember Virginia Carr who was so instrumental in the organization of this DAR Chapter. Virginia was the registrar for the chapter for many years. She would say that she had to be the registrar because she was the only member in the new chapter with a typewriter. We miss her humor and the vast knowledge she had of the Braxton County area.

The Chapter's Organizing Regent **Lola Butcher Given** died on April 25, 2017, at the age of 92 and the Elk River Chapter dedicated a bronze marker of the DAR insignia for her grave at the Glendon Cemetery on September 3, 2017. Vice Regent Ruth Mooney and Chaplain Lillie Robinson conducted the service of remembrance in honor of Lola.

Lola's enthusiasm for the DAR was the driving force in the organization of the Elk River Chapter and her life, her dedication to the community and to projects to help veteran's gave meaning to the American's Creed as she knew it was her duty to her country "to love it, to support its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its Flag and to defend it against all enemies".

Chapter News



Elk River Chapter

The Elk River Chapter, NSDAR, assisted with the dedication of the new V.A. Clinic near Gas-saway on July 3, 2017, by providing light refreshments to the dignitaries, veterans, staff and the community. The ladies baked cookies, decorated the reception area, and greeted the many guests attending the event.

The new clinic is located just off exit 62 on I-79. The location and abundant parking make this facility within easy access for the local veterans who rely on VA assistance for their health care.

The clinic provides medical care at the facility and also provides transportation for veterans to the Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center in Clarksburg.

The Flag Raising ceremony was conducted by the American Legion Post 33, Braxton County Honor Guard. In addition to the staff of the clinic, the dedication was attended by WV Congressman Evan H. Jenkins, doctors and administrators from the Louis A. Johnson V.A. Medical Center, veterans and citizens of the community.

Pictured Above—1st row, l. to rt.: Lillie Robinson, Mary Stewart, Carolyn Patrick, Marilyn Rogers. 2nd row, l. to rt.: Julie Hunt, Dabney Phillips, Congressman Jenkins, Ruth Mooney.



Buford Chapter

The Buford Chapter would like to congratulate Sally O. Cyrus for being recognized as a West Virginia History Hero Award recipient. Sally was recognized for writing the comprehensive history of the “Monuments and Markers” that have been placed in the Huntington area by the Buford Chapter. She has also written a short history of the Chapter that we gifted to our guests at our 100th Anniversary Celebration.

Sally says that history has always been a focus in her life and she enjoys presenting many programs about local history to other organizations. Congratulations Sally!

Shown at left is Sally, in costume, presenting a program about the antiques housed in the Chapter cabin.

Chapter News

Wheeling Chapter



The Wheeling Chapter is proud to announce that chapter member **Jo-Ellen Connolly**, Principal of Colliers Primary School in Colliers, WV, was one of eight administrators in the nation to receive the 2017 Terrel H. Bell Award for Outstanding School Leadership!

This special, personal award is presented by the U.S. Department of Education, with the National Association of Elementary School Principals, the Association of Middle-Level Education, and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, in memory of former U.S. Secretary of Education Terrel H. Bell. It is the highest award that an administrator can receive.

This award recognizes outstanding school leaders and the vital role they play in guiding students and schools to excellence, frequently under challenging circumstances. The principals nominated for this award are committed to fostering successful teaching and learning at their schools and do “whatever it takes” to help their students meet high standards. They are dedicated to education as both a powerful and liberating force in people’s lives.

Award recipients have transformed their schools. Their vision and collaborative leadership styles have produced outstanding results for all students, regardless of race, language proficiency, or socioeconomic status. They have shown that – with effective leadership and teaching and a firm conviction – all students can learn.

Colonel Morgan Morgan Chapter

Grace Vincent, Commemorative Events Chairman of the Col. Morgan Morgan Chapter, had a window from a local business on the main street of Fairmont decorated for the Gold Star Mothers and Book of Remembrance project.

Displayed were donated pictures of deceased family members of Gold Star Mother and names of servicemen killed in action from Marion County WV. The window will be decorated four times a year to honor the Gold Star Mothers of Marion County. A small book to record names of people who paid for Book of Remembrance was also started. We are having some success and hope to get more names.



Chapter News

A Combined Celebration—



The Elizabeth Ludington Hagans - Col. John Evans Chapter and the Colonel Zackquill Morgan Chapter fundraised together to purchase a total of 409 wreaths for Wreaths Across America in 2017. The Hagans-Evans Chapter partnered with staff from the Fred Jenkins Funeral Home to plan a Ceremony of Remembrance on December 16 at the Oak Grove Cemetery to honor the 112 veterans buried there as part of the Wreaths Across America Organization's National Wreath Laying Day. They were joined by veterans from the local area including the Morgantown VFW Post 548, Westover VFW Post 9916, the Marine Corps League, VVA Chapter 977, and Camp Dawson, WVANG.

Jared Jenkins, owner of the Fred Jenkins Funeral Home said, "We remember all heroes in every location, but especially those locally. We want them to know that we value and sincerely appreciate their sacrifices; along with the Wreaths Across America Organization and its volunteers, we remember the fallen, honor those and the families of those who serve, and strive to teach our future generations about freedom and those who protect it." This was the fourth year that Jenkins and his staff organized a WAA ceremony at Monongalia County's Soldiers' War Memorial, located at the edge of the Oak Grove Cemetery in Morgantown, one of the County's oldest cemeteries. However, this was the first year that wreaths were able to be placed at gravesites following the ceremony. "We were approached by members of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Elizabeth Ludington Hagans-Col. John Evans Chapter, who kindly offered to raise funds so that wreaths could be placed at the graves of every known Veteran laid to rest at Oak Grove Cemetery. We truly appreciate their fundraising efforts on behalf of the Wreaths Across America Organization as well as their meaningful contributions to our local ceremony." The balance of the wreaths purchased were delivered to the historic Grafton National Cemetery in Grafton, WV. Regent Becky Davis from the Col. Zackquill Morgan Chapter and Carrie Fox, member, along with Hagans-Evans Chapter member Anna Chandler attended the ceremony and laid wreaths at Grafton.



The historic Oak Grove Cemetery has special significance to the Hagans-Evans Chapter, as both of its namesakes are buried there. Elizabeth Ludington Hagans was the first woman in West Virginia to join the DAR, and she was one of the first ten women to attend West Virginia University. The daughter of John Marshall Hagans, who was influential in the formation of the state of West Virginia, and the granddaughter of Waitman T. Willey, West Virginia's first senator, she died at the young age of 25 and is buried with other members of her family. Colonel John Evans settled in the area in 1769. He served with distinction in the Revolutionary War and later served as the County Clerk of

Monongalia County for 25 years. He encouraged education and was influential in the establishment of the Monongalia Academy. He has a prominent marker that identifies all of the members of his family. Oak Grove Cemetery also has the remains of two "Real Daughters"—women who were DAR members whose fathers were actually in the Revolutionary War—Susanna Guseman Cobun and Anne Mathiot Dorsey.

Both the Hagans-Evans and the Colonel Zackquill Morgan chapters are extremely supportive of our nation's veterans and are honored to work with Wreaths Across America to Remember-Honor-Teach.

Chapter News

Old Hickory Chapter



The Old Hickory Chapter celebrated National Salute to Veterans Patient Week. Six members pictured at left, Cindy Norman, Helen Johnson, Nancy Dalesio, Grace Parsons, Mary Pistelli, and Sally Blessings prepared and served lunch to homeless veterans in Huntington on February 16, 2018.



Mary Pistelli, chair of Service to Veterans Committee, is pictured with some of the veterans who enjoyed the lunch.



At the February meeting, the Old Hickory Chapter celebrated “Go Red for Women” to raise awareness of heart disease in women.

In addition to wearing red to our February chapter meeting, members donated 45 crocheted or knitted hats to the Little Hats, Big Hearts TM. Little Hats, Big Hearts TM, honors babies, moms, and heart-healthy lives in a very special way.



Chapter News

Elizabeth Ludington Hagans-Col. John Evans Chapter



The Elizabeth Ludington Hagans – Colonel John Evans Chapter, NSDAR, recently delivered Valentine balloons, cards, and cookies to 43 veterans in 5 local nursing homes.

This is the second year that the chapter has participated in the “Valentines for Veterans” project, and it was a wonderful opportunity to deliver a bit of mid-winter cheer and thank these veterans for their service to our country.

The Hagans-Evans Chapter is committed to honoring and helping our nation’s veterans in any way that it can. In response to the devastating hurricanes that hit the United States in the fall of 2017, the chapter donated \$400 in Kroger, Wal-Mart, and

VISA gift cards to veterans affected by Hurricane Harvey. These were sent to the VA Hospital in Houston, TX.

The chapter also adopted four veterans in a local assisted living facility, Evergreen, and delivered \$200 worth of presents to them (\$50 each) shortly before Christmas last year. The chapter also donated \$50 to the Elk River Chapter for them to purchase and put together packets of holiday cards to give to the veterans at the VA Medical Center in Clarksburg, WV for their use. The chapter has participated in many events honoring veterans, including 50th anniversary commemorations for the Vietnam War, Morgantown’s annual Veterans Day parade and ceremony, the annual Pearl Harbor Day commemoration at the mast of the U.S.S. West Virginia on the campus of West Virginia University, and the Memorial Day ceremony at the Soldiers’ Monument in Oak Grove Cemetery.

One of the chapter's biggest projects over the past year was fundraising for Wreaths Across America. Our main target cemetery was the historic Oak Grove Cemetery in Morgantown, which has veterans ranging from the Revolutionary War to Vietnam buried there. In addition to fundraising for the wreaths, we began the process of documenting the veterans buried in this cemetery, as there doesn't seem to be one complete list. So far, 112 veterans have been identified in this cemetery. Since enough money was raised for 409 wreaths, the "overflow" wreaths were designated for the Grafton National Cemetery. Ten members of the chapter participated in the DAR Wreaths Across America wreath-laying day on December 16, both at the Oak Grove Cemetery and the Grafton National Cemetery.

Pictured above L to R: Vicky Shears, Esther Starkey, Anne Smittle, Elaine Pickett, Braden Pickett, Susan Arnold, and Brenda Fisher. Stephanie Burns also participated but is not pictured.

Chapter News

Kanawha Valley Chapter



The Kanawha Valley Chapter loves veterans! In November 2017, we packed gift bags and delivered to each of the patients at the Huntington Veteran's Hospital. We enjoyed that so much, we assembled even more gift bags and passed out to the residents of the Barboursville Veteran's Memorial Hospital at our annual Valentine's Day lunch this past February. Our ladies brought a bounty of home

cooked dishes and served the men and women who are currently living there. Roger Rabalais and friends played music while the ladies mingled with the veterans and passed out gifts.

For the Wreaths Across America celebration, we raised funds to purchase and place wreaths at the graves at Donel C. Kinnard Memorial Cemetery in Dunbar, WV. We always love this event.



On February 13th, these lovely ladies competed in the Beignet Eating Fundraiser at the Mardi Gras Casino. Besides eating all they could eat, they raised money for their favorite charities. Kathie Bowling raised money for our chapter, Patty Young, for Wreaths Across America and Michelle raised money for New Hope Animal Rescue. I think they are ready for the Olympics!

John Young Chapter

The John Young Chapter presented the DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal to **Retired Brigadier General J. Kemp McLaughlin, Sr.** on December 7, his 99th birthday, in conjunction with the Air Guard's naming a C130 aircraft "The General Mac" in his honor. McLaughlin's son, daughter, and various dignitaries from The Air Guard and representatives from Senators Capito and Manchin were in attendance. A reception followed. The chapter invited him to their chapter meeting so members could meet the General. After his WWII experiences as a squadron leader in over 50 missions, McLaughlin founded the 130th Airlift Wing in Charleston with the WV Air Guard. The base has been renamed as McLaughlin Air Guard Base in his honor.

Chapter News

Matthew French Chapter

The Matthew French Chapter along with General Hugh Mercer Chapter Sons of American Revolution hosted a Christmas Open House and Baby Shower at “Brewster’s Caravansary for its December Meeting.

Each member was asked to bring a baby gift. Jennifer Tobia, Director of Mary’s Cradle was the guest speaker. “Mary’s Cradle” is a maternal and infant resource center that has served pregnant women and young families in Southwest Virginia and Southern West Virginia since 1995. It is located at Trinity United Methodist Church in Bluefield, West Virginia. A brunch was provided by Donna Brewster and Stella Mae Moon. Each DAR member was given a framed map of early settlers in the southern region of Virginia and West Virginia.



Barbara Wood hosted the February meeting at Ryan’s in Princeton on Saturday, February 24. Barbara gave an outstanding program on “PETS OF THE PRESIDENTS”. Did you know that one president had an alligator living in the White House? Also, three presidents never had pets in the White House. Barbara gave an outstanding program using pictures, her own doll collection of presidents and their first ladies.



Chapter News

Pack Horse Ford Chapter—102nd Anniversary

Pack Horse Ford Chapter celebrated its 102nd birthday during a luncheon on Saturday, February 17, 2018, at the Bavarian Inn. The chapter was organized in Shepherdstown on February 22, 1916 by Anna “Pink” Chapline Phillips.



Pack Horse Ford Chapter and Guests

Regent Kathy Sholl introduced several guests NSDAR Curator General Barbara Frankenberry; and Regent and members of the Fort Loudoun DAR Chapter, Winchester Virginia, including Three prospective members attended as well. Nearly 50 in attendance joined Regent Sholl and Chaplain Barbara Nickell in the opening ritual. In keeping with National and State DAR Society themes, Regent Sholl said, “We are proud to celebrate 102 years as a DAR Chapter. As we continue to support our youth, Veterans, and community, may we shine as stars of service.”

After lunch, announcements were made by the Regent. Regent Sholl read a thank you letter from the recipient of the Ruth Powers Thacher Scholarship Fund donated by the chapter and selected by The Shepherd University Foundation. Kearneysville resident Cierra Crock-

ett could not attend the luncheon, but wrote to the chapter that she felt extremely privileged to receive the scholarship.

Col. Kimberly A. Sencindiver, a member of the chapter, was presented with the DAR’s Distinguished Citizen Medal. Fellow chapter member Sarah Shafer, who wrote the nomination, detailed Col. Sencindiver’s accomplishments to the gathered audience. The DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal is only awarded to those who are or have served in the military. Col. Sencindiver has a long history of dedicated service, not only to the military, but to the civilian community as well. Col. Sencindiver began pursuing her passion for helping in emergency situations by becoming a firefighter in the 167th Air Wing in 1983. She continued to parallel her professional and personal activities to progress on this mission. In 1993 she was a founding member, and currently serves as President, of the EVAK K-9 Search & Rescue Team. Col. Sencindiver is an active member and annually volunteers to provide the chapter with transportation during the Christmas and July 4th parades in Shepherdstown parades.



Regent Kathy Sholl, Kim Sencindiver, Recipient of DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal, and Sarah Shafer

The program, “Colonial Nursing: Herbs and Potions” was given by guest speaker Lanette Rhodes. Rhodes was dressed in a beautifully handmade Colonial costume, including the underskirt, dress outer coat and hat. She displayed many bottles of herbs and potions used during colonial times, which surprising are still used today, such as pumpkin seed, jasmine, honey and quinine. Rhodes provided a brief history of diseases during the 1700’s and the herbs and potions to treat the illnesses. Assisted by Cheryl Dyksen, the audience learned how to form a pill from flour dough and lavender.

Continuing the celebration, Chapter Historian Cindy Nicewarner conducted the annual candle lighting ritual. The three candles, representing the past, present, and future, were lit by various Chapter members. In conclusion, Historian Nicewander said, “As the Pack Horse Ford Chapter commemorates 102 years, we continue to honor God, home, and country.”

Chapter News

James Wood Chapter

James Wood Chapter met February 3, 2018 at Parkersburg Country Club. Linda McClead spoke on Healthy Living by Design and gave nutritional tips and exercise advice on how to achieve and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Heather Scott Campbell was presented her twenty five year membership pin by Regent Carolyn Kesterson. Ms. Campbell was also an active member of the WVC.A.R. and is an Honorary State President.



James Wood Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution recognized senior Ian McKnight as the state winner in the annual Christopher Columbus Essay Contest. McKnight is a student at Parkersburg South High School and was presented a certificate at the awards assembly February 13, 2018. His winning essay, “Advantages and Disadvantages of Working Relationships Between Foreign Parties,” is now entered into judging at the East Central district level. Pictured left to right are Regent, Carolyn Kesterson, McKnight and Vice Regent, Jane Kesterson Richards.

McKnight was also the state winner last year and placed second at the national level. James Wood Chapter is very proud to have this young man represent us and also the state.





Our Stories...Patriot Tales

In the last edition of the WVDAR News, this Editor asked for some interesting tales and tidbits about your patriot as a way for all of us to share Our Stories! Thank you for the emails and keep them coming for future features!

This was submitted by Susan Arnold, Regent, Elizabeth Ludington Hagans-Colonel John Evans Chapter...

Two of my patriots are Edward and Sarah Cunningham (she is my only female patriot). Their service is officially described in the GRS as "Defenders of the Inhabitants of Harbert's Blockhouse 1778." However, here is how it is actually described in Withers' Chronicles of Border Warfare on pages 238-39:

On the third of March, 1778, some children, playing with a crippled crow at a short distance from the yard, espied a number of Indians proceeding towards them.....Just after the first Indian had entered (the blockhouse), an active young warrior, holding in his hand a tomahawk with a long spike at the end, also came in. Edward Cunningham instantly drew up his gun to shoot him; but it flashed, and they closed in doubtful strife. Both were active and athletic; and sensible of the high prize for which they were contending, each put forth his utmost strength, and strained his every nerve, to gain the ascendancy. For a while, the issue seemed doubtful. At length, by great exertion, Cunningham wrenched the tomahawk from the hand of the Indian, and buried the spike end to the handle, in his back. Mrs. Cunningham closed the contest. Seeing her husband struggling closely with the savage, she struck at him with an axe. The edge wounding his face severely, he loosened his hold, and made his way out of the house.

The third Indian, which had entered before the door was closed, presented an appearance almost as frightful as the object which he had in view. He wore a cap made of the unshorn front of a buffalo, with the ears and horns still attached to it, and which hanging loosely about his head, gave to him a most hideous aspect. On entering the room, this infernal monster, aimed a blow with his tomahawk at a Miss Reece, which alighting on her head, wounded her severely. The mother of this girl, seeing the uplifted arm about to descend on her daughter, seized the monster by the horns; but his false head coming readily off, she did not succeed in changing the direction of the weapon. The father then caught hold of him; but far inferior in strength and agility, he was soon thrown on the floor, and must have been killed, but for the timely interference of Cunningham. Having succeeded in ridding the room of one Indian, he wheeled, and sunk a tomahawk into the head of the other."



SNEAK PEEK!

**Here's a sneak peek of the new
State Regent's Gold Star Mother
Remembrance Project Quilt!**

What a beautiful creation!

**Voices will be sold at
State Conference!**



Changes or additions that have been made to DAR Chapter Officers or personnel should be reported to the Corresponding Secretary Marilyn "Susie" Rogers by May 1, 2018, to be included in the final Supplement to the WVDAR Directory which will be available at the District Meetings.

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AWARDS FOR STATE CONFERENCE

Deadline is Saturday, April 14

State Officers and State Chairmen—if you are giving awards, please send your list to Charla at charla.nutter@lmco.com



A reminder from our State Regent and General Conference Chairmen...the speed limit entering Canaan Valley is clearly posted!