

Call to Conference

West Virginia State Society Daughters of the American Revolution
Jane Jacobs Larke, State Regent
Sandra Isner-Johnson, State Vice Regent

Call to the One Hundred Twentieth State Conference
April 11-13, 2025, Bridgeport Conference Center, Bridgeport WV

CONFERENCE THEME:

“WVDAR ‘Sparkles’ for the Red, White & Blue”

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 Chairs, voting on recommendations and resolutions, and acting on such other business as may properly come before the Conference body.

Credentials/Registration – Bridgeport Conference Center

Friday, April 11, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 12, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Sales and Displays – Bridgeport Conference Center

Closed during all meals and business sessions

Friday, April 11, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 12, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Schedule of Events

Thursday, April 10, 2025

4:00 p.m. - Arrival and Check-In for Executive Committee and Conference Guests

6:30 p.m. – Dinner on your own

8:30 p.m. - Executive Committee Meeting

8:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. Hospitality Room Open

Friday, April 11, 2025

7:00 – 9:00 a.m. - Breakfast on your own

8:30 – 10:30 a.m. - Set up (Credentials, Registration, “DAR-lings Delights!” and Displays)

10:30 a.m. – Optional Museum Docent Programs

10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Registration, Display and “DAR-ling Delights!” areas open

12:00 noon - Cameo Club “Hats Off to America” Luncheon and Meeting

The Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center, 444 W. Pike St, Clarksburg, WV

ALL DAR members and guests are welcome to attend.

1:45 p.m. - Board of Management Meeting

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

TBD - Page Meeting and Flag Rehearsal

3:00 p.m. - State Officers Club Meeting

(Open to current and past state officers)

6:30 p.m. - "R.E.D." A Sparkling Celebration of America's Spirit " Dinner
8:15 p.m. - Processional Forms
8:30 p.m. - Opening Session of the 120th State Conference
Receiving Line Following the Opening Session – (remember your gloves)
At the close of the evening session - Hospitality Room Open until midnight

Saturday, April 12, 2025

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. - Chapter Regents' Club "Stars Stripes and Breakfast Bites" Breakfast and Meeting

ALL attendees are invited for the breakfast and may leave prior to the meeting.

8:50 a.m. - Processional Forms
9:00 a.m. - Conference Business Session
9:15 a.m. - Tour for State Conference Guests
12:00 noon - "Celebrating our Sparkling Stars" Luncheon
1:30 p.m. - Continuation of Business Session, if needed
2:00 – 2:30 p.m. – Voting
2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. - Workshop Session 1
3:15 – 4:00 p.m. Workshop Session 2
4:00 p.m. "DAR-lings Delight" closes
5:00 – 6:30 p.m. – Photographs
6:30 p.m. - "Hurray for the Red, White and Blue " Banquet
8:30 p.m. - Page Pool Party
At the close of the evening session – "Service in Seconds"" Service Project and Hospitality Room Open until midnight

Sunday, April 13, 2025

8:00 a.m. – Breakfast on your Own
9:00 a.m. - Memorial Service
10:00 a.m. - Closing Business Session, Induction of Newly Elected Officers

State Conference Fee

Each Chapter shall have paid dues for each member and must have paid the Chapter conference fee (\$1 per member) for the current year. Any chapter whose state dues, assessments and conference fees have not been paid prior to December 1 shall not be entitled to representation at the State Conference.

Representation at Conference

Each Chapter shall be entitled to be represented at any meeting of the State Conference by three times as many delegates and alternates as at the previous Continental Congress. The number of voting delegates from the chapter is determined by the number of members whose dues have been paid to the State Treasurer by check or money order showing a postmark date no later than December 1. One of the delegates shall be the Regent, Vice Regent, or Regent's alternate.
(Article VIII, Section 4)

Credentials

State Chair – Rebecca Davis, 1910 Lazzelle Union Blvd., Madsville, WV 26541-8017. Please return one copy of the credential form to the State Chair by **March 27, 2025**, and another copy to the State Regent as directed on the form. Each Chapter Delegate and alternate must present with proper identification to the Credentials Table in the registration area.

Registration

All attendees are asked to register by **March 27, 2025** using the meal reservation form. This is a new policy and will enable us to prepare nametags for participants prior to the start of conference.

Meal Reservations

Enclosed with the Call to Conference is the meal reservation form that lists the meal functions and prices. Prices quoted include gratuity. Deadline for meal reservations is **March 27, 2025**. Requests for cancellations or refunds must be made no later than **March 27, 2025**. Reservations should be mailed to: **Cheryl Higgins, 293 Columbia St., West Union, WV 26456**.

Hotel Reservations

Room reservations are to be made directly with the Wingate by Wyndham hotel by using the following information: **Group name: WVDAR State Conference; Block Code: 041025WVA; Phone: 800-228-1000** (central office) or **304-808-1000** (local number). The last day to make reservations at the block rate is **March 9, 2025**. Reservations made after that date will be determined by availability and are not guaranteed the WVDAR State Conference rate.

Reports

Executive Committee members, District Directors, Chapter Regents and State Chairs shall prepare and submit a report for the State Conference of her work since April 8, 2024. Reports shall be prepared using Times New Roman font, size 12, double spaced on one side of an 8.5” x 11” paper with a 1.5” left margin. Reports shall be no more than 500 words. Prepare three (3) copies of the report and email one copy to: Katherine Genung, katherine@Twogenungs.com, and one copy to Jane Larke, jane.larke@gmail.com. Keep a copy for your files. Reports must be received no later than **March 6, 2025**.

This State Conference will emphasize work done related to the goals of patriotism. Oral reports, except for those of State Officers, will not be given at State Conference. Chapter Regents are asked to send a short statement with a photo, if available, highlighting one activity or event her chapter has completed or attended relating to patriotism since April 7, 2024. Email to: Katherine Genung, katherine@twogenungs.com by **March 6, 2025**.

Voting Body

The voting members of the State Conference or at any special meeting of the State Society shall be its elected Officers, District Directors, and Honorary State Regents as specified in our bylaws; the national officers and honorary national officers whose membership is within the State; the Chapter Regents, or in their absence, the Vice or First Vice Regent or alternate, and the elected

delegates or alternates of each chapter of the State Society entitled to representation at the Continental Congress or special meetings of the National Society (Article VIII, Section 5).

Awards

State Officers and Chairs planning to present awards at the 120th State Conference must submit the name of the recipient, committee person giving award, designation of award (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) to Jane Larke, jane.larke@gmail.com. Deadline is **March 6, 2025**. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Certificates must be picked up from the basket at the registration table to be signed by the proper State Chair or State Officer on Friday, **April 11, 2025** and returned to the same basket on the registration table. District Directors are responsible for the distribution of all unclaimed certificates for all Chapters in their district.

Exhibits/Sales

Exhibits, Displays, and Sales Tables will be in the Conference Lobby and Conference Suites. If interested in volunteering to help at the tables, please contact the State Conference Chair, or coordinate with the committee chair responsible for the exhibit/sale directly.

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 120th State Conference! Page invitations will be sent to those whose names have been sent to the State Regent. Send names by email to jane.larke@gmail.com by **March 1, 2025**.

Hostess Chapters

The Chapters of the Northern District will serve as the official hostesses of the 120th State Conference. Those Chapters are Anne Royall, Blennerhassett, Colonel William Lowther, James Wood, Ohio Valley, and Wheeling. Lucinda "Tina" Seese is District Director. Conference chairs are Malinda "Mindy" Davis and Charla Nutter McNaboe.

West Virginia Chorus

Calling all Voices! Those wishing to sing with the West Virginia Chorus should contact the 2025 WVDAR Chorus Director, Selma Humphreys, thebeareslady@yahoo.com by **March 1, 2025**.

Memorial Service

Please email Barbara Holt, jbjmmj@yahoo.com, with any names of deceased members that have not been reported to national. Also please let her know if any of your deceased members were past National or State Officers, or if they served as a Chapter Regent. Please contact her by **March 21, 2025**.

Chapter Press Books and Scrapbooks

Please bring your Chapter's Press Book and/or Scrapbook to the Conference Lobby on Friday, April 11, 2025, before 4 p.m. The books will be judged on Saturday and the winners will be announced during the "Hurray for the Red, White & Blue" Banquet on Saturday, April 12, 2025.

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. Obituaries of Chapter members are permitted if DAR is mentioned. Please include one typed page that describes the number of inches of type that the Chapter received from April 8, 2024 – March 6, 2025. On the first page of the book include the name of the Chapter, the dates covered, and the names of the Chapter Regent and Press Book chair. No Clip Art. Judging will be on the number 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 first page of the scrapbook must include the name of the Chapter, location of the Chapter, and the names of the Chapter Regent and Scrapbook chair. With all photographs, please neatly identify members and the activity. Scrapbooks should contain activities and events from April 8, 2024 – March 6, 2025 only. Graphics and clip art are encouraged.

**Reminder – all Press Books and Scrapbooks will be divided into 3 divisions based on size of Chapter: 1-49 members in Small Chapter Division; and 50+ members in Large Chapter Division. Computer done photobooks will be judged in their own category.*

“Dar-Lings Delights!”

Once again, we will have this great fundraiser! All proceeds (unless noted otherwise) 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.

****Due to space and time restrictions, please limit your donations to no more than three (3) items per State Officer, District Director, State Chair, and Chapter! 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 120th WVDAR State Conference!



Jane

Calendar at a Glance

March 1

- Pages names to Jane Larke
- Choir names to Selma Humphreys

March 6

- Awards to Jane Larke
- Reports to Katherine Genung

March 9

- Last day to make Hotel Reservations at the Block Rate

March 21

- Memorial names to Barbara Holt

March 27

- Credentials to Rebecca Davis
- Registration and Meal Reservations to Cheryl Higgins

April 10

- Executive Board Committee Meeting

April 11

- State Conference Begins
- Scrapbooks and Pressbooks to Conference Lobby

Protocol Tips Did you know?

1. Always stand when the State Regent is introduced.
2. Your State Regent is the highest-ranking officer of your state and is ALWAYS introduced first.
3. Let dignitaries (ladies with sashes) go ahead of you on the elevator or in line.
4. Once the State Regent has processed down the center aisle, do not enter the center aisle. If needed, leave by the side aisles.
5. Salute and follow the Flag of the United States any time it moves.
6. Do not hold anything in your left hand when saluting the Flag of the United States.
7. When presenting a report, address the chair only – “Madam State Regent” NOT “Madam State Regent, members, and guests.”

Suggested Wear for Selected Events

Daytime Events – Suits, Dresses, Dressy Slacks, **Hats Optional for Cameo Club

Dinners and Banquets – Formal, Semi-Formal, Dressy

Friday Night Receiving Line – Don’t forget your gloves

Sunday Memorial Service – Same as Daytime **Hats Optional for Memorial Session

Restaurants in the vicinity of State Conference for Thursday Night or Friday Breakfast

Miskycha	139 Conference Center Way, Bridgeport, WV	(304) 677-9767
Meagher's Irish Pub	26 Betten Ct, Bridgeport, WV	(304) 848-9200
Buffalo Wild Wings	45 Betten Ct, Bridgeport, WV	(304) 808-6453
Dairy Queen	51 Genesis Blvd, Bridgeport, WV	(304) 808-6651
Dunkin'	50 Genesis Blvd, Bridgeport, WV	(304) 808-6005
Tudor's Biscuit World	1521 Johnson Ave, Bridgeport, WV	(304) 842-9114
Pasta House	200 Main St, Bridgeport, WV	(304) 332-3333
The Prime Rib	150 Main St, Bridgeport	(304) 332-2222
The Wonder Bar Steakhouse	1012 Wonderbar Rd, Clarksburg, WV	(304) 622-1451

West Virginia State Society DAR

The nominating committee consisting of Tina Seese, Northern District and Chair, Kathy Kidd, Central District, Barby Frankenberry, Eastern District, Samantha Shleser, Southern District and Joanna McKown, Western District would like to present your slate of officers for 2025-2028 term.

State Regent – Sandra Isner-Johnson – Old Hickory – Western District

State Vice Regent – Mary Johnson – Anne Bailey – Western District

Chaplin – Mary Ellen Brown – Blennerhassett – Northern District

Recording Secretary – Stella Moon – Matthew French – Southern District

Corresponding Secretary – Deborah Burge – Old Hickory – Western District

Organizing Secretary – Georgette Ward – Elizabeth Zane – Central District

Treasurer – Annetta Siers – Anne Royall – Northern District

Registrar – Heidi Ware – Bee Line – Eastern District

Historian – Barbara Channell – Colonel Morgan Morgan – Central District

Librarian – Teresa “Terry” Noland – Captain James Allen – Southern District

WV State Society Elected Nominating Committee



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Yvonne Liser
State Regent DC



Virginia Sebastian Storage
First Vice President General



Christina Bannon
State Regent IL

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State Conference 2025



Meet our Conference Guests

120th WVDAR State Conference Registration and Meal Reservations

Bridgeport Conference Center, Bridgeport, WV, April 11-13, 2025

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Please use the top of this form to register for State Conference. Each attendee is asked to register.

Registration:

Name _____ Title _____
Address _____ Phone _____
Chapter _____ Email _____

Meal Selection. Please indicate your choice of meal below.

Date	Time	Event	Price
Friday April 11, 2025	Noon	Cameo Club "Hats Off to America" Luncheon & Meeting <input type="checkbox"/> Tri-salad on greens with mini croissant, fruit, cake	30
Friday April 11, 2025	6:30 pm	"R.E.D." Banquet House salad, Rolls & Butter, New York Cheesecake with <input type="checkbox"/> Roast Chicken Breast <input type="checkbox"/> Pasta Primavera	38
Saturday April 12, 2025	8:30 am	"Stars, Stripes & Breakfast Bites" Combined Breakfast <input type="checkbox"/> Classic American (Fruit, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Brown Potatoes, Bacon)	25
Saturday April 12, 2025	Noon	"Celebrating Our Sparkling Stars" Awards Luncheon Broccoli Cheddar Soup, salad, Cookie/Brownie and choice of ½ sandwich <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Bacon Ranch Wrap (Grilled Chicken, Crisp Bacon, Cheddar Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Ranch Dressing) <input type="checkbox"/> Roast Beef on Ciabatta (Shaved Roast Beef, Lettuce, Tomato, Provolone Cheese, Pesto Mayo) <input type="checkbox"/> Veggie Wrap (Marinated Tomatoes, Avocado, Lettuce, Charred Onions, Boursin Spread)	30
Saturday April 12, 2025	6:30 PM	Hurray for the "Red White & Blue" Banquet Baby Spinach Salad, Rolls & Butter, Apple Tart with <input type="checkbox"/> Pork Tenderloin <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffed Baked Manicotti	38
Total Enclosed			

Meal Reservations must be received by **March 29, 2025**

Make checks payable to: WVDAR State Treasurer

Mail to: Cheryl Higgins, 293 Columbia Avenue, West Union, WV 26456

Please check if you have any dietary restrictions that you would like to make us aware and note the type of restriction below. Continue on back, if needed _____