American Indians Committee

State Committee Chair

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The NSDAR American Indians Committee is entrusted to the continuing Education of the history and culture of this community as well as the Support of the educational and cultural pursuits of its citizens.



Sparkle in Service to Honor and Serve the original inhabitants of this land.



Members can educate themselves and the general public by promoting cultural activities and providing financial or material assistance to programs supported by the DAR.

In September, join KSDAR to honor and serve the students at **Haskell Indian Nations University** and participate in the annual donation drive. *Donations will be collected at the KS DAR State September Meeting.*

Suggested donations:

*Walmart Gift Cards (with amount written on them)

Laundry Pods

Dryer Sheets

Hand Soap

Shampoo and Conditioner

Toothbrushes

Toothpaste

Shavers – Ladies and Men's

Please note: Because all notes and assignments are electronic, no copy or notebook paper, spirals, folders, pens, or pencils are needed.

In addition, Haskell is not accepting snacks currently.

Mark your calendar now and make plans to attend the Indian Art Market September 3 and 4th at Haskell and support 100 artists in pottery, paintings, basket and rug weaving and beadwork. Admission is free!!

November is "Native American Heritage Recognition Month." Suggested activities include:

- A special chapter or public program on a Native American subject.
- Have a proclamation signed. A <u>writable proclamation</u> is now available on the Forms page.
- Submit public service announcements to radio, television, or print media.

GRANTS and SCHOLARSHIPS

There are grants available for qualifying Native American projects.

Share information about <u>scholarships</u> available to Native American students with your chapter and in your community. The application process is entirely online through the <u>Academic Works portal</u>, which is open November 1 through January 31 annually.

- The **American Indian Scholarship** for \$4,000.00 (may be more than one awarded each year) which requires a 3.25 GPA and has a deadline of January 31. Contact americanindianschool@nsdar.org for information from the National Vice Chair.
- The Frances Crawford Marvin American Indian Scholarship (one awarded per year) to a Native American with proof of American Indian blood student with a 3.25 GPA requirement. A candidate for this scholarship must be enrolled full time at a 2- or 4-year college or university. Deadline is January 31. Contact the National Vice Chair Femarvinamericanindiansscholarship@nsdar.org for information.
- Anne Trevarthen Memorial Scholarship This one-time scholarship will be presented each April to a high school senior who will be attending the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. Eligible applicants must demonstrate a personal connection to American Indian culture and traditions as well as evidence of personal commitment to celebrating diversity and to bridging differences between disparate groups. The scholarship amount is based on the annual return of the endowment and is administered by the college. For further information please contact the College of William and Mary Office of Admissions at (757) 221-4223.