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## AMERICAN REVOLUTION 2023-2024



Celebrate Stars & Stripes Forever! Rejoice in our DAR Ties of Service and Friendship National Theme for 2022-2025

> A Legacy of Liberty **KSDAR Theme for 2022-2025**

Compiled and Edited by Rebecca Kline - State Regent Rebecca Spaulding - State Recording Secretary This edition is dedicated to over three hundred Kansas Daughters who have served or serving the Society in leadership roles as officers, chairs, co-chairs, vice chairs, committee members, and special teams.

You have Held the Torch High in illuminating opportunities for service leaving a strong Legacy for Daughters to follow.



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Vice Regent – Denise McNickle Bullock

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Recording Secretary – Rebecca Valliere Spaulding

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Organizing Secretary – Patricia Kennedy Unruh

Treasurer – Tena Ramsour Brucken

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#### **National Officers from Kansas**

National Officers from Kansas	
President General	
*Sarah Mitchell Thacher Guernsey	1917-1920
First Vice President General	
*Leda Ferrell Rex	1950-1953
*Roberta Cooke Kilbourn	1965-1968
Chaplain General	
*Leda Ferrell Rex	1938-1941
Corresponding Secretary General	
*Connie Routh Decker	1983-1986
Kathryn Walker West	2019-2022
Registrar General	
*Mary Govier Ainsworth Kennedy	1956-1959
Patricia Eddy Carpenter	2010-2013
Mary Bannister Frisch	2016-2019
Historian General	
*Roberta Cooke Kilbourn	1962-1965
Librarian General	
*Mary Carswell Lempenau	1971-1974
Curator General	
Susan Lee Metzger	2022-2025
<b>Honorary Vice President General</b>	
*Esther Thayer Kirkpatrick	1956-1963
*Betty Wynn McGehee	2001-2014
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Vice President General	
*Emma Hills Stanley	1908-1910
*Catherine Campbell	1921-1924
*Olive Decatur Campbell	1929-1932
*Esther Thayer Kirkpatrick	1933–1936
*Marion Eleanor Seelye	1940–1943
*Ruth Norris Berger	1944–1946
*Leda Ferrell Rex	1947–1950
*Mary Govier Kennedy Ainsworth	1951–1954
*Dorothy Berryman Shrewder	1954–1957
*Marie Robinson Abels	1957-1960
*Pauline Cowger	1965-1968
*Lucille Albright Johnson	1977-1980
*Kathryn Kahoe Compton	1986-1989

*Sally Schmidt Riden	1990-1993
*Betty Wynn McGehee	1993-1996
*Ruth Keys Clark	1996-1999
Patricia Dorsch Traffas	1999-2002
Patricia Eddy Carpenter	2004-2007
Mary Bannister Frisch	2013-2016

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## Past State Regents

*Martha Scott Hand, <i>Topeka</i>	1894-1899
*Katherine Sterling Lewis, Eunice Sterling	1899-1901
*Lucy Brown Johnston, <i>Topeka</i>	1901
*Fannie Geiger Thompson, <i>Topeka</i>	1901-1903
+*Emma Hills Stanley, Eunice Sterling	1903-1908
*Ruth Emma Johns, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	1908-1909
+*Grace Ruth Meeker, General Edward Hand	1909
+*Sarah E. Mitchell Guernsey, Esther Lowrey	1909-1917
+*Catherine Campbell, General Edward Hand	1917-1921
+*Sarah E. Mitchell Guernsey, Esther Lowrey	1921-1923
*Olive Decatur Campbell, Eunice Sterling	1923-1929
+*Esther Thayer Kirkpatrick, Susannah French Putney	1929-1933
*Genevieve L. Pendleton, General Edward Hand	1933-1934
+*Leda Ferrell Rex, Wichita	1934-1938
+*Marion Eleanor Seelye, <i>Abilene</i>	1938-1940
+*Ruth Norris Berger, Betty Bonney	1940-1944
+*Dorothy Berryman Shrewder, Fort Supply Trail	1944-1948
+*Mary L. Govier Ainsworth, Eunice Sterling	1948-1950
+*Nellie Morgan von der Heiden, Newton	1950-1953
+*Marie Robinson Abels, Betty Washington	1953-1956
+*Maude Haver Davis, Isabella Weldin	1956-1959
+*Roberta Cooke Kilbourn, <i>Sterling</i>	1959-1962
+*Pauline Cowger, Mary Wade Strother	1962-1965
+*Mildred Sweney Huffman, Eunice Sterling	1965-1968
+*Mary Carswell Lempenau, Topeka	1968-1971
+*Esther Dorgan Casey, Council Oak	1971-1974
+*Lucille Albright Johnson, <i>Uvedale</i>	1974-1977
+*Isabel Dodd McGuire, Shawnee Mission	1977-1980
+*Constance Routh Decker, Eunice Sterling	1980-1983
+*Kathryn Kahoe Compton, Flores del Sol	1983-1986
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+*Sally Schmidt Riden, Mission Hills	1986-1989
+*Betty Wynn McGehee, Little Arkansas	1989-1992
+*Ruth Keys Clark, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	1992-1995
+Patricia Dorsch Traffas, Sarah Steward	1995-1998
+Alice Frazier Walker, Four Winds	1998-2001
+Patricia Eddy Carpenter, Prairie Flint Hills	2001-2004
+*Sammy King Cope, Cimarron River Valley	2004-2007
+Shirley S. Coupal, Nathan Edson	2007-2010
+Mary Bannister Frisch, Mission Hills	2010-2013
+Brenda Judd Dooley, Desire Tobey Sears	2013-2016
+Kathryn Walker West, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	2016-2019
+Susan Lee Metzger, Polly Ogden	2019-2022

### +Honorary State Regent, \*Deceased

### **Past State Vice Regents**

Jeanette Huntington Ware, Topeka	1904-1906
Isabelle Cone Harvey, Topeka	1906-1908
Christina Elliot Deming, Hannah Jameson	1908-1909
Pamelia Dana Hord, Hannah Jameson	1909-1910
Lillian Popenoe Hall, Betty Washington	1910-1913
Effie Hiatt van Tuyl, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	1913-1915
Martha Jaqueth Kiene, Topeka	1915-1917
Ladie Caruthers Simonton, Molly Foster Berry	1917-1921
Olive Decatur Campbell, Eunice Sterling	1921-1923
May McLatchey Peppmeyer, Topeka	1923-1927
Esther Thayer Kirkpatrick, Susannah French Putney	1927-1929
Genevieve Lingard Pendleton, General Edward Hand	1929-1933
Leda Ferrell Rex, Wichita	1933-1934
Adelaide Jane Morse, Emporia	1935-1936
Marion Eleanor Seelye, Abilene	1936-1938
Ruth Norris Berger, Betty Bonney	1938-1940
Dorothy Berryman Shrewder, Fort Supply Trail	1940-1944
Virginia Bostick McArthur, Uvedale	1944-1946
Helen B. Riley Ferrell, Eunice Sterling	1946-1948
Ruth Burge Kambach, Topeka	1948-1950
Lelah Luther Klein, Dodge City	1950-1953
Maude Haver, Isabella Weldin	1953-1956
Roberta Cooke Kilbourn, Sterling	1956-1959

Mabell Beiber Doyle, Hannah Jameson	1959-1962
Vera Laughlin Greenlease, Tomahawk	1962-1965
Lucile Osborn Rust, Polly Ogden	1965-1968
Esther Dorgan Casey, Council Oak	1968-1971
Lucille Albright Johnson, Uvedale	1971-1974
Isabel Dodd McGuire, Shawnee Mission	1974-1977
Constance Routh Decker, Eunice Sterling	1977-1980
Kathryn Kahoe Compton, Flores del Sol	1980-1983
Sally Schmidt Riden, Mission Hills	1983-1986
Patricia Williams Stone, Eunice Sterling	1986-1989
Susan Bonebrake Kaufman, Newton	1989-1992
Patricia A. Dorsch Traffas, Sarah Steward	1992-1995
Alice A. Frazier Walker, Four Winds	1995-1998
Patricia A. Eddy Carpenter, Prairie Flint Hills	1998-2001
Sammy King Cope, Cimarron River Valley	2001-2004
Shirley S. Coupal, Nathan Edson	2004-2007
M. Jean Jenkins Ramirez, Sagamore	2007-2008
Anne Edmondson Barbour, James Ross	2008-2010
Brenda Judd Dooley, Desire Tobey Sears	2010-2013
Kathryn Walker West, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	2013-2016
Susan Lee Metzger, Polly Ogden	2016-2019
Rebecca Geist Kline, Prairie Rose	2019-2022
Past State Chaplains	
Anna M. Boughton, <i>Topeka</i>	1899
Jennie Meeker Ward, General Edward Hand	1904
Luella A. Johnson Kimball, Eunice Sterling	1905
Sallie Houston Carr, Hannah Jameson	1906
Mary A. Sawyer Horton, <i>Topeka</i>	1907
Frances McGill Goodrich, Esther Lowrey	1908
Nancy J. Frank Nelson, <i>Topeka</i>	1909
Mary Parker Lynch, Newton	1911
Elsina White Hunt, Rhoda Carver Barton	1912
Mary Leamer Snyder, Christiana Musser	1913
Rossela Sloane Martin, Betty Bonney	1913-1917
Mary Elizabeth Chandler, Esther Lowrey	1917-1923
Lilly M. Hendrickson, Atchison	1918
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Frances McGill Goodrich, Esther Lowrey

Kate Belinda Miles, Mary Wade Strother

Audrey McMillen Chaney, Topeka	1938-1940
Stella Reid McCamish, James Ross	1941-1944
Ruth Gibson Duphorne Traxel, Martha Vail	1944-1946
Stella B. Haines, Isabella Weldin	1946-1948
Nora LaGrant Jackman, Randolph Loving	1948-1950
Kathryn Hutcherson Campbell, James Ross	1950-1953
Edith Reynolds Thomas, Molly Foster Berry	1953-1956
Bertha McCreery Gabbert, Fort Supply Trail	1956-1958
Mildred Sweney Huffman, Eunice Sterling	1958-1962
Dorothy Blunt Henning, General Edward Hand	1962-1964
Ann Campbell Brown Cloninger, Eunice Sterling	1964-1965
LuLu "Peggy" Hellums Owen, Shawnee Mission	1965-1967
Margaret Edwards Gillaspie, Mission Hills	1967-1969
Lucille Lyon Biegert, Lois Warner	1969-1971
Myra King Roller, Hannah Jameson	1971-1974
Helen Bibb Myers, <i>Topeka</i>	1974-1977
Virginia Thompson Moon, Jane Dean Coffey	1977-1980
Colleen M. Ransour Anderson, Council Oak	1980-1983
Clara Darg Barta, Mary Wade Strother	1983-1986
Katherine L. Rhoades Rogers, Courtney-Spalding	1986-1989
Jane Dunham Beal, Betty Washington	1989-1992
Vanatta F. Baldock Standrich, Little Osage Trail	1992-1995
Roberta E. Oyler Hagemann, John Haupt	1995-1998
Peggy L. Slate Spafford, Desire Tobey Sears	1998-2001
M. Jean Jenkins Ramirez, Sagamore	2001-2004
Glenda Sims Torkelson, Atchison	2004-2007
Margaret Lieb Huffman, Arthur Barrett	2007-2010
Kristi Wolters Kocher, Sarah Stewart	2010-2013
Jean Waugh Mowen, Marais des Cygnes	2013-2016
Denise McNickle Bullock, Sagamore	2016-2019
Retha Strnad Blecha, Desire Tobey Sears	2019-2022
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Past State Recording Secretaries	
Julia Smith Daniels, <i>Topeka</i>	1899
Anna Dick Rodgers, <i>Topeka</i>	1902
Augusta Hall Kemper, Betty Washington	1903
Zu Adams, <i>Topeka</i>	1903-1904
Grace Ruth Meeker, General Edward Hand	1904-1909

1909-1913

Abigail Wilcox McKee, Newton

Agnes Thompson, Betty Washington	1913-1917
Adelaide Jane Morse, Emporia	1917-1929
Madge Lane Lawrence, Council Oak	1929-1933
Adelaide Chipman Laird, Dodge City	1933-1940
M. Blanche Ferrell Ryan, Eunice Sterling	1940-1942
Helen B. Riley Ferrell, Eunice Sterling	1942-1946
Ruth Whitaker Hopson, Phebe Dustin	1946-1948
Grace W. Curry Simpson, Henry Dawson	1948-1950
Roberta Cooke Kilbourn, Sterling	1950-1953
Gladys Whitaker Jenson, John Athey	1953-1954
Edith Carr Naylor, James Ross	1954-1956
Pauline Cowger, Mary Wade Strother	1956-1959
Corinne V. Painter Pearson, James Ross	1959-1962
Lourie Shoffner Frederick, <i>Uvedale</i>	1962-1965
Esther Dorgan Casey, Council Oak	1965-1968
Lucille Albright Johnson, Uvedale	1968-1971
Naomi Youel Nielson, Sterling	1971-1973
Edith C. Crawford Garey, Kanza	1973-1974
Lillian Ion Rowe, Dana	1974-1976
Clara Darg Barta, Mary Wade Strother	1976-1977
Barbara Anderson Dew, General Edward Hand	1977-1980
Sally Schmidt Riden, Mission Hills	1980-1983
Thelma Duvall Carpenter, John Haupt	1983-1986
Jane Dunham Beal, Betty Washington	1986-1989
Ruby Bigler Mayden, Mary Wade Strother	1989-1992
Patricia J. Parsons Ream, Eunice Sterling	1992-1995
B. Corrine Latta Afton, Isabella Weldin	1995-1998
Shirley S. Coupal, <i>Nathan Edson</i>	1998-2001
Margaret Lieb Huffman, Arthur Barrett	2001-2004
Brenda Judd Dooley, <i>Desire Tobey Sears</i>	2004-2007
Kathryn Walker West, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	2007-2010
Merlene Baird, Fort Larned	2010-2011
Kathryn Walker West, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	2011-2013
Bonnie Ellis Hitchcock, James Ross	2013-2016
Kimberly Ann Patrick, <i>Olathe</i>	2016-2019
Margaret "Peggi" Barrett, Nathan Edson	2019-2022
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**Past State Corresponding Secretaries** 

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Elizabeth Barnett Bittmann, Esther Lowrey	1913-1917
Alma Anthony, General Edward Hand	1917-1921
Caroline Baylies Lochmiller, Esther Lowrey	1921-1923
Grace Whitlock Culp, Eunice Sterling	1923-1929
Edith Chesney, Susannah French Putney	1929-1933
Florence Potts King, General Edward Hand	1933-1935
M. Blanche Ferrell Ryan, Eunice Sterling	1935-1936
Kittie M. Taylor Cronkhite, Wichita	1936-1938
Maurine Morley Cruse, Abilene	1938-1940
Olivette Sturth Stricklen, Betty Bonney	1940-1944
Melville Campbell Harper, Fort Supply Trail	1944-1947
Ruth Gibson Duphorne Traxel, Martha Vail	1947-1948
Mary Bovard Hartley, Eunice Sterling	1948-1950
Lucile W. Parmenter Heffelfinger, Newton	1950-1953
Marcia Stanhope Baty, Betty Washington	1953-1956
Elizabeth Van Hook Stewart, Eunice Sterling	1956-1959
Sarah Tedder May, <i>Uvedale</i>	1959-1962
Marjorie I. Lemon Uphoff, Mary Wade Strother	1962-1965
Jane Ayres McAleavey, Martha Loving Ferrell	1965-1968
Mary Collins Knoop, John Haupt	1968-1971
Sunshine Young Gaddis, General Edward Hand	1971-1974
Dorothy H. Dart Byler, Newton	1974-1977
Ora Wade Baker, <i>Topeka</i>	1977-1980
Shirley Gibson Farney, <i>Tomahawk</i>	1980-1983
Velda Cannon Wymore, Martha Vail	1983-1986
Jacqueline Oliver Theis, Randolph Loving	1986-1989
Phyllis M. Caldwell Kippenberger, Isabella Weldin	1989-1992
Patricia A. Eddy Carpenter, Prairie Flint Hills	1992-1995
Leslie Underwood Odevseff, Flores del Sol	1995-1998
Sammy King Cope, Cimarron River Valley	1998-2001
Jean Waugh Mowen, Marais des Cygnes	2001-2004
Colleen M. Ramsour Anderson, Council Oak	2004-2007
Rebecca Goff Geist Kline, Prairie Rose	2007-2010
Stacy Lane Cope, Betty Washington	2010-2013
Karen Campbell Meredith, Ephraim Basehor	2013-2016
Monna Ruth Metzger, Council Oak	2016-2019
Kimberly Lees, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	2019-2020
Patti Unruh, Newton	2021-2022

Past State Organizing Secretaries	
Helen A. Fell Kershner, Fort Larned	1977-1980
Elaine Gaddis Oakleaf, General Edward Hand	1980-1983
Patricia Williams Stone, Eunice Sterling	1983-1986
Gayleen Truman Shelton-Sullivan, Esther Lowrey	1986-1989
Hazel I. Fields Myers, Sagamore	1989-1992
Peggy Slate Spafford, Desire Tobey Sears	1992-1995
M. Jean Jenkins Ramirez, Sagamore	1995-1998
Dorothea Bauer Schweiger, Prairie Rose	1998-2001
Carol Duer Cochran, Shawnee Mission	2001-2004
Anne Edmondson Barbour, James Ross	2004-2007
Mary Bannister Frisch, Mission Hills	2007-2010
Marlys Price Hankins, Three Trails West	2010-2013
Ellen Fiedler Estes, Randolph Loving	2013-2016
Stacy Lane Cope, Cimarron River Valley	2016-2019
Denise McNickle Bullock, Sagamore	2019-2022
Past State Treasurers	
Lillian Popenoe Hall, Betty Washington	1903-1909
Lyda Dorrington VanDoren, Christiana Musser	1909-1913
Catherine Campbell, General Edward Hand	1913-1917
Cordelia Paull Lawton, Newton	1917-1919
Ethel E. Casad Larkin, Oceanus Hopkins	1919-1929
Marion Eleanor Seelye, Abilene	1929-1936
Edith Chesney, Susannah French Putney	1936-1937
Dorothy Dunlap Houghton, Eunice Sterling	1937-1940
Ruth Gibson Duphorne Traxel, Martha Vail	1940-1944
Lucile Plowman Wassam, Jane Dean Coffey	1944-1946
Ruth Burge Kambach, Topeka	1946-1948
Blanche Davis Mullin, Susannah French Putney	1948-1950
Maude Haver Davis, Isabella Weldin	1950-1951
Cecile E. Kaufman Caskey, Oceanus Hopkins	1951-1953
Mary Alice Luman Hesler, Uvedale	1953-1956
Ruth Howard Feller, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	1956-1959
Vera Laughlin Greenlease, Tomahawk	1959-1962
Elizabeth Hill Kessler, Mission Hills	1962-1965
Mary Carswell Lempenau, Topeka	1965-1968
Dorothy Countryman Lucas, Randolph Loving	1968-1971
Jacqueline Oliver Theis, Randolph Loving	1971-1974

Doris Laivellin Jackson, Four Winds	1974-1977
Naomi Utz Hootman Signaigo, James Ross	1977-1980
Velda Cannon Wymore, Martha Vail	1980-1983
Mildred Weed Riggs, Susannah French Putney	1983-1986
Gwendolyn Grant Braden, Prairie Rose	1986-1989
H. Ilene Barnaby Marrs, Martha Loving Ferrell	1989-1992
B. Corrine Latta Afton, Isabella Weldin	1992-1995
Patricia A. Eddy Carpenter, Prairie Flint Hills	1995-1998
Kathryn Walker West, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	1998-1999
Betty Ann Gault Hagen, Polly Ogden	1999-2001
Alvera Corey Reynolds, Three Trails West	2001-2002
Betty Ann Gault Hagen, Polly Ogden	2002-2004
Mary Bannister Frisch, Mission Hills	2004-2007
Jane E. Groves-Hurt, Shawnee Mission	2007-2010
Marilyn Ann Thele Rockel, <i>Olathe</i>	2010-2013
S. Dee Marshall, <i>Abilene</i>	2013-2016
Laura Corder Bond, Topeka	2016-2019
Janet Lake, Shawnee Mission	2019-2022
Past State Registrars	
<u> </u>	1905-1909
Zu Adams, Topeka	
Zu Adams, <i>Topeka</i> Minnie Blake Linscott, <i>Samuel Linscott</i>	1905-1909 1909-1921 1921-1929
Zu Adams, <i>Topeka</i> Minnie Blake Linscott, <i>Samuel Linscott</i> Olivia Ashley Beery, <i>Betty Washington</i>	1909-1921
Zu Adams, <i>Topeka</i> Minnie Blake Linscott, <i>Samuel Linscott</i> Olivia Ashley Beery, <i>Betty Washington</i> LuLu E. Purdy Gilson, <i>Emporia</i>	1909-1921 1921-1929
Zu Adams, <i>Topeka</i> Minnie Blake Linscott, <i>Samuel Linscott</i> Olivia Ashley Beery, <i>Betty Washington</i> LuLu E. Purdy Gilson, <i>Emporia</i> Ruth Norris Berger, <i>Betty Bonney</i>	1909-1921 1921-1929 1929-1933
Zu Adams, <i>Topeka</i> Minnie Blake Linscott, <i>Samuel Linscott</i> Olivia Ashley Beery, <i>Betty Washington</i> LuLu E. Purdy Gilson, <i>Emporia</i> Ruth Norris Berger, <i>Betty Bonney</i> Jennie Morgan Dickinson, <i>Oceanus Hopkins</i>	1909-1921 1921-1929 1929-1933 1933-1938 1938-1940
Zu Adams, <i>Topeka</i> Minnie Blake Linscott, <i>Samuel Linscott</i> Olivia Ashley Beery, <i>Betty Washington</i> LuLu E. Purdy Gilson, <i>Emporia</i> Ruth Norris Berger, <i>Betty Bonney</i> Jennie Morgan Dickinson, <i>Oceanus Hopkins</i> Virginia Bostick McArthur, <i>Uvedale</i>	1909-1921 1921-1929 1929-1933 1933-1938
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Dorothea Bauer Schweiger, Prairie Rose	1992-1995
Betty Jenkins Bendorf, Marais des Cygnes	1995-1998
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Peggy Slate Spafford, Desire Tobey Sears	2001-2004
Mary Hockenberry Camacho, Flores del Sol	2004-2007
Brenda Judd Dooley, Desire Tobey Sears	2007-2010
Margaret Richardson Bates, Prairie Rose	2010-2013
Mary Edith Hoyt, <i>Topeka</i>	2013-2016
Retha Strnad Blecha, Desire Tobey Sears	2016-2019
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Mary Ellen Stevens Adams, Atchison	1921-1927
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Imogene Pollock, Uvedale	1933-1936
Florence Potts King, General Edward Hand	1936-1940
Anne Den Bleyker Dellinger, Oceanus Hopkins	1940-1944
Ines E. Staneart Dixon, Oceanus Hopkins	1944-1948
Tillie Karns-Newman, Jane Dean Coffey	1948-1950
Elsie Austin Peschka, Jeremiah Howard	1950-1953
Frances R. McCort Williams, Arthur Barrett	1953-1956
Beulah Van Sant Chesney, Wichita	1956-1959
M. Helen Wagner Wilson, Concordia	1959-1962
Jennie V. McClure Ralston, Isabella Weldin	1962-1965
Theodora Holcomb Stebbins, Dana	1965-1968
Grace Smith Ostenberg, Dodge City	1968-1971
Constance Routh Decker, Eunice Sterling	1971-1974
Irene V. Bodley Haines, Wyandot	1974-1977
Virginia Weisgerber, Mary Wade Strother	1977-1980
Mildred Weed Riggs, Susannah French Putney	1980-1983
Carol Duer Cochran, Shawnee Mission	1983-1986
Hazel I. Fields Myers, Sagamore	1986-1989
Vanatta F. Baldock Standrich, Little Osage Trail	1989-1992
Getha Hancock Shoemake, Martha Vail	1992-1995

Shirley S. Coupal, Nathan Edson	1995-1998
Peggy Pauline McGuire Boggs, Topeka	1998-2001
Mary Hockenberry Camacho, Flores del Sol	2001-2004
Jean Waugh Mowen, Marais des Cygnes	2004-2005
Peggy Pauline McGuire Boggs, Topeka	2005-2007
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Susan Lee Metzger, Polly Ogden	2010-2013
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Rebecca Geist Kline, Prairie Rose	2016-2019
Monna Ruth Metzger, Council Oak	2019-2022
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Maude Vliet Neale, James Ross	1919-1929
Mary Twyman Klayder, Neodesha	1929-1936
Jennie Morgan Dickinson, Oceanus Hopkins	1936-1938
Dorothy Berryman Shrewder, Fort Supply Trail	1938-1940
J. June Jack Morgan, Emporia	1940-1942
Sylvia M. McCosh Hornbaker, Newton	1942-1946
Adah Daniel Gould, Molly Foster Berry	1946-1948
Lillian Ion Rowe, Dana	1948-1950
Delila Hayden Pinegar, William Wilson	1950-1953
Stella G. Dumas Blaser, <i>Minisa</i>	1953-1956
Beverly A. Smith Durr, Dodge City	1956-1959
Marie Henry Spires, Byrd Prewitt	1959-1960
Ile Chamberlain Schmidt, Dodge City	1960-1962
Gertrude Cleghorn Josserand, Dodge City	1962-1965
Florence Risinger Smith, Dodge City	1965-1968
Lois Holmes Cook, Martha Vail	1968-1971
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Ruth Boisseau Bird, Dodge City	1974-1975
Grace Smith Ostenberg, Dodge City	1975-1980
Miriam Genie Eads, Ninnescah	1980-1983
Verda Berry Thomas, William Wilson	1983-1986
Mary E. Buell Daniels, Sarah Steward	1986-1989
Norma J. Rowton Daniels, Dodge City	1989-1992
Alice A. Frazier Walker, Four Winds	1992-1995
Sammy King Cope, Cimarron River Valley	1995-1998
Ida Faye Wilkerson Eichman, Major Elijah Hyde	1998-2001
Betty Ann Gault Hagen, Polly Ogden	2001-2002

Norma J. Rowton Daniels, <i>Dodge City</i>	2002-2004
Jacqualine Woodson Dunham, Dodge City	2004-2007
Barbara Poteet Dale, Topeka	2007-2010
Patricia Winger Owens, Dodge City	2010-2013
Lynda Drum Fort, Byrd Prewitt	2013-2016
Sharon Swart Maurath, John Athey	2016-2019
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Past State Reporters	
Bess Murphy Elden, <i>Topeka</i>	1935-1936
Cornis Royston Reese, Newton	1936-1940
Lucille George Zimmerman, Henry Dawson	1940-1942
Hazel McGinnis Hall, Susannah French Putney	1942-1944
Helen L. Allphin Weilepp, General Edward Hand	1944-1948
Lucille Means Johnson, Mary Wade Strother	1948-1950
Mabel S. Fry, <i>Topeka</i>	1950-1951
Lois M. Johnson Cone, <i>Topeka</i>	1951-1953
Modena E. Noonan Crary, Henry Dawson	1953-1954
Elizabeth Abels Hazlett, John Haupt	1954-1956
G. Jean Seiler Reser, Lucretia Griswold Latimer	1956-1958
Dorothy Bennett Ingling MacConkey, Minisa	1958-1962
Mary Threlfall Smith, Minisa	1962-1965
Irene V. Bodley Haines, Wyandot	1965-1968
Mary L. Miller Neumann, Betty Bonney	1968-1969
Lida Eckdall Lees, Wyandot	1969-1971
Isabel Dodd McGuire, Shawnee Mission	1971-1974
Kathryn Kahoe Compton, Flores del Sol	1974-1977
Jacqueline Oliver Theis, Randolph Loving	1977-1980
Katherine L. Rhoades Rogers, Courtney-Spalding	1980-1983
Jean Boling Cain, Courtney-Spalding	1983-1986
Nelda Thompson Woodson Martinez, Martha Vail	1986-1989
Ruth Keys Clark, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	1989-1992
Faith Ann Shirey Shirley, Shawnee Mission	1992-1995
Helen C. Linder Neubert, Quivira Crossing	1995-1998
Elizabeth Ann Roark, Marais des Cygnes	1998-2001
Colleen M. Ramsour Anderson, Council Oak	2001-2004
Margaret Richardson Bates, Prairie Rose	2004-2007
Wanda Lee Gray Martin, Emporia	2007-2007
Susan Lee Metzger, Polly Ogden	2008-2010

Angela Marie Wells Anderson, Emporia	2010-2013
Jamie P. Barton, Isabella Weldin	2013-2016
Alice Merrick Bachand, Nathan Edson	2016-2019
Kimberly Ann Patrick, <i>Olathe</i>	2019-2022
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Karen Scheaffer, Isabella Weldin, Southeast District	2008
Stacy Cope, Betty Washington, Northeast District	2009
Susan Metzger, Polly Ogden, Northwest District	2010
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Kathryn West, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Northeast Distric	ct 2012
Janelle DeFrees, Capt. Jesse Leavenworth, Northeast Distric	
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Helen Nahrstedt, Sagamore, Northeast District	2015
Donna Roberts, Four Winds, Southeast District	2016
Kimberly Lees, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Northeast Distr	ict 2017
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Lori Graham, Mary Draper, Southwest District	2019
Laura Renfro, <i>Polly Ogden</i> , Northwest District	2020
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Diana Crouch, Courtney-Spalding, Northwest District	2022
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<b>Outstanding Junior Members</b>	
Margaret Peggy Blowers Enger, Tomahawk	1963
South Central Division Winner	
Mary Ellen Ash Rixey, Mission Hills	1964
Sunshine Elaine Gaddis, General Edward Hand	1965
Alice Elizabeth (Betty Wynn) McGehee, Minisa	1966
Nancy Denning Lewis Dean, Shawnee	1967
Connie Josephine Johns Miller, Flores del Sol	1968
Patricia Parsons Decker, Flores del Sol	1969
Sandra Kay Powell Stout, Eunice Sterling	1970
Molly Congdon Taylor, Shawnee Mission	1971
Elaine Gaddis Oakleaf, General Edward Hand	1972
Justine Colglazier Lewis, Uvedale	1973
South Central Division Winner, National Outstanding Junior	•
Patricia Lynn Parsons Decker, Flores del Sol	1974
South Central Division Winner	
Kathryn Ann Woods Carlson, Arthur Barrett	1975
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Diana Kay Imhof James, Courtney Spaulding	1976	
Linda Sue Gist Calvin, John Haupt	1977	
Isle Mona Halliburton Hartzler, Sagamore		
Elaine Gaddis Oakleaf, General Edward Hand	1979	
South Central Division Winner		
Barbara Lou Anderson Dew, General Edward Hand	1980	
Milly Ann Sisson Briggs, Topeka	1981	
South Central Division Winner		
Coleen Marie Ramsour Anderson, Council Oak	1982	
Donna Jean Vogt Overmiller, Sarah Steward	1983	
Donita Mae Steele Cohorst, Arthur Barrett	1984	
Patricia Ann Dorsch Traffas, Sarah Steward	1985	
Rebecca Goff Geist Kline, Prairie Rose	1986	
Dedee Diane Decker Wall, Randolph Loving	1987	
No State Winner	1988	
Jody Lynn Bosch Sellers, Council Oak	1989	
Kristi Russell Wolters Kocher, Sarah Steward	1990	
Rhonda Lee Hill Carter, Sagamore	1991	
Lynn Kathleen Torbert Baxter, Quivira Crossing	1992	
Jody Lynn Bosch Sellers, Council Oak	1993	
South Central Division Winner		
Leesa Lenhart Hettenbach, Abilene	1994	
Kathryn Ann Walker West, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	1995	
Kimbly Ann Bushman Clair, Captain Jesse Leavenworth	1996	
Laurie Aline Schweiger, Prairie Rose	1997	
Rebecca Jeanne Proctor Wempe, Topeka	1998	
Sandi Hillson Freidhof, Sagamore	1999	
No State Winner	2000	
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Stephanie Alexandra Davis Valent, Nathan Edson	2002	
Kari Ruth Torkelson Anderson, Atchison	2005	
Anne Miche, Atchison	2006	
Jenn Knopke, Prairie Rose	2007	
Annette Schaeffer, Isabella Weldin	2008	
Susan Lee Metzger, Polly Ogden	2009	
Angela Anderson, Emporia	2010	
Deana Sage, Betty Washington	2011	
Cynthia "Cara" Polsley, General Edward Hand	2012	
Amanda Jean Hoyt Tindell, <i>Topeka</i>	2013	

Theresa "Terri" Dominick, Captain Jesse Leavenworth		
Susannah Carter, Sagamore		
Jamie P. Barton, <i>Isabella Weldin</i> – National Finalist		
Haley Popelka, Desire Tobey Sears		2017
Jenae' Walker Templeman, Captain Jesse Leavenworth		2018
Jodi Bachand, Nathan Edson		2019
Karen Schneck, Captain J	'esse Leavenworth	2020
No State Winner		2021
Whitney Watts, Captain J	esse Leavenworth	2022
Haley Popelka, Desire To	bey Sears – National Finalist	2023
Jillian Pence, Sagamore		2024
Outstand	ling Volunteer Genealogists	
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Carol Cochran, <i>Shawnee 1</i>		2007
Janice Wichman, Polly Ogden		2009
Alice Hall, Captain Jesse		2010
Kimberly Kincaid, <i>Captai</i>		2010
Carol Cochran, Shawnee I		2012
Janice Wichman, Polly Og		2013
Phyllis Benedict, <i>Three Tr</i>		2014
Linda Jensen, Captain Jes		2013
Beverly Yates, <i>Shawnee M</i>		2020
Patricia Spencer, <i>Shawnee</i>		2021
Karen Schultz Williams, S		2022
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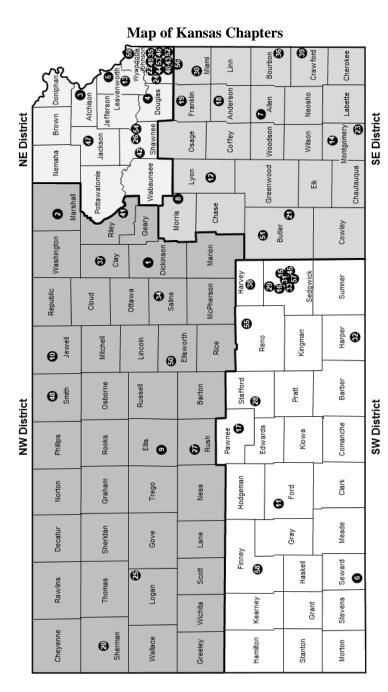


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Donna Parish			
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Kare Lyche			
5. CAPTAIN JESSE LEAVENWORTH, Leavenworth	Northeast		
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Stacy Cope	a		
7. COFACHIQUE, Iola	Southeast		
Linda Johnson	a		
8. COUNCIL OAK, Council Grove	Southeast		
Colleen Anderson	<b>37</b> (3		
9. COURTNEY-SPALDING, Hays	Northwest		
Karen McCune	<b>37</b> (3		
10. DESIRE TOBEY SEARS, Mankato	Northwest		
Haley Popelka	G 41 4		
11. DODGE CITY, Dodge City	Southwest		
Katie Schmidt	G 41 4		
12. EMPORIA, Emporia	Southeast		
Lori DeWinkler	<b>N</b> T 41 4		
13. EPHRAIM BASEHOR, Basehor	Northeast		
Jean Pinick	C - 414		
14. ESTHER LOWREY, Independence	Southeast		
Barbara Bushnell	G 41 4		
15. EUNICE STERLING, Wichita	Southwest		
Mary Ayers	G - 414		
16. FLORES DEL SOL, Wichita	Southwest		
Mary Jurey	G - 414		
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Donna Campbell	Southeast		
18. FOUR WINDS, Garnett	Southeast		
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19. GENERAL EDWARD HAND, Ottawa	Southeast		

Susan Davis

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Jane Philbrick	
21. ISABELLA WELDIN, Augusta	Southeast
Jamie Barton	
22. JAMES ROSS, Shawnee	Northeast
Diane Boeger	G 4 4
23. JANE DEAN COFFEY, Coffeyville	Southeast
Pamela Sanford	NI414
24. JOHN & HATTIE POSSUM, De Soto	Northeast
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Katana Ewbank	G 41 4
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Angelique Reilly	<b>N</b> T 41 4
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<b>48. SARAH STEWARD,</b> Smith Center	Northwest
Lillian Snodgrass	
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Leslie Harris	
50. SMOKY HILL, Ellsworth	Northwest
Debra Hulse	
51. SUSANNAH FRENCH PUTNEY, El Dorado	Southeast
Teresa Bachman	
<b>52. THREE TRAILS WEST,</b> Stilwell	Northeast
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<b>53. TOMAHAWK,</b> Prairie Village	Northeast
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<b>54. TOPEKA,</b> Topeka	Northeast
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# The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### **American's Creed**

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed, a democracy in a Republic, a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a Perfect Union, one and inseparable; Established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American Patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

William Tyler Page

## The Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America

We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish the Constitution for the Unites States of America.

## The Star-Spangled Banner

Oh, say can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming? Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight, O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming? And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air, gave proof through the night that our flag was still there. Oh, say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

## A LEGACY OF LIBERTY

## SCHEDULE of EVENTS

Friday, September 15, 2023

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12:30 p.m.	Registration Opens	Pre-Function West
1	Investment Committee State Chair Club	Board Room B
2:30-3:30 p.m.	Chapter Regent's Club	A
3:45-5 p.m.	Tour Historic Fort Hays	
5:00 p.m.	Sales Room Open	CD
5:30-6:30 p.m.	Liberty Dinner	CD
7-8:00 p.m. Dr. Susan Metzger, Curator General AB "What is Mentorship and How do we become an Outstanding		

8:15-9:45 p.m. Becky Spaulding, State Recording Secretary AB "Chapter Minutes in a Flash"

Mary Frisch, State Parliamentarian "Basic Parliamentary Rules"

Melissa Precht, State Reporter "Dial up the Sparkle in Newsletter Articles"

**Book Donations Pre-Function South** 



## Saturday, September 16, 2023

8:00 a.m.	Sales Room Open	CD
	Registration Open Board of Management Meeting	Pre-Function West
10-11:45 a.m.	De Williamson ~ National Vi	
	Daughters Online Community "What's the DOC?"	CD
12:15-1:15 p.n	n. Sparkle Luncheon Laura Renfro, State Correspo "Rejoicing in Congress Ties"	•
1:30-3:00 p.m.	.Dr. Jana Fallin, State Chair, N	Music Committee
"Enhance You	r Chapter with Sparkling Mus	
Laura Renfro, "Legacy in Ph	State Corresponding Secretary ilanthropy"	7
3:30 p.m.	District Meetings	
Southeast		A
Southwest		В
Northwest C		
Northeast D		

#### Southeast District:

Cofachique Linda Johnson Council Oak Colleen Anderson Lori DeWinkler Emporia **Esther Lowrey** Barbara Bushnell Four Winds Connie Becker General Edward Hand Susan Davis Isabella Weldin Jamie Barton Pamela Sanford Jane Dean Coffey Marais des Cygnes Pamela Hennigh Molly Foster Berry Barbara Ritter Oceanus Hopkins Jane Fletcher Susannah French Putnev Teresa Bachman Where the Trail Divides Mary Foley

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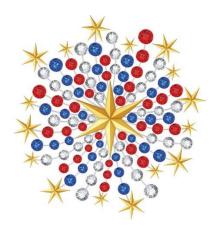
#### Northeast District:

Atchison Donna Parish **Betty Washington** Kare Lyche Captain Jesse Leavenworth Linda Jensen **Ephraim Basehor** Jean Pinick James Ross Diane Boeger John & Hattie Possum **Deborah Price** John Haupt Susan Kramer Mission Hills Lou Preston Olathe Melissa Precht Prairie Flint Hills Lisa Hinterweger Prairie Rose Jennifer Hunter **Quivira Crossing** Katana Ewbank Sagamore Jaculin Aaron Dorothy Be Dunnah Samuel Linscott Shawnee Mission Leslie Harris Three Trails West Anita Hempy Tomahawk Susan Cowan **Topeka** Gayla Hoyt Wyandot Stephanie Davis

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Chapter Development and Revitalization	Melissa Stuchlik
Children of the American Revolution	Amanda Tindell
Commemorative Events	Deborah Miller
Community Classroom	Mary Gilpin
Community Service Awards	Janet Alley
Conservation Jean	na Walters-Fancella
Constitution Week	Shirley Rasmussen
DAR Genealogy Preservation	Patricia Spencer
DAR Good Citizens	Vickie Strelow
DAR Leadership Training – Members	Jan Goss
DAR Leadership Training - New Horizons	Tonya Adams
DAR Leadership Training – Committee	Kimberly Patrick
Leaders	
DAR Library Outreach	Alice Bachand
DAR Magazine	Theresa Dominick
DAR Museum Outreach	Debra Eaves
DAR Project Patriot	Ilene McKaig
DAR/SAR/S.R. Relations	Debra Hulse
DAR Scholarship	Sherry Koster
DAR School	Susan Cornelson
DAR Service for Veterans	Pamela Kelley
Genealogical Records	Janice Wichman
Historic Preservation	Gerry Winters
Insignia	Colleen Anderson
Junior American Citizens	Donna Roberts
Junior Membership	Whitney Watts
Junior Membership - Outstanding Jr	Karen Schneck
Junior Membership - Sales	Ashley Mayer
Junior Membership – Jr Shoppe	Amanda Herron

# **KSDAR State Chairs and State Vice Chairs of Committees** (Continued)

Lineage Research Phyllis Benedict **Literacy Promotion** Haley Popelka Master Reports Dee Marshall Membership Laura Kaiser Membership – PMD Marla Slaughter National Defense Dixie Drake Patriot Records Project Monna Metzger President General's Project Karen McCune **Protocol** Mary Frisch Public Relations and Media Committee Michelle Stephens Service to America Susan Davis Specialty Research Elizabeth Winterbone The Flag of the United States of America Kathy Hays Volunteer Genealogists Bunnie Bowen Volunteer Information Specialists Mary Ayers & Jillian Pence Women's Issues Delores Clark



#### MEETING PRESENTER

## Dr. Susan Metzger

Dr. Susan Metzger serves as Curator General and is a Kansas Honorary State Regent (2019- 2022). As part of her State Regent Project, Susan provided nearly \$20,000 in grants to assist homeless veterans and behavioral health support for veterans, scanned and digitized more than 90 years of KSDAR historical records. She is a member of the Polly Ogden Chapter. Professionally, Susan serves as the Director of Strategic Multidisciplinary Program Development at Kansas State University and as the Director of the Kansas Center for Agricultural Resources and the Environment (KCARE) and Kansas Water Resources Institute. Susan and Monte Metzger have been married for 18 years and live in Manhattan, KS.

#### De Williamson

De Williamson serves as the National Vice Chair, Public Relations & Media – Daughters Online Community as well as the Nebraska State Magazine Committee Chair. She previously served as the National Vice Chair, Units Overseas Luncheon and the National Vice Chair, American Indians Scholarship. She is a member of the Omaha Chapter. De holds a Bachelor of Science in registered nursing and a Master of Science, nurse educator. She has been a registered nurse for more than 25 years and is currently an adjunct faculty member at Towson University in Towson, Maryland. De is married to Michael Williamson, Col. (ret.) USAF, and she is a veteran of the US Air Force as well. They live in Tupelo, Mississippi, and have a teenage son, Nathan. While her heart belongs to her family, her dog, her faith, and football, she enjoys listening to music in her favorite space, her craft room.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thank YOU for extending a Legacy of Liberty to our KSDAR Pages.

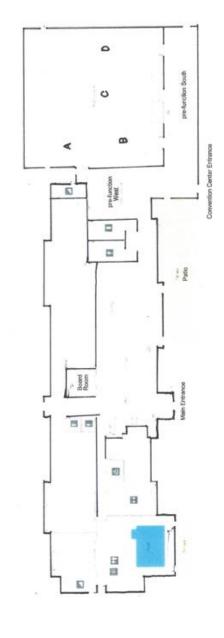
Complimentary meals and lodging for the KSDAR pages at this meeting were made possible through the generous donations of the KSDAR Page Patrons. The state officers and the pages appreciate your gracious contributions.

## **Emergency Procedures**

In the event of an emergency during the Fall Forum, members are advised that the State Meetings Co-Chairs, Retha Blecha and Sara Larson, will provide direction to the assembly. Members are to follow their direction. Pages will be asked to guide and direct members to a safe spot or safely out of the way of emergency personnel. Members should write their **name and phone number** of your emergency contact on the back of your nametag.



**NOTES** 



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## A Legacy of Liberty



# Second Corinthians 3:17 "Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Liberty."

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## Minutes **KSDAR State Board of Management Fall Forum**

## Hilton Garden Inn & Convention Center, Hays, KS Saturday, September 16, 2023

The State Board of Management of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution convened on Saturday, September 16, 2023, at 8:30 a.m., at the Hilton Garden Inn & Convention Center, Hays, Kansas. The State Regent, Rebecca Kline, presided, and the state recording secretary was present.

The invocation was led by the Reverend Laurie Barnes, State Chaplain; Sherrie Smith, State Historian, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America; Patti Unruh, State Organizing Secretary, led the American's Creed; the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America was lead in unison; and Melissa Precht, State Reporter, led the first stanza of the National Anthem.

Denise Bullock, State Vice Regent, read greetings from President General Pamela Rouse Wright. A letter of appreciation will be sent to Mrs. Wright.

State Regent Rebecca Kline welcomed everyone in attendance. She hoped that all had enjoyed the activities to that point, including the club meetings, the Fort Hays tour, workshops, and the Liberty dinner. She expressed appreciation to Susan Metzger, Becky Spaulding, Mary Frisch, Melissa Precht, and Denise Bullock for their intensive preparations, and to the State Historian, Sherrie Smith, and Courtney Spalding members for coordinating the Fort Hays tour.

The State Regent announced that at the conclusion of the Board of Management meeting, there would be a workshop presented by De Willamson, National Vice Chair Daughters Online Community. The workshop would be followed by the Sparkle Luncheon, workshops, and District meetings.

State Regent Rebecca Kline expressed her sincere thanks to Southeast District Director Nancy Machnicki, and members of the Southeast District; and the State Meetings Co-Chairs Retha Blecha and Sara Larson, State Vice Chair Ginger Umscheid, State Marshal Sally Bender, and State Meetings Treasurer Renee Gruen, for the work they have done to make this meeting a successful venture.

Greetings were brought by Southeast District Director Nancy Machnicki and a response was provided by Mrs. Bullock.

The State Regent presented the National Officers from Kansas in attendance: Curator General, Dr. Susan T. Lee Metzger, and Honorary Vice President General, Mary Bannister Frisch.

She then presented the Honorary State Regents in attendance: Honorary State Regent, past Registrar General and past Vice President General, Patricia Eddy Carpenter; Honorary State Regent, Brenda Judd Dooley; Honorary State Regent and past Corresponding Secretary General, Kathryn Walker West. We regret that Honorary State Regent Patricia Traffas, Honorary State Regent Alice Walker, and Honorary State Regent Shirley Coupal were unable to attend.

The State Regent then presented the State Officers: Denise McNickle Bullock, State Vice Regent; Reverend Laurie Lowe Barnes, State Chaplain; Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary; Laura Johnson Renfro, State Corresponding Secretary; Patricia Kennedy Unruh, State Organizing Secretary; Tena Ramsour Brucken, State Treasurer; Linda Smitherman Jensen, State Registrar; Sherrie Lynne Smith, State Historian; Connie Becker, State Librarian; and Melissa Precht, State Reporter. State Parliamentarian, Mary Bannister Frisch, was also presented.

Mrs. Kline presented the National Appointees who were present: National Chair America 250! Commission, Kathryn Walker West; National Vice Chair America 250! Celebration Grant Team Leader Retha Strnad Blecha: Advisor to the Membership Task Force Mary Bannister Frisch; Advisor and Member, Application Task Force Mary Bannister Frisch; National Vice Chair CDRC Rural Concerns Denise McNickle Bullock; National Vice Chair Consistency in Messaging Margaret R. Bates; National Vice Chair Leadership Training Jeri Kling; South Central Division Vice Chair American History Sherrie Smith; South Central Division Vice Chair CDRC Bunnie Bowen; South Central Division Vice Chair Junior American Citizen and Creative Expression Contest Haley Popelka; Development member Laura Renfro; Insignia Volunteers Colleen Anderson, Bunnie Bowen, Laura Kaiser; NSDAR Technology Planning Commission and Human Resources member Susan Metzger; NSDAR Technology Support Help Desk Volunteers Margaret R. Bates; Specialty Research Patricia Spencer; and Volunteer Information Specialists Website Approval Assistant Rebecca Spaulding.

Mrs. Kline presented those in attendance appointed to the VAVS Boards: Dwight D Eisenhower VAMC Deputy Representatives: Gayle Grape, Leslie Harris, and Bunnie Bowen; Colmery-O'Neill VAMC Deputy Representatives: Monna Metzger, Colleen Anderson, and Judy Rider.

The Recording Secretary, Rebecca Spaulding, read Article 9, Section 1 of the State Bylaws.

At Roll Call, the following State Officers were present: Rebecca Kline, State Regent; Denise Bullock, State Vice Regent; Laurie Barnes, State Chaplain; Rebecca Spaulding, State Recording Secretary; Laura Renfro, State Corresponding Secretary; Patti Unruh, State Organizing Secretary; Tena Brucken, State Treasurer; Linda Jensen, State Registrar; Sherrie Smith, State Historian; Connie Becker, State Librarian; and Melissa Precht, State Reporter. National officers from Kansas present were Dr. Susan Metzger, Curator General and Mary Frisch, Honorary Vice President General.

At Roll Call, the following Chapters were represented by their Regent or Vice Regent: Arthur Barrett, Betty Washington, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Cimarron River Valley, Council Oak, Courtney-Spalding, Desire Tobey Sears, Esther Lowrey, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Four Winds, General Edward Hand, Isabella Weldin, James Ross, John & Hattie Possum, Jonathan Gilbert, John Haupt, Little Arkansas, Marais des Cygnes, Martha Vail, Mary Draper, Mary Wade Strother, Newton, Oceanus Hopkins, Olathe, Polly Ogden, Quivira Crossing, Randolph Loving, Sarah Steward, Shawnee Mission, Smoky Hill, Three Trails West, Tomahawk, Topeka, Where the Trail Divides, and William Wilson.

Present were 11 State Officers, 2 National Officers from Kansas, and Regents or Vice Regents from 36 chapters. Mrs. Kline declared a quorum, and the meeting proceeded.

Without objection, Debi Price, Cindy Sprenkle, and Marian Nolan were appointed to review the minutes of this meeting.

The Recording Secretary reported the minutes of the State Board of Management on April 14, 2023, were previously approved as printed by

a committee composed of Valerie Bothell, Patty Robidou, and Janet Schmidt.

The State Regent presented her report, followed by reports from State Officers: State Vice Regent Denise Bullock, State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes, State Recording Secretary Rebecca Spaulding, State Corresponding Secretary Laura Renfro, State Organizing Secretary Patti Unruh, State Treasurer Tena Brucken, State Registrar Linda Jensen, State Historian Sherrie Smith, State Librarian Connie Becker, and State Reporter Melissa Precht. The Parliamentarian, Mary Frisch, filed her report.

State Recording Secretary Rebecca Spaulding read the report of the Executive Committee. The Regular meeting of the Executive Committee met on August 27, 2023, via Zoom.

- In accordance with the KSDAR Bylaws, the Routh Scholarship will be paid at \$1,225 plus interest.
- In accordance with the KSDAR bylaws, the Kessler Scholarship will be paid at \$930 plus interest.
- In accordance with the KSDAR bylaws, the Judd Smith Brooks Scholarship will be paid \$1,000.

The Recording Secretary read the recommendations from the Executive Committee and moved for the adoption of each:

<u>Recommendation 1</u>. To reimburse the Golden West Tea committee members \$100 each to Laura Renfro, Becky Spaulding, and Mary Cutting. Adopted.

<u>Recommendation 2</u>. To ratify the maximum of \$308 in overages for the co-op ad for the Daughters' Newsletter from the General Fund. Adopted.

<u>Recommendation 3</u>. To ratify the expense of \$302.19 to purchase photos for the Annual Report and Proceedings. Adopted.

<u>Recommendation 4</u>. That the Kansas DAR Scholarship be funded at \$1,500. Adopted.

<u>Recommendation 5</u>. That the Good Citizens Scholarship be funded at \$1500. Adopted.

<u>Recommendation 6</u>. That the State Historian shall contact Jensen Conservation to perform the Madonna of the Trail's five-year cleaning. Adopted.

Kristi Kocher, Finance Committee Chair presented the finance report and introduced the members of the Finance Committee: Tena Brucken, Denise Bullock, Rebecca Spaulding, and Earlene Sells.

Southeast District Director, Nancy Machnicki read the report of registration for each District. Northeast: 64, Northwest: 47, Southeast: 19, Southwest: 26, and first-time attendees 16 for a total of 172.

State Regent Rebecca Kline thanked everyone for attending the Board of Management meeting and for their dedication to the Kansas Society. She reminded the members about Congress room reservation in October and if they want to Page or serve on a committee to email by November 30, 2023.

Announcements were made by Retha Blecha.

Following a benediction, by State Chaplain Laurie Barnes, the meeting was adjourned without objection by State Regent Rebecca Kline at 9:45 a.m.

Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary Reviewed by: Debi Price, Cindy Sprenkle, and Marian Nolan



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State Conference

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Daughters of the American Revolution

April 25-28, 2024 Wichita Marriott Wichita, KS



## **Southeast District Host Chapters**

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#### The Daughters' Pledge

We, the Daughters of the American Revolution, who find rest under thy folds, do pledge our lives, our hearts and our sacred honor to love and protect thee, our country and the liberty of the American people forever.

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## **2024 State Conference Standing Rules**

- 1. All members shall be registered before entering the business meetings. Proper identification badges shall be worn at all meetings.
- 2. All meetings shall begin at the hour announced.
- 3. Any business unfinished at the time of recess shall be resumed at the next business session.
- 4. To reduce disruption, attendees are asked to remain seated during reports unless otherwise instructed. Doors will be opened briefly at the instruction of the State Regent to allow for entry and exit.
- 5. Only registered delegates and other voting members of the State Conference shall be entitled to make motions, debate, and vote. State Committee Chairs and District Directors who are not elected delegates shall have the privilege to speak without vote.
- 6. All main motions shall be written and signed by the maker and seconded and sent to the Recording Secretary before action is taken. The maker of the motion shall rise and state her name and that of her chapter.

- 7. No member shall speak in debate more than once to the same question on the same day or longer than two minutes any time, except by the consent of the assembly.
- 8. Members who appear on the program or who are making reports shall occupy the front seats. Accredited delegates to the State Conference shall occupy seats together at the front of the room at all business meetings.
- 9. Only the chair is to be addressed in making reports.
- 10. Two timekeepers shall be appointed by the chair. Reports of State Officers and District Directors shall be limited to three minutes and two minutes for State Committee Chairs and Chapter Regents.
- 11. Announcements must be submitted in advance in writing to the State Meetings Chair who will approve and read them.
- 12. A copy of every report for the printed Proceedings of the State Conference shall be submitted, ready for printing and sent to the State Recording before the report is read at the Conference.
- 13. If a member is not present, her report shall not be read unless previously submitted as a recording and her report shall be filed for printing in the official Proceedings of the State Conference.
- 14. Any Chair or individual having a table display or exhibit shall attend to the removal of all material at the close of the Conference.
- 15. All necessary communications shall be delivered by the Pages.
- 16. Members shall have cell phones turned off or on vibrating ringer during business sessions, meals, and programs. Any cell phone disruptions shall be charged a \$5 penalty.
- 17. Registration shall close at 3:00 pm, Saturday, April 27, 2024.
- 18. The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the Conference, except when inconsistent with the State Bylaws, the Bylaws of the National Society, or the adopted Conference Standing Rules.
- 19. Credentials will close 30 minutes prior to reporting.

## State Officers and Executive Committee State Regent

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State Vice RegentState TreasurerDenise McNickle BullockTena BruckenState ChaplainState Registrar

Laurie Lowe Barnes Linda Smitherman Jensen

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Susan Lee Metzger

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Mary Bannister Frisch

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Patricia Dorsch Traffas Mary Bannister Frisch
Alice Frazier Walker Brenda Judd Dooley
Patricia Eddy Carpenter Kathryn Walker West
Shirley Coupal Susan Lee Metzger

## Members Serving National Susan Lee Metzger

**Curator General** 

**Human Resources Member** 

NSDAR Technology Planning Commission Member

## Mary Bannister Frisch

Honorary Vice President General Application Task Force Advisor and Member **Kathryn West** 

National Chair, America 250!

#### Retha Blecha

National Vice Chair America 250! Celebration Grants

#### Jeri Kling

National Vice Chair DAR Leadership Training Members Training Courses Curriculum

## **Margaret Bates**

National Vice Chair Consistency in Messaging Member, NSDAR Technology Support, Help Desk Volunteers

#### **Sherrie Smith**

SC Division Vice Chair American History

#### **Bunnie Bowen**

SC Division Vice Chair CDRC

#### Susan Newman

SC Division Vice Chair DAR Project Patriot **Laura Renfro** 

Member, Development

#### Dee Marshall

National Vice Chair America 250! Patriot Express Scheduling/Drivers

#### **Denise Bullock**

National Vice Chair CDRC Rural Concerns

#### **Amanda Tindell**

SC Division Vice Chair Commemorative Events

## **Tonya Adams**

SC Division Vice Chair DAR Leadership Training

## Haley Popelka

SC Division Vice Chair, JAC, Creative Expression Contests

## Patricia Spencer

Member, Specialty Research Committee

## **Becky Spaulding**

Member, VIS, Website Approval Assistant

### Sara Larson

Member, Property Beautification & Hospitality

## Veteran Administration Voluntary Service (VAVS) Eisenhower VAMC

Pamela Kelley, Representative

Gayle Grape, Leslie Harris, Bunnie Bowen, Deputies

## Colmery O'Neill VAMC

Nancy Appelhanz, Representative

Rosanne Wilson, Monna Metzger, and Colleen Anderson,

Judy Rider, Deputies

### Robert J Dole VAMC

Karen Malcom, Representative Lisa Klaskin, Debra Hollis, Deputies

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**State Officers Club** 

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State Chairman's Club

Becky Spaulding

**Chapter Regents' Club** 

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**Transportation** 

Lisa Gray

Kansas Scholarship

Sherry Koster

Kansas DAR News

Melissa Precht

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Mary Frisch

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Mary Frisch

Resolutions

Laura Renfro

**District Directors** 

Northwest

Nancy Buckingham Williams

**Northeast** 

Janet Alley

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Sally Bender

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**State Meetings Treasurer** 

Kathy Hays

**State Chair Marshal** 

Committee

Sally Bender

State Chair Page

Committee

Jamie Barton

**State Chair Music** 

Committee

Jana Fallin

**Sunflower Singers** 

Kimberly Patrick

**State Application Team** 

Melissa Stuchlik

**Supplemental Application** 

Mid-Level Review Project

Team

Linda Jensen

**State Regent's Project** 

Kathryn West

Southeast Nancy Machnicki

Southwest

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## KSDAR Awardees

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Scholarship
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Leaders, GEP 3

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Linda Jensen	Committee Leaders		
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Deborah Price	Committee Leaders		
Julia Bernhard	Committee Leaders		
Susan Kramer	Committee Leaders		
Judy Rider	Committee Leaders		
Laurel Barnes	Committee Leaders		
Kathleen Fink	Members		
Frances Watkins	Members		
Wendy Burgess	New Horizons		
Lou Ann Preston	New Horizons		
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Abilene	Julie Roller	Members				
Abilene	Cassandra Wilson	Members				
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Nathan Edson	Jeanna Walters-Fancella					
Polly Ogden	Melanie Horton	Committee Leaders				
Polly Ogden	Carol Regehr	Members				
<u>Southwest</u>						
Eunice Sterling	Gerry Winters	Committee Leaders				
Flores Del Sol	Sandra Howlett	Committee Leaders, GEP				
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Little Arkansas	Mary Hobson	GEP 3, GEP 4 DNA				
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Martha Vail	Linda Chambers	Members				
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Ivonne Clark

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### Schedule of the 126th KSDAR State Conference

### Thursday, April 25

Continuous	Storage - Boardroom
	Page/Junior Lounge - Topeka
	Photographer - Breezeway
Noon	Sales Room Setup - Wichita Ballroom
Noon	Service Project Setup - Sedgwick
2:00 pm – 4:45 pm	Registration Opens - Pre-Assembly
3:00  pm - 4:00  pm	Continental Congress Orientation – Arkansas
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm	State Officers Club Dinner (Members Only)
r	Kansas Grand Ballroom
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm	Fellowship Dinner (All welcome)
	Kansas Grand Ballroom
7:00  pm - 8:00  pm	Memorial Service (Hats optional) – Atrium
8:15 pm	Page Meeting/Training – Pre-Assembly
8:15 pm	Sunflower Singers Rehearsal – Kansas Grand
	Ballroom
8:15 pm	Pop-UP Sunflower Supplemental Volunteers –
	A-C Ballroom
Friday, April 26	
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Sunflower Singers Rehearsal
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7:45 am – 4:30 pm	Registration Open - Pre-Assembly
8:00 am – 4:00 pm	Sales Room (closed for business meetings)
oroo um moo pm	Wichita Ballroom
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Junior Membership Sparkling in Service
	Breakfast – Kansas Grand Ballroom
9:15 am – 11:00 am	State Board of Management Meeting – Atrium
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	125 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, DAR Hospital
•	Commemorative Luncheon
	<ul> <li>Kansas Grand Ballroom</li> </ul>
1:30  pm - 3:00  pm	State Conference Opening Business – Atrium
3:15 pm – 4:30 pm	Service Project – Sedgwick
4:00  pm - 5:00  pm	Sunflower Singers Rehearsal
- <b>.</b>	Kansas Grand Ballroom
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Photographs: Districts & Chapter Regents –
_	Atrium/Arkansas

5:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Photographs: State Chairs, Nat'l & State			
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5:00 pm – 6:30 pm 6:15 pm	Cash Bar - Pre-Assembly			
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C. 45	Directors, State Officers, Guests – Atrium			
6:45 pm	The Celebration Banquet!! (Cocktail attire) -			
0.00	Kansas Grand Ballroom			
9:00 pm	Junior Club - Topeka			
Saturday, April 27				
7:30  am - 8:30  am	Cameo Club Breakfast (members only)			
	Kansas Grand Ballroom			
8:00 am – 4:00 pm	Sales Room (closed for business meetings)			
	Wichita Ballroom			
7:45  am - 3:00  pm	Registration Open – Pre-Assembly			
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Kansas Kasual Konversation Lounge -			
	Sedgwick			
9:00 am - 10:30 am	Final Business Meeting – Atrium			
11:00 am Pre-L	Luncheon Assembly: Award Winner – Atrium			
11:30 am Process	ional Line-up: Award Winners Only - Atrium			
12:00 am – 2:00 pm	Awards Luncheon – Kansas Grand Ballroom			
American History Teac	cher, American History Essay Winners, DAR			
Good Citizens Winner, DAR Scholarship Winners, Volunteer				
Genalogist Winner, Community Classroom Report, Constitution				
Week Report, JAC Report				
Open Kar	nsas Korner Konversation Lounge - Sedgwick			
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Sunflower Singers Rehearsal (Photograph)			
1	Kansas Grand Ballroom			
5:00  pm - 5:30  pm	Photographs: Pages, State Officers –			
1	Atrium/Arkansas			
5:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Photographs: HSR, Guests –			
1 1	Atrium/Arkansas			
6:15 pm	Processional Line-up: State Officers,			
•	Honorary State Regents, Guests – Atrium			
6:45 pm	First Greatest Generation Banquet (Formal			
•	Attire) – Kansas Grand Ballroom			

### Speakers

Leslie Rogers Miller joined DAR in 1980 as a Junior member and is a fourth-generation member of the Hart Chapter in Winchester, Kentucky. She is an Honorary State Regent of Kentucky (2016-2019) and Past Vice President General (2020-2023). Past service also includes National Vice Chair for Membership - Prospective Members and National Vice Chair -Memorial Service. On the state level, Leslie served as State Chaplain and State Organizing Secretary,



and she was the 2009 Kentucky State Outstanding Chapter Regent. Leslie graduated from Tulane University with a Bachelor of Science in Physics. Leslie lives in Louisville with her husband Brett. They have three grown children: Sarah, Oliver, and Clay. Sarah is a member of DAR.

Kathryn Walker West joined the Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter, as a junior member in 1988. After being elected Honorary State Regent in 2019 (KSDAR State Regent 2016-2019), she served as Corresponding Secretary General (2019-2022) and oversaw the new DAR Insignia Store in this capacity after serving on the Insignia Task Force. Prior to serving as National Chair - America 250! Committee (2022-2025), she served as National Vice Chair - Celebrate 125! Daughters Tribute



(2013-2016). Her service at Continental Congress includes the Development Committee, Congress Online, Guest Hospitality and Page. She is a member of all giving societies. She holds a Bachelor of Science from Kansas State University and is a veteran of the United States Army.

### Guests

#### Edith "Edee" Harris Brunia, Iowa State Regent



Edee Harris Brunia joined the Jean Marie Cardinell Chapter in Des Moines, Iowa, 16 years ago and began her DAR service almost immediately because of her DAR mentor. Her chapter service includes chairing the Membership and Scholarship committees and serving as Vice Regent and Regent. On the state level, her service includes Secretary for the Southwest District Director; State Chair - Constitution Week, Chapter

Achievement Award and Literacy Promotion; State Treasurer; and State Regent. Edee and her husband Frank have been married for 37 years. They have two DAR Daughters and two sons as well as seven grandchildren (two are active in C.A.R.).

### Linda Conrad, Kentucky State Regent



Linda Couch Conrad is a 40-year member of NSDAR. Her state DAR service includes Vice Regent, Curator and Recording Secretary. She has chaired numerous state committees, including DAR Schools, American Heritage, and Junior American Citizens. Linda has served as East Central Division Chair for Commemorative Events and served on the Congressional Committee

during Congress. She is a member of the Captain John Lillard Chapter and has served as Regent, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Registrar and Historian. Linda holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Kentucky and a master's degree from the University of Cincinnati. Linda and her husband James have four daughters and 10 grandchildren. Three daughters are active DAR members, and several grandchildren are C.A.R members.

### Patrice Renee Donnelly, Alabama State Regent



Patrice Donnelly joined the Birmingham Territory Chapter as a Junior Member in 2007. She has served as National Vice Chair of Women's Issues for Health, National Vice Chair for the Occupational Therapy Scholarship, Southeastern Division Vice Chair for Commemorative Events, Advisor to the President General for KDS DAR School, and on numerous Continental Congress committees. She served as Personal Page to

President General Wright in 2011. At the state level, Patrice served as First Vice Regent and Second Vice Regent. She also chaired the Membership, President General's Project, Awards, KDS Bus Tour Hospitality and American History committees, among others. She has a bachelor's degree from Samford University and a master's degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

### Cheryl Whitlow Gott, Louisiana State Regent



Cheryl Whitlow Gott is a 29-year member of NSDAR and was recently appointed as the South-Central Division Vice Chair for the Franco-American Memorial Committee. Cheryl has served as State Organizing Secretary, Southwest District Director. President of the State Officers Club and Cameo Club, and chair of many state committees. She is a member of the Louisiana Bayou Chapter and was the Organizing Senior President for the

Fort Atkinson Society of the Children of the American Revolution, producing the first National C.A.R President from Louisiana, Cagle Kaough. Cheryl and her husband George, a veteran Naval officer, have been married 53 years and have three children and three grandchildren. Her two daughters and granddaughter are DAR members.

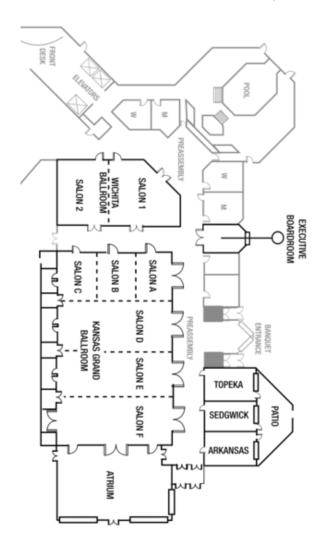
### Beth Gable Hicks, District of Columbia State Regent



Beth Gable Hicks has been a member of the District of Columbia Daughters of the American Revolution for more than 27 years. She has previously served as State Vice Regent, State Organizing Secretary, State Chaplain and State Recording Secretary as well as chair for numerous state committees and three terms as Chapter Regent of Constitution Chapter. She has served as National Vice Chair for the

Women's Issues Committee and the Public Relations & Media Committee. She has thoroughly enjoyed each DAR role as well as the training that DAR offers, having completed the New Horizons Course, the Committee Leaders Course and three GEP courses.

### Wichita Marriott Hotel Map





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Your Legacy of Liberty leadership and love for DAR shines bright on all who know you.



### Kansas Outstanding Juniors Throughout the Years



### Sagamore Chapter

### proudly honors Denise Bullock



Kansas State Vice Regent 2022 - 2025

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Your Life was a Blessing, Your Memory a Treasure, You are Loved Beyond Words and Missed Beyond Measure.



Marilyn Rane



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Those who touch our lives, stay in our hearts forever

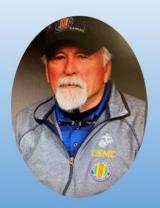




# Topeka Chapter Is Proud to Honor KSDAR Winners

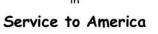
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Community Service Award









Clifton Veteran's Day Parade





Birthday Party Bags for CASA Clients

Wreaths Across America







Book Walk









Challenge Coin Recipients



### Flores del Sol Chapter, NSDAR

Proudly Celebrates



**Donna V. Overmiller**For 50 Years of DAR Service!

Joined Arthur Barrett Chapter 1 Feb 1974 Sarah Steward Chapter member 1975-2002 Sarah Steward Regent 1976-1977, 1998-2000 Sarah Steward Vice Regent 1975, 1978-1979 KSDAR State Committee Chairs 1977-2013: Junior American Citizen, Transportation & Safety, Flag of the USA, Insignia, American Heritage, President General's Project, & DAR Museum KSDAR Outstanding Junior 1983 KSDAR Page 1974-1982 KSDAR Correspondent Docent 1992–1995 Abilene Chapter member 2004–2010 Abilene Chapter Regent 2004-2010 Flores del Sol Chapter Member since 2012 Flores de Sol First Vice Regent 2018-2021 Flores del Sol Historian Jan, 2022-Jan, 2024



### Mary Ayers

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We appreciate all you do!

From

Eunice Sterling Chapter







### Mission: To serve "God, Home, & Country"

Some of our projects: Honor Flights, Wreaths Across America, Veterans, JAC, Good Citizen, Outstanding Student of American History, give scholarships, American Flag Award, support Indian youth & C.A.R., purchase books for prison ministry, libraries & schools, sponsor teachers in community classrooms, celebrate National First Responders Day, give out flags & bookmarks for Constitution week, participate in Kansas Reads to Kindergarteners, send cards to veterans & teachers, hand out Thank Yous to active military & veterans.



### SHAWNEE MISSION CHAPTER

### SERVE



Giving care to our community & homebound Members

May Day Flowers

### PRESERVE



Preserving America's Art & Artisans

Donation of artifacts to the DAR Museum in honor of Dr Metzger

### CONSERVE



Cultivating memories of our nation's veterans

Never Forget Garden

### AMERICA 250

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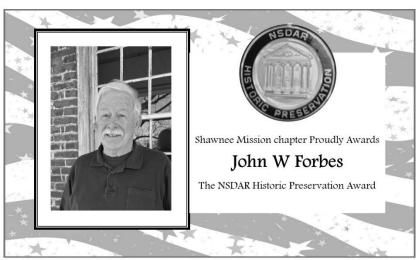


Community Service Awards for General Edward Hand Chapter. Grace Nilges, 2665 hours at local hospital. Clarice Knight, 2000

hours of playing piano at church over 54 years.







# Congratulations to the Winner of the KSDAR Good Citizen Award



### Olivia Peters

- Daughter of Laurenda and Jason Peters
- Senior at Mill Valley High School in Shawnee, KS
- 2024 National Merit Finalist
- Activities and Leadership
  - \* Marching band color guard (captain)
  - \* Youth for Refugees (VP)
  - \* Model United Nations (VP)
  - \* Women's Empowerment Club (secretary)
  - \* School newspaper
  - \* Concert band
  - \* National English Honor Society

### John & Hattie Possum Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution De Soto, KS



# John & Hattie Possum Chapter NSDAR, De Soto, KS honors the lives of three members we lost in 2023:







Dott E. Stephens (1937–2023), Organizing Member

Sarah Schulz (1939-2023), 56 Year DAR Member

Janell Slater (1966-2023), Chapter Corresponding Secretary



May their memories be a blessing





# Courtney-Spalding Proudly Announces Chapter Contest Winners



DAR Good Citizen Scholarship Contest

Brynn Kinderknecht Hays High School

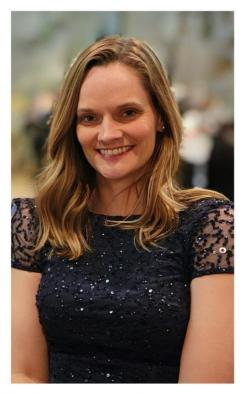


Mariella Dreiling Hays High School

DAR Patriots of the American Revolution High School Essay Contest.

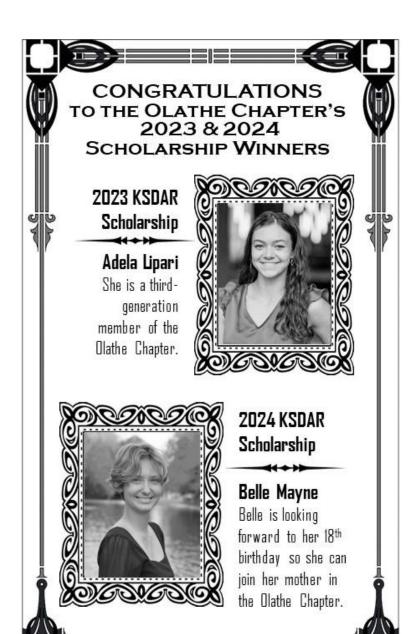
JAC Community Service Project Winner for Courtney-Spalding, KSDAR State, and South Central Division

## Mission Hills Chapter Outstanding Junior



Whitney Henson 2023





# Saluting NSDAR Betty Washington Chapter's Mary Dresser Burchill Member and Co-Author of

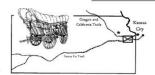


Co-author of
The Life and Legacy of
Elizabeth Miller Watkins:
A Pioneering
Philanthropist

As the three trails west shaped the character of our nation, our nation's character is still being shaped by women of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Our chapter members strive to participate in civic life of the community and are dedicated to the DAR mission of promoting patriotism, preserving history, and securing the future through education.



Three Trails West Chapter NSDAR Stilwell, KS



### Mary Wade Strother Salina



Sharron King Hamilton #835137 February 21, 2023



Luetta Gourley Smithhisler #779947 Nov 4, 2023



Karen William Iselin #829708 March 6, 2024 **Credentials Reports** 

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State Officers		
National Officers from Kansas		
Honorary State Regents		
Chapter Regents		
Vice Regents Representing Chapter Regent		
Delegates		
Counted in more than one category		
Total Entitled to Vote		
Alternates		
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National Officers not from Kansas		
Guests		
Total Registered		

## Motes States

#### **Home On the Range**

Oh, give me a home where the buffalo roam,
Where the deer and antelope play,
Where never is heard a discouraging word,
And the sky is not cloudy all day.

Home, home on the range,
Where the deer and the antelope play;
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,
And the skies are not cloudy all day.

How often at night, when the heavens are bright By the light of the glittering stars, Have I stood there amazed and asked as I gazed If their beauty exceeds this of ours.

Home, home on the range,
Where the deer and the antelope play;
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,
And the skies are not cloudy all day.

#### A Legacy of Liberty

Liberty, when it begins to take root, is a plant of rapid growth.

George Washington



Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is there is Liberty.

2 Corinthians 3:17

This program belongs to:	
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# Memorial Service April 25, 2024 Kansas Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution



In the end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt, there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.

Hymn of Promise

#### **Memorial Service**

April 25, 2024 7:00 p.m.

Please prepare for the service in quiet reflection and meditation.

Meditation Music Susan Keith

Prelude "Skye Boat Song" by William Ross

Opening of the Bible Ashley Mayer, KSDAR Page

**Call to Worship**Laurie Barnes, State Chaplain Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me will live even though they die and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

Lighting of the Memorial Candle Kathryn Largent, KSDAR Page

Friends, we have gathered today to remember our Kansas Society Daughters who have died in the past year. Sharing their names will help us keep their memories vivid.

Assembly Response Unison They that live in the hearts of those they leave behind are not gone. In those whom they have blessed, they live a life again.

This service today expresses our hope of immortal life and our assurance that the human spirit is enduring and indestructible. The cross is a symbol of our faith, and the candles symbolize the light of Loving Remembrance. Let us now pray silently as we embrace our faith and remember our friends who have passed.

#### Silent Prayer

And now let us unite our voices and pray the prayer that Jesus taught His disciples saying the Lord's Prayer together.

#### The Lord's Prayer

Unison

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

#### Scripture 2 Corinthians 4:16

Rebecca Kline, State Regent

Therefore, we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup> For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. <sup>18</sup> So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Unison

Song of Reflection

"Hymn of Promise" Unison

**Tribute to Kathryn Compton** Pat Carpenter, Honorary State Regent Honorary State Regent

**Tribute to Vicki Churchman** Rebecca Kline, State Regent Chapter Regent Randolph Loving 2022

**Tribute to Jean Ramirez** Denise Bullock, State Vice Regent State Vice Regent, State Chaplain

#### Memorial Roll Call

As the Memorial Roll names are read, please stand to honor members of your chapter and any Daughter who holds a special place in your heart. As the chime is sounded, a chapter representative is invited to receive a flower in honor of their beloved member.

Laurie Barnes, State Chaplain Linda Jensen, State Registrar

#### Prayer

Gracious God, you have graciously shared with us the lives of these Kansas Daughters and it has been our privilege to serve alongside of them. For all that these women have given us to make us who we are and for their lives that in your love will never end, we give you thanks. Now we ask that you draw those of us who remain in this life closer to one another, make us faithful to serve one another and give us to know that peace and joy which is eternal life. Amen.

**Extinguishing Memorial Candle** Sara Valoff, KSDAR Page

Closing the Bible Ashley Mayer, KSDAR Page

**Benediction** Laurie Barnes, State Chaplain

Postlude "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

#### Appreciation is extended to the Pages assisting with this service:

Jamie Barton, Isabella Weldin Chapter – Page Chair

Amanda Herron, Isabella Weldin Chapter

Kathryn Largent, Quivira Crossing Chapter – Junior Shoppe Chair

Ashley Mayer, Betty Washington Chapter - Junior Chair

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Amanda Tindell, Topeka Chapter– Personal Page to the State Regent

Theresa Umscheid, Prairie Rose Chapter

Sara Valoff, Quivira Crossing Chapter – Junior Sales Chair

#### Appreciation is extended to the musicians assisting with this service:

Jana Fallin, Polly Ogden Chapter - Music Coordinator Marian Nolan, William Wilson Chapter - Vocalist Sally Bender, Polly Ogden Chapter - Violinist Susan Keith, Jonathan Gilbert Chapter - Pianist

### In Memorium 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024

Abilene 780230	Linda Duck	8 April 2022
Captain Jesse Leaven 935355 814689	worth Marietta Riese Martha Hadfield	19 April 2022 29 September 2023
<b>Cofachique</b> 735282 834544	Beverly Miller Nelda Cuppy	19 February 2023 17 June 2023
Council Oak 989284	Barbara Wilson	26 January 2024
Courtney-Spalding 547204 988984	Nancy Grass Joan Unruh	4 March 2023 23 October 2023
<b>Desire Tobey Sears</b> 624721	Doris Alexander	28 June 2023
<b>Ephraim Basehor</b> 884615	Ann Rogers	9 September 2023
Flores del Sol 513828 951560	Kathryn Compton Bonnie Portz	7 April 2023 28 November 2023
Fort Larned 509382	Jo Ann Cole	15 August 2023
General Edward Hand 648057 945190	Evelyn Gaddis Ruth Ayers	1 September 2023 31 January 2024
<b>Jane Dean Coffey</b> 667348 764185	Kathy Fischer Delores Ferguson	30 December 2023 8 January 2024

John & Hattie Possul 975838 913195	m Janell Slater Dott Stephens	16 September 2023 10 December 2023
John Haupt 815677 702347 394138	Martha Williams Phylis Ashcraft Betty Hazlett	5 May 2022 7 May 2023 30 May 2023
<b>Little Arkansas</b> 934713 1015914 1041629	Elizabeth Lambert Hazel Lewis Olena Holden	1 December 2022 17 May 2023 16 September 2023
Mary Wade Strother 779947 829708	Luetta Smithhisler Karen Iselin	4 November 2023 6 March 2024
<b>Newton</b> 842950 891895	Pamela Foley LaVonda Cash	23 April 2023 13 November 2023
Oceanus Hopkins 748781	Marcella McMaster	21 April 2022
Olathe 792126 778743 807223	Jacque Seyler Harriet Bullock Maxine Siler	21 April 2023 27 December 2023 25 January 2024
Polly Ogden 849589 875175 890081 844966 941744	Carol Dixon Malissa Hunt Vera Hebrank Mary Jane Brown Janice May	29 March 2023 4 August 2023 6 November 2023 15 November 2023 19 March 2024
Prairie Flint Hills 738926 738925	Jeanene Buchanan Susan Carpenter	9 October 2023 20 March 2024
<b>Prairie Rose</b> 448310 859748	Wanda Jensen Margaret Richardson	25 May 2023 2 January 2024

Quivira Crossing		
843784	Catherine Wilcox	25 May 2023
971754	Jessie Craven	20 October 2023
Randolph Loving		
843704	Vicki Churchman	9 April 2022
996782	Sharon Garrison	9 August 2023
684558	Marjorie Weedin	19 October 2023
717736	Phyllis Buchanan	23 October 2023
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#### Hymn of Promise by Natalie Sleeth

**UMH 707** 

In the bulb, there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree; In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody; There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity. In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

#### **Kathryn Berniece Kahoe Compton Tribute**

Kathryn Berniece Kahoe Compton, 97, KSDAR 30<sup>th</sup> State Regent, of Derby, Kansas, passed away April 7, 2023. Kathryn was born January 11, 1926, at her Aunt Verna's home in North Platte, Nebraska, the only child of George William Kahoe and Rose Mildred Musser Kahoe. Kathryn was raised on a cattle ranch near Tryon, Nebraska. She attended Tryon Grade School and McPherson County High School. After graduating from High School at the age of 16 she taught in rural schools for three years while taking classes at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln during the summers. On February 25,1946, she married Billy Perry Compton when he returned from service in WWII. That fall they both enrolled in college at Northern State Teachers College in Aberdeen, South Dakota. Kathryn graduated in 1948 with a BS Degree in Education. She and Billy lived in Stillwater, Oklahoma, and Emporia, Kansas while Billy finished his college education. They then lived in Quincy, Kansas and Texas City, Texas before moving to Wichita in

1953 where they both worked for Boeing. Kathryn worked there for 8 years until she left on maternity leave and never went back choosing to be a stay-at-home mom and a volunteer. Kathryn's volunteer work was extensive. She served eight years on the Board of Education for the Haysville, Kansas School district. She was active in the PTA for 20 years and served as state secretary. She volunteered as a judge for debate and forensics for the Haysville and Derby, Kansas schools for 30 years.

She was a docent for school tours at the Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum for over 20 years. She was a member of the Sedgwick County Historical Museum, the Sedgwick County Zoo, and Exploration Place. She was elected and served four years on the Citizen Participation Organization in Wichita, worked for the IRS as a Certified Volunteer Income Tax Assistant (VITA) for 20 years, and was an election supervisory judge for polling places during primary and general elections. Kathryn was a Registered Parliamentarian and a member of the Sunflower Unit National Association of Parliamentarians.

Kathryn was a member of the American Association of University Women for 54 years and served as their local branch Treasurer for 10 years until her death. Kathryn Compton joined NSDAR February 1, 1966, and was a member of the Flores del Sol Chapter in Haysville for over 57 years. She held many Chapter, State and National offices and chairmanships.

- Flores del Sol Chapter Regent 1968 1970
- KSDAR Southwest District Director 1973 1974
- KSDAR State Reporter 1974 1977
- KSDAR State Registrar 1977 1980
- KSDAR State Vice Regent 1980 1983
- KSDAR State Regent 1983 1986
- NSDAR Vice President General 1986 1989
- NSDAR Vice Chair, National Defense Committee 1989 1992

Kathryn continued to attend KSDAR State Meetings and NSDAR Continental Congress until her death. A celebration of her life was held Saturday, July 15, 2023, at the Haysville Community Library. Haysville, Kansas. It was a time Kathryn would have enjoyed, with stories, refreshments of root beer floats and each attendee received a turtle. Kathryn is survived by her son, Carl and his wife Suzie of Derby,

KS; grandchildren, Claire Compton and David Dawdy of Atlanta, GA; Dr. Caty Compton of Columbia, SC; Craig Compton of Wichita, KS; Colleen and her husband David Thompson, of Alexandria, VA; Christian Compton of Manhattan KS; and great-granddaughter, Clarke Kathryn Thompson. Nothing is truly gone until it is forgotten. Kathryn's smiling face, friendly personality, and DAR service will long be remembered.

#### Vicki Lyn Warren Churchman Tribute

Vicki Lyn Warren Churchman, wife, mother, teacher, and friend passed away April 9, 2022. Vicki was born Sept 6, 1945, in Ark City, Kansas. She spent her first 5 years romping on a ranch before moving to Wichita where her father worked for the Wichita Livestock Exchange. After graduating from Wichita East High School in 1963, Vicki attended Grinnell College, in Iowa, where she graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a degree in Literature. Vicki began a long-time teaching career where she introduced innovative teaching ideas that led to her appointment as supervisor of student teachers from the University of Iowa. She went on to earn master's Degrees in English and Education. Vicki later returned to Wichita and taught English and was Head of Technology for the Wichita School District until she retired from teaching. Vicki loved historic preservation of all types. She served as a volunteer at Wichita Sedgwick County Historical Museum for many years. She took a big leap into community service when Wichita's historic John Mack Bridge was slated for demolition. While still teaching full time, she helped organize a citizens' group which saved the bridge. At the same time, she and her husband Dale were completely restoring their historic house (also on south Broadway). She served for six years on the city's Historical Preservation Board, an organization whose focus was on areas of the city, as well as individual buildings. Vicki served as President of the local Glass Gazers Depression Glass Society and served on the Board of Trustees for the National Depression Glass Association Museum in Wellington. Plus, she engaged in the restoration of the Fresh Air Baby Camp Building in Wichita's Riverside Park. Along with being a member of the Daughters of American Colonists, Vicki joined DAR's Eunice Sterling Chapter in June 2006. With all her various projects and activities, Vicki was a tireless supporter of all things DAR. She served as Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary before transferring to the Randolph Loving Chapter in 2014. She loved the Randolph Loving Chapter and worked hard to create a welcoming environment and found creative ways to draw members into participation. Vicki aptly served as State Chair for the Historic Preservation Committee. After serving as chapter vice regent in 2016 she was installed as Chapter Regent in 2017 and she served until her death. Nothing is truly gone until it is forgotten and Vicki's friendly personality, hard work and service to DAR will be long remembered. We miss her very much. Vicki is survived by her husband Dale Churchman, son Jason Cook of Houston and several grandchildren. Tribute written by Elizabeth Winterbone.

#### Jean Ramirez Tribute

Jean Ramirez, age 85, passed away on November 10, 2023. She was a caring wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 61 years, Gus Ramirez. Together they enjoyed travel, dancing, cheering on the Jayhawks and the Chiefs. They treasured time spent with our family. They especially enjoyed trips to Hawaii and attending the many athletic events, music concerts, dramatic performances and dance recitals of their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Deeply involved in the community and many civic organizations, she was also an avid gardener and enjoyed sewing, needlepoint, cooking, and crafts. Jean was an active member in the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), joining the Sagamore Chapter NSDAR in 1980. She was a member of nine lineage societies and had two proven Revolutionary War patriots. She served the Society on chapter, state, and national levels, notably as the South Central Division Committee Chairman and State Chaplain.

Jean was dearly loved by her family and friends. Her generous servant heart will be missed by all.

Survivors include children Linda (Charley) Magruder, Cathy (Doug) Hays, Steve (Melissa) Ramirez; grandchildren Rob (Robin) Hays, Sarah (Alfonso) Teves, Amanda (Bob Morrison) Hays, Daniel (Meghan) Magruder, Michael (Jessica) Magruder, Thalia Ramirez, Alex Ramirez, Natalie Martens-Harper; seven great-grandchildren Olive, Gabriel, Adalynn, Grayson, Tristan, Laelynn, Everlynn; and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

My friend and mentor Jean Ramirez was a valued member of the Kansas Society. She served as State Vice Regent, 2007-2008; State Chaplain,

2001-2004 and State Organizing Secretary 1995-1998; South Central Division Vice Chair of three different committees, National Defense, The Flag of the United States of America, and DAR Good Citizens; a member of the DAR Speakers Staff and State Chair of Membership. Jean was an Honorary Chapter Regent of the Sagamore Chapter and served faithfully and successfully as the chapter's Membership Chair for many years, guiding many prospective members to membership with her kindness, persistence, and knowledge.

#### KSDAR State Conference Activities Thursday, April 25, 2024 – Saturday, April 27, 2024 Wichita Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas

The State Officers Club, Stacy Cope, President, was held in the Kansas Grand Ballroom at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 25, 2024.

At 7:00 p.m., Thursday, April 25, 2024, the Memorial Service was held in the Atrium honoring those KSDAR members who passed away in the last 12 months. The service was conducted by Laurie Barnes, State Chaplain with assistance by Linda Jensen, State Registrar and Rebecca Kline, State Regent.

The Southeast District hosted the Fellowship Dinner in the Kansas Grand Ballroom at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 25, 2024.

The Cameo Club, Kimberly Patrick, President, met in the Kansas Grand Ballroom at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 27, 2024.

The Junior Club meeting, Denise Bullock, Interim President, was conducted in the Topeka Room at 9:00 p.m. Friday, April 26, 2024.

#### KSDAR 126TH STATE CONFERENCE Minutes of the Spring Board of Management Meeting Wichita Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas Friday, April 26, 2024

The Board of Management Meeting of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution was called to order at 9:15 a.m., April 26, 2024, in the Atrium at the Wichita Marriott Hotel in Wichita, Kansas. The State Recording Secretary was present.

An invocation was given by State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes; the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led Patti Unruh, State Organizing Secretary; the American's Creed was led by Connie Becker, State Librarian; and the National Anthem was led by Brenda Dooley, Honorary State Regent. The introductions and reports of state officers were postponed until the first Business meeting of the State Conference without objection.

At the request of the State Regent, the State Recording Secretary read Article 9, Section 1 of the State Bylaws.

Article 9, Section 1. "The State Board of Management shall consist of the elected State Officers, the National Officers whose membership is within the state, and each Chapter Regent in the state or, in her absence, the Chapter Vice Regent. The Chair of each State Committee, District Directors, and Honorary State Regents may attend the meeting of the State Board of Management with voice but no vote."

All State Officers and one National Officer from Kansas answered Roll Call.

The following chapters were represented by their Regent or Vice Regent: Arthur Barrett, Betty Washington, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Cimarron River Valley, Courtney-Spalding, Desire Tobey Sears, Dodge City, Esther Lowrey, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Four Winds, General Edward Hand, Isabella Weldin, John & Hattie Possum, John Haupt, Jonathan Gilbert, Kanza, Little Arkansas, Marais des Cygnes, Martha Vail, Mary Draper, Mary Wade Strother, Mission Hills, Newton, Oceanus Hopkins, Olathe, Randolph Loving, Sagamore, Sarah Steward, Shawnee Mission, Smoky Hill, Three Trails West, Tomahawk, Topeka, Uvedale, Where the Trail Divides and William Wilson.

Present were 11 State Officers, 1 National Officer from Kansas, 32 Chapter Regents, 5 Chapter Vice Regents representing Chapter Regents, and 5 Chapters present without Regent or Vice Regent.

A quorum was declared, and the meeting proceeded.

With no objection Susan Davis, Lou Ann Preston, and Jaculin Aaron were appointed to approve the minutes of this meeting.

The Recording Secretary reported that the minutes of the September 16, 2023, State Board of Management meeting were approved as printed by a committee composed of Debi Price, Cindy Sprenkle, and Marian Nolan.

The minutes of the September 16, 2023, State Board of Management meeting were approved as printed.

In accordance with the Page Patron Fund past practice, established during the Frisch administration, two sleeping rooms with shared occupancy and a meal for one banquet chosen by the State Regent will be paid on behalf of the Pages. Remaining funds will be divided among the Kansas Pages who register and page at Continental Congress 2024 following the guidelines set by the State Regent.

The State Recording Secretary read the Recommendations.

**Recommendation 1.** That the proposed 2024 budget be adopted. <u>It was presented</u>, and a vote was deferred until the first business meeting.

**Recommendation 2.** To ratify the reimbursement to Denise Bullock for the flowers used at the Golden West Tea in the amount of \$682.50 to be paid from the Golden West Tea receipts. <u>Adopted.</u>

**Recommendation 3**. To ratify the insignia expenses for the Outstanding Junior pin for \$95, Outstanding Junior Runner-Up pin for \$73, and the Outstanding Volunteer Genealogist pin for \$110, totaling \$294.68 from the General Fund. Adopted.

**Recommendation 4**. To ratify the expense for \$116.60 for flowers for Susan Metzger, Curator General, NSDAR for the Continental Congress to be paid from the General Fund. <u>Adopted.</u>

**Recommendation 5.** To ratify the payment of \$8,500 to Jenson's Restoration Co. for the conservation expense of the Madonna of the Trail monument taken from the Historical Markers Fund be adopted. Adopted.

**Recommendation 6**. To ratify the expense to Rebecca Kline, State Regent, for the purchase of a Flag of the United States of America, pole, cord, and tassel, and cover \$311.00 plus an Eagle \$41.79 for a total of \$352.79 taken from the General Fund be adopted. <u>Adopted.</u>

Finance Committee Chair Kristi Kocher reported and presented corrections to the proposed budget. She introduced the members of the committee: Tena Brucken, Denise Bullock, Rebecca Spaulding, and Earlene Sells.

Mrs. Blecha, State Meetings Chair, gave instructions in case of an emergency.

State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes offered the Benediction.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 a.m. without objection.

Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary, KSDAR Reviewed by: Susan Davis, Lou Ann Preston, and Jaculin Aaron

#### KSDAR 126TH STATE CONFERENCE Junior Membership Breakfast Wichita Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas Friday, April 26, 2024

At 8:00 a.m., Junior Membership Chair Ashley Mayer welcomed everyone to the Junior Membership Breakfast, to honor our current and past outstanding junior members, receive reports from the Junior Membership Chairs, and recognize special Page achievements.

The invocation was given by Amanda Tindell, State Chair Children of the American Revolution; The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America led by Sara Valoff, Vice Chair Junior Sales; American's Creed was led by Kathryn Largent, Vice Chair Junior Shoppe; The National Anthem by Haley Popelka, State Chair Literacy Promotion.

Appreciation was expressed to Marian Nolan for the beautiful music.

Following a breakfast buffet, Ms. Mayer presented those seated at the head tables; Rebecca Geist Kline, State Regent; Sara Valoff, State Chair Junior Membership Sales; Kathryn Largent, State Vice Chair Junior Membership Junior Shoppe; Jamie Barton, State Chair Page Committee; Denise Bullock, State Vice Regent; Amanda Tindell, State Chair Children of the American Revolution; Haley Popelka, State Chair Literacy Promotion; and State Officers: State Chaplain Laurie Barnes, State Recording Secretary Rebecca Spaulding, State Corresponding Secretary Laura Renfro, State Organizing Secretary Patti Unruh, State Treasurer Tena Brucken, State Registrar Linda Jensen, State Historian Sherrie Smith, State Librarian Connie Becker, State Reporter Melissa Precht.

Ms. Mayer presented Honorary State Regents and guests; Mary Bannister Frisch, Honorary Vice President General, Past Registrar General, Honorary State Regent; Brenda Judd Dooley, Honorary State Regent; Kathryn Walker West, Honorary State Regent and Past Corresponding Secretary General; Patrice Donnelly, State Regent of Alabama; Beth Hicks, State Regent of the District of Columbia; Edee Brunia, State Regent of Iowa; Linda Conrad, State Regent of Kentucky; Cheryl Gott, State Regent of Louisiana; Leslie Miller, National Chair Commemorative Events, Past Vice President General, Honorary State Regent from Kentucky.

Junior Membership Chair Ashley Mayer reported; Junior Membership Vice Chair, Sales Chair Sara Valoff reported; and Junior Membership Vice Chair, Junior Shoppe, Kathryn Largent reported.

State Vice Chair for the Outstanding Junior Contest, Karen Schneck, filed her report. State Vice Regent Denise Bullock announced the Outstanding Junior Runner up, Ashley Mayer, Betty Washington Chapter, who was pinned by State Regent Rebecca Kline.

Mrs. Bullock announced the 2024 Outstanding Kansas Junior, Jillian Pence, Sagamore Chapter. Mrs. Bullock introduced Jillian's family and acknowledged her chapter for their support and encouragement. She was presented the Outstanding Junior sash and pin by Past Outstanding Junior Haley Popelka.

All Kansas Outstanding Juniors were asked to stand and be recognized and all Kansas Daughters who joined as Juniors were recognized.

Ms. Mayer explained the Page Patron Fund and had all Page Patron Fund donors stand. Ms. Mayer introduced Jamie Barton, State Page Chair, who introduced the conference pages and presented page certificates.

Announcements were made by State Meetings Co-Chair Retha Blecha.

After a benediction by Amanda Tindell, the breakfast concluded at 9:00 a.m.

Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary

#### KSDAR 126TH STATE CONFERENCE 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary DAR Hospital Commemorative Luncheon Wichita Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas Friday, April 26, 2024

State Regent Rebecca Kline welcomed everyone to the Commemorative Events Luncheon, at 11:30 a.m., for the celebration of the 125th Anniversary of the DAR Hospital Corps, and our Kansas members who have served as nurses.

The invocation was given by State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes; The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America led by Sally Pattee, State Chair Commemorative Events; The National Anthem by Amanda Tindell, South Central Division Vice Chair Commemorative Events.

Appreciation was expressed to Marian Nolan for the beautiful music.

Mrs. Kline presented special members seated at the head tables: Leslie Rogers Miller, National Chair Commemorative Events, Past Vice President General, Honorary State Regent from Kentucky; Mary Bannister Frisch, Honorary Vice President General, Past Registrar General, Honorary State Regent; Patricia Eddy Carpenter, Honorary State Regent, Past Registrar General, Past Vice President General; Brenda Judd Dooley, Honorary State Regent; Kathryn Walker West, Honorary State Regent and Past Corresponding Secretary General; Patrice Donnelly, State Regent of Alabama; Beth Hicks, State Regent of the District of Columbia; Edee Brunia, State Regent of Iowa; Linda Conrad, State Regent of Kentucky; Cheryl Gott, State Regent of Louisiana; State Officers: State Vice Regent Denise Bullock, State Chaplain Laurie Barnes, State Recording Secretary Rebecca Spaulding, State Corresponding Secretary Laura Renfro, State Organizing Secretary Patti Unruh, State Treasurer Tena Brucken, State Registrar Linda Jensen, State Historian Sherrie Smith, State Librarian Connie Becker, State Reporter Melissa Precht; South Central Division Vice Chair Commemorative Events, Amanda Tindell, and State Chair Commemorative Events, Sally Pattee.

Mrs. Kline introduced her Personal Pages, Haley Popelka and Amanda Tindell, both State Outstanding Juniors.

Ms. Kline introduced the speaker, the National Chair of Commemorative Events, Leslie Rogers Miller, who presented the program on the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the DAR Hospital Corps.

A token of appreciation was given to Mrs. Miller on behalf of the Kansas Society in gratitude and service to DAR.

Mrs. Kline recognized the 50 plus year members present, and each was given a long stemmed rose: Lynda Forte, 52 years; Mona Hartzler,57 years; Margaret Huffman, 52 years; and Donna Overmiller, 50 years.

Greetings were brought by Amanda Tindell, Senior State President of the Kansas State Society Children of the American Revolution and Eliza Tindell, State President of the Kansas State Society Children of the American Revolution, who presented her project. Sherrie Smith the State Historian gave remarks and presented the Kansas Nurses with a special Power Point. Certificates and pins were presented to Kansas DAR nurses in honor of the 125th Anniversary of the DAR Hospital Corps. Thanks were given to all the nurses for their dedication and devotion to the practice of nursing and to the welfare of those committed to your care.

The State Regent, Rebecca Kline recognized Sherrie Smith, Laura Renfro, Kerin Smith, and Sally Pattee for their preparation of today's ceremony. Mrs. Kline stated Sherrie Smith is a Registered Nurse, and Kerin Smith is a retired Registered Nurse, and Laura Renfro's mother is also a Registered Nurse.

Mrs. Kline made the announcement that the salesroom was open, and the photographer is ready to take group pictures. The opening business session would begin at 1:30 p.m. she challenged the members wearing the Torch scarf to find her initials in a Sunflower on the scarf, take it to Mrs. West and they would win a \$25 gift certificate to the DAR Shop.

State Meetings Co-Chair Retha Blecha gave further announcements.

After a benediction by State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes, the luncheon concluded at 1:00 p.m.

Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary

#### KSDAR 126TH STATE CONFERENCE Minutes of First Business Meeting Wichita Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas Friday, April 26, 2024

The 126th State Conference of Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution was called to order by State Regent Rebecca Kline at 1:30 p.m., Friday, April 26, 2024, in the Atrium of the Wichita Marriott Hotel in Wichita, Kansas. The State Recording Secretary was present.

The invocation was given by State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes; the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Kathy Hays, State Chair, The Flag of the United States of America; the American's Creed was led by Linda Jensen, State Registrar; the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America was led by Melissa Precht, State Reporter; and the first stanza of the National Anthem was led by Susan Keith, Chapter Regent, Jonathan Gilbert.

The letter of greetings from our President General was read by State Vice Regent Denise Bullock.

Dear Kansas Daughters,

On behalf of the National Society, my great pleasure is to congratulate you on the occasion of your 126<sup>th</sup> State Conference. Through countless successful projects, the Kansas Daughters have honored the men and women who achieved American independence by fostering a spirit of patriotism that remains essential to our nation.

Our administration continues to unite Daughters by rejoicing in our DAR ties of service and friendship by celebrating Stars & Stripes Forever! As we commemorate our nation's founding through the work of our beloved Society, please remember to be thankful for blessings received and opportunities shared with others. Continue to uplift your chapter members and move forward with kindness. Thank you for your dedication and passion in promoting our National Society's objectives of historic preservation, education, and patriotism through service to others. I hope you will be invigorated by this meeting and know that you are valued as a member of our organization.

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Warmest wishes for grand success now and in the future!

Together in DAR service and friendship,

Parrela Edwards Rouse Wight

The letter of greetings from the Kansas Governor was read by State Corresponding Secretary Laura Renfro.

**Greetings,** As Governor of the Great State of Kansas, it is my pleasure to send my greetings to the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution's 126th annual state conference. The worthwhile years your organization has spent committed to God, Home and Country are inspiring, and I am honored to represent you as some of the best of Kansas.

KSDAR's efforts to preserve Kansas history and serve its communities. have undoubtedly contributed to a stronger state. Patriotism cannot thrive on any level without solid local foundations, which **you** have helped establish in Kansas through education, scholarship, site restoration, and several other important activities. A civically engaged state is a prosperous state, and that could not be built without patriots like yourselves. Congratulations on achieving 126 years of service. As you look back proud of what you have achieved, I trust you look equally as encouraged to the future for continued opportunities for productive community engagement....

Governor Laura Kelly

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to send a letter of appreciation to Pamela Rouse Wright, President General, and Governor Kelly.

Greetings were brought by Maggie Ballard, Vice Mayor of Wichita, and Jessica Davies, Wichita Marriott Hotel Director of Catering.

Southeast District Director Nancy Machnicki brought greetings on behalf of Southeast District Daughters. State Meetings Co-Chair Retha Blecha brought greetings on behalf of the committee.

The State Regent greeted the membership and expressed appreciation to the State Meetings Committee, which has been working diligently in preparation for this meeting.

The State Regent presented the National Officers and Honorary State Regents: Honorary Vice President General, Past Registrar General, Past Vice President General and Honorary State Regent, Mary Bannister Frisch; Honorary State Regent, Past Registrar General and Past Vice President General, Patricia Eddy Carpenter; Honorary State Regent Brenda Judd Dooley; Honorary State Regent and Past Corresponding

Secretary General Kathryn Walker West. We regret that Honorary State Regents Alice Frazier Walker, Patricia Dorsch Traffas, Shirley Coupal, and Susan Metzger were unable to attend.

State Regent Kline presented the State Officers: State Vice Regent Denise McNickle Bullock; State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Lowe Barnes; State Recording Secretary Rebecca Valliere Spaulding; State Corresponding Secretary Laura Johnson Renfro; State Organizing Secretary Patricia Kennedy Unruh; State Treasurer Tena Ramsour Brucken; State Registrar Linda Smitherman Jensen; State Historian Sherrie Lynne Smith; State Librarian Connie Becker; and State Reporter Melissa Precht.

Mrs. Kline also presented State Parliamentarian Mary Bannister Frisch.

The National Appointees from Kansas were presented by the State Regent, Mrs. Kline: Kathryn West, America 250! National Chair; Retha Blecha, America 250! National Vice Chair; Dee Marshal, America 250! National Vice Chair; Sherrie Smith, American History, South Central Division Vice Chair; Mary Frisch, Application Task Force, Advisor; Denise Bullock, Chapter Development and Revitalization, National Vice Chair; Bunnie Bowen, Chapter Development and Revitalization, South Central Division Vice Chair; Amanda Tindell, Commemorative Events South Central Division Vice Chair; Laura Renfro, Development - Member; Margaret Bates, Consistency in Messaging National Vice Chair; Jeri Kling, DAR Leadership Training National Vice Chair; Tonya Adams, DAR Leadership Training South Central Division Vice Chair; Susan Newman, DAR Project Patriot South Central Division Vice Chair; Tonya Adams, Colleen Anderson, Bunnie Bowen, Laura Kaiser, and Amanda Tindell, Insignia Volunteers; Haley Popelka, Junior American Citizens South Central Division Vice Chair; Margaret Technology Support; Sara Larson, NSDAR Beautification & Hospitality Member; Patricia Spencer, DAR Specialty Research Member; and Rebecca Spaulding, Volunteer Information Specialist Website Approval.

The appointees to the VAVS Boards were introduced: Pamela Kelley, Eisenhower VAMC Representative; Gayle Grape, Leslie Harris, and Bunnie Bowen, Deputy Representatives; Nancy Appelhanz, Colmery O'Neill VAMC Representative; Roseanne Wilson, Monna Metzger, Judy Rider, and Colleen Anderson, Deputy Representatives; Karen

Malcom, Robert J. Dole VAMC Representative; Lisa Klaskin, and Debra Hollis, Deputy Representatives.

KSDAR District Directors Nancy Williams, Northwest District; Nancy Machnicki, Southeast District, and Valerie Bothell, Southwest District were presented. We regret Janet Alley, Northeast District Director, was unable to attend.

Credentials Committee Chair Barb Knopke submitted the first credentials report.

As of 1:30 p.m. on Friday, April 25, 2024, registration was:

State Officers:	10
National Officers from Kansas:	1
Honorary State Regents:	4
Chapter Regents:	37
Chapter Vice Regents representing chapter regent:	2
Delegates:	114
If counted in more than one category minus:	(4)
Total entitled to vote:	164
Alternates including non-voting members:	68
National Officers not from Kansas:	0
Guests:	15
Total Registered	247

By direction of the Credentials Committee Mrs. Knopke moved that the roll of delegates hereby submitted be the official roll of the voting members of the 126th Annual State Conference. <u>Adopted.</u> Mrs. Kline declared a quorum with a voting strength of **164**.

At the direction of the State Regent, the State Recording Secretary presented the Conference Rules as printed. <u>Adopted by two-thirds standing vote.</u>

State Meetings Co-Chair Retha Blecha presented the Conference Program and moved for adoption as corrected. <u>Adopted.</u>

Without objection, the State Regent appointed Connie Becker and Sherrie Smith as timekeepers for this State Conference. Susan Davis, Lou Ann Preston, and Jaculin Aaron were appointed to approve the minutes of the meeting.

Without objection, the State Regent appointed Jeri Kling, Chief Teller and Margaret Huffman, Karen Younce, Nancy Gordon, and Barbara Bushnell as tellers for this State Conference.

State Vice Regent Denise Bullock assumed the chair and Mrs. Kline was asked to leave the room. Mrs. Bullock recognized Kathryn West, Honorary State Regent.

Mrs. West moved that the Kansas Society endorse Rebecca Geist Kline as a candidate for the Office of Vice President General at the 134<sup>th</sup> Continental Congress in 2025.

The State Vice Regent Denise Bullock gave instructions for ballot voting.

The Chair of Tellers, Jeri Kling, presented the Report of the Tellers, as follows:

Number of votes cast:	159
Number of votes necessary for adopting:	79
Votes in the affirmative:	159
Votes in the negative:	0

The State Vice Regent declared Rebecca Geist Kline endorsed as a candidate for the Office of Vice President General at the 134<sup>th</sup> Continental Congress in 2025. Without objection the ballots were destroyed.

Pat Carpenter, Honorary State Regent, moved to support the Kansas C.A.R. with a donation of \$200 for the Regional meeting. Seconded. <u>Adopted</u>.

The State Regent resumed the chair and the following State Officers reported: Rebecca Geist Kline, State Regent; Denise McNickle Bullock, State Vice Regent; Reverend Laurie Lowe Barnes, State Chaplain; Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary; Laura Renfro, State Corresponding Secretary; Patti Kennedy Unruh, State Organizing Secretary; Tena Brucken, State Treasurer; Linda Smitherman Jensen, State Registrar; Sherrie L. Smith, State Historian; Connie Becker, State Librarian; and Melissa Precht, State Reporter.

As requested by the State Regent, the Recording Secretary read the recommendations from the State Board of Management.

**Recommendation 1.** To ratify the reimbursement of the Golden West Tea committee members \$100 each to Laura Renfro, Becky Spaulding, and Mary Cutting for decorations and favors. <u>Adopted.</u>

**Recommendation 2.** To ratify the maximum of \$308 in overages for the co-op ad for the Daughters Newsletter from the General Fund. Adopted.

**Recommendation 3**. To ratify the expense of \$302.19 to purchase photos for the Annual Report and proceedings. <u>Adopted.</u>

**Recommendation 4.** That the Kansas DAR Scholarship be funded at \$1,500. <u>Adopted.</u>

**Recommendation 5.** That the Routh Scholarship be funded at \$1,225 plus interest. Adopted.

**Recommendation 6.** That the Kessler Scholarship be funded at \$930 plus interest. <u>Adopted.</u>

**Recommendation 7.** To ratify the reimbursement to Denise Bullock for the flowers used at the Golden West Tea in the amount of \$682.50 to be paid from the Golden West Tea receipts. Adopted.

**Recommendation 8.** To ratify the insignia expenses for the Outstanding Junior pin for \$95, Outstanding Junior Runner-Up pin for \$73, and the Outstanding Volunteer Genealogist pin for \$110, totaling \$294.68 from the General Fund. Adopted.

**Recommendation 9.** To ratify the expense for \$116.60 for flowers for Susan Metzger, Curator General, NSDAR for the Continental Congress to be paid from the General Fund. <u>Adopted.</u>

**Recommendation 10.** To ratify the payment of \$8,500 to Jenson Restoration Co. for the conservation expense of the Madonna of the Trail monument taken from the Historical Markers & Archive Committee Fund be adopted. <u>Adopted.</u>

**Recommendation 11.** To ratify the expense to Rebecca Kline, State Regent, for the purchase of a Flag of the United States of America, pole, cord, and tassel, and cover \$311.00, plus an Eagle \$41.79 for a total of \$352.79 taken from the General Fund be adopted. <u>Adopted.</u>

Finance Committee Chair Kristi Kocher reported, and appreciation was expressed to the members of the Finance Committee, Denise Bullock, Rebecca Spaulding, Tena Brucken, and Earlene Sells.

Mrs. Brucken presented the Financial Position, Statement of Activity and the corrected 2024 budget. She moved the corrected budget for adoption. <u>Adopted</u>.

Cindy Henry, Chair of the Audit Committee, presented the report of the Audit Committee and moved to accept the report. <u>Accepted.</u>

Mrs. Henry introduced the members of the Audit Committee: Cathy Grassl, and Mary Jo Jurey.

The Bylaws Committee Chair Janelle DeFrees reported that the proposed bylaw amendments were sent in accordance with Article XI Committees, Section 3 Bylaws Committee; an electronic copy was provided to each delegate, and they were projected on the overhead screen.

Mrs. DeFrees moved the adoption of the following amendments that had been sent back to Committee by the delegate assembly during the business meeting of the 125<sup>th</sup> Kansas State Conference:

**Proposed Amendment #1: Article VI, Nominations and Elections, Section 2. Nominating Committee Item (a) Members.** Amend by inserting paragraph: In order to be eligible to serve as District representative on the committee, the member must have held membership in the District, from which she is being nominated, for a minimum of three years, and have served at the state level in an appointed or elected position. She must be a member in good standing, from a Chapter of the Kansas Society in good standing and not in violation of NSDAR or State Bylaws. (see Article XIII, Chapters, Section 1. Officers, paragraphs 2 and 3.). <u>Adopted.</u>

**Proposed Amendment #2: ARTICLE XII, Districts, Section 4. Officers** Amend by adding To be eligible to serve as a District Director or Assistant District Director a member must have been a member in good standing in her District for a minimum of two years, and from a Chapter in good standing, not in violation of NSDAR or State bylaws (see Article XIII, Chapters, Section 1. Officers, paragraphs 2). Anyone nominated for office in their District will be vetted by the committee

prior to election to ensure they comply with KSDAR and NSDAR rules regarding good standing. <u>Adopted.</u>

**Proposed Amendment #3: Standing Rule Number 6.** Amend by striking Fifty (\$50) and insert Three hundred, (\$300). Adopted.

Mrs. DeFrees gave her report and introduced the members of the Bylaws Committee, and appreciation was expressed by the State Regent and assembly.

State Meetings Co-Chair Retha Blecha made announcements.

The State Chaplain, Reverend Barnes, concluded with the Benediction.

At 3:31 p.m. the meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Saturday, April 27, 2024.

Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary Reviewed by: Susan Davis, Lou Ann Preston, and Jaculin Aaron

#### KSDAR 126TH STATE CONFERENCE The Celebration Banquet!! Wichita Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas Friday, April 26, 2024

The meeting opened at 6:45 p.m. with a procession of all Chapter Regents, District Officers, State Officers, and guests. State Vice Regent Denise Bullock welcomed everyone and thanked Elizabeth Winterbone, the announcer. State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Three Trails West Chapter Regent Anita Hempy; followed by the American's Creed led by Kay Snodgrass, Sarah Steward Chapter Regent, and the first verse of the National Anthem led by William Wilson Chapter Regent Marian Nolan. The colors were posted, and the pages retired.

The State Vice Regent Denise Bullock presented State Regent Rebecca Geist Kline and distinguished Daughters: Honorary Vice President General, Past Registrar General, and Honorary State Regent, Mary Bannister Frisch.

Mrs. Bullock introduced Honorary State Regent, Past Registrar General and Past Vice President General, Patricia Eddy Carpenter, Honorary State Regent Brenda Dooley, and Past Corresponding Secretary General and Honorary State Regent Kathryn Walker West.

Mrs. Bullock introduced the visiting state regents: State Regent Alabama Patrice Renee Donnelly, State Regent District of Columbia Beth Gable Hicks, State Regent Iowa Edee Harris Brunia, State Regent Kentucky Linda Couch Conrad, State Regent Louisiana Cheryl Whitlow Gott.

The State Officers were presented: State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes, State Recording Secretary Rebecca Spaulding, State Corresponding Secretary Laura Renfro, State Organizing Secretary Patti Unruh, State Treasurer Tena Brucken, State Registrar Linda Jensen, State Historian Sherrie Smith, State Librarian Connie Becker, and State Reporter Melissa Precht.

Mrs. Bullock presented the guests: Leslie Rogers Miller, National Chair Commemorative Events, Past Vice President General and Honorary State Regent Kentucky; Jeri Kling, National Vice Chair, DAR Leadership Training, Members Course, Curriculum; and Tonya Adams, South Central Division Vice Chair, DAR Leadership Training.

The State Corresponding Secretary Laura Renfro, and State Membership Chair Laura Kaiser presented award packets to each regent. Mary Cutting, Northeast Assistant District Director reported. The following District Directors reported: Nancy Buckingham Williams, Northwest District Director; Valerie Bothell, Southwest District Director; and Southeast District Director, Nancy Machnicki.

Members who have completed the DAR Leadership Training and Genealogy Education Program courses were presented certificates, cords, and had their photo taken with State Regent Rebecca Kline and Jeri Kling, National Vice Chair, DAR Leadership Training, Members Course, Curriculum.

Appreciation was expressed to Rebecca Spaulding, State Recording Secretary, for creating the Chapter Regents photo presentation; to Linda Jensen, State Registrar and Bunnie Bowen, State Chair Volunteer Genealogists, and the DAR Leadership Training team of Jan Goss, Kimberly Patrick, and Tonya Adams for recognition of their graduates; and to Julie Crawford the pianist.

Mrs. Bullock announced the graduates would have their photos taken, and the Junior Club would meet at 9 p.m. in the Topeka room.

State Meetings Co-Chair Retha Blecha made announcements.

The State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes shared a benediction to close the banquet.

Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary

#### KSDAR 126TH STATE CONFERENCE Minutes of the Second Business Meeting Wichita Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas Saturday, April 27, 2024

The Second Business Session of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution convened on Saturday, April 27, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., at the Wichita Marriott Hotel in Wichita, Kansas, State Regent Rebecca Kline presiding. The State Recording Secretary was present.

The second report of the Credentials Committee was submitted by Barb Knopke, Chair.

At 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 27, 2024, the registration was:

State Officers	11
National Officers from Kansas	1
Honorary State Regents	4
Chapter Regents	38
Chapter Vice Regents Representing Chapter Regents	2
Delegates	118
If counted in more than one category minus	(4)
Total Entitled to vote	170
Non-voting members	76
National Officers not from Kansas	0
Guests	16
Total Registered	262

By direction of the Credentials Committee, Mrs. Knopke moved that the revised roll of delegates hereby submitted be the official roll of the voting members of the 126th Annual State Conference. <u>Adopted.</u>

The State Regent declared that the voting strength was 170.

Mrs. Kline asked for reports from the State Chairs of National Committees

America 250! State Chair, Melanie Horton; American Heritage, Valerie Bothell; Americanism, Glennice Musselwhite; Chapter Development

and Revitalization, Melissa Stuchlik; Children of the American Revolution, Amanda Tindell; Commemorative Events, Sally Pattee; DAR Genealogy Preservation, Patricia Spencer; DAR Library Outreach, Alice Bachand; DAR Magazine, Theresa Dominick; DAR Museum Outreach, Deb Eaves; DAR Project Patriot, Ilene McKaig; DAR School, Susan Cornelsen; DAR Service for Veterans, Pamela Kelley; Historic Preservation, Gerry Winters; Literacy Promotion, Haley Popelka; Master Reports, Dee Marshall; Membership, Laura Kaiser and Vice Chair Marla Slaughter; National Defense, Dixie Drake; Specialty Research, Elizabeth Winterbone; Service to America, Susan Davis; The Flag of the United States of America, Kathy Hays; and Volunteer Information Specialists, Jillian Pence and Mary Ayers.

Mrs. Kline asked for reports from the Chairs of State Committees. Historical Markers and Archives, Sherrie Smith; Kansas Chapel, Rev. Laurie Barnes; State Regent's Project, Kathryn Walker West; Supplemental Application Mid-Level Review Team, and Application Task Force, Linda Jensen; and the Kansas Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial, Patti Unruh, KSDAR designee.

Appreciation for the efforts and achievements of the State Chairs of National Committees and State Committees was expressed by all.

Mrs. Kline called attention to the work of those volunteers who serve on special committees who give countless hours helping members with applications; who checked modules for Leadership Courses; the AR&P proofreaders; the members of the Guest Hospitality Committee, the Vice Chairs of the State Meetings; the State Meetings Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer; the State Application Team; Application Task Force; the Volunteer Genealogists; and the new Specialty Research Team; the CMR reviewers; and members of the Music Committee, the Sunflower Singers, the credentials assistant; and members of the Historical Markers and Archive Committee. Appreciation was expressed by those attending.

The State Corresponding Secretary Laura Renfro read the Courtesy Resolution and moved its adoption.

Whereas, the One Hundred Twenty Sixth State Conference of the Kansas Society of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution has showcased the dedicated work of chapter regents and their chapters, state chairs of national and state committees, and state officers, in historic preservation, education, and patriotism as they serve God, Home, and Country; Rejoicing in Our Ties of DAR Service and Friendship.

Be it, RESOLVED, that gratitude be expressed to Pamela Edwards Rouse Wright, President General, for her expressions of greeting at the beginning of the State Conference.

Be it, RESOLVED, that appreciation be expressed for Kansas Governor Laura Kelly, as well as Wichita Vice Mayor the Honorable Maggie Ballard, and Kansas C.A.R. for their expression of greetings to the Kansas Daughters.

Be it, RESOLVED, that appreciation be expressed for Kentucky Daughter Leslie Rogers Miller, National Chair, Commemorative Events Committee for speaking at the Commemorative Luncheon.

Be it, RESOLVED, that appreciation be expressed to SAR State President Bryan Wampler for bringing greetings on behalf of SAR to DAR at the State Regent's Banquet.

Be it, RESOLVED, that appreciation be expressed for our own Kathryn Walker West, National Chair, America 250!, Honorary State Regent and past Corresponding Secretary General, who was the keynote speaker at the State Regent's Banquet.

Be it, RESOLVED, that the strong ties of friendship are offered to our conference guests, Edith "Edee" Brunia, Iowa State Regent; Linda Conrad, Kentucky State Regent; Patrice Donnelly, Alabama State Regent; Cheryl Gott, Louisiana State Regent; and Beth Hicks, District of Columbia State Regent for joining us at this historic 126<sup>th</sup> April State Conference and holding their torches high for our State Regent.

Be it, RESOLVED, that appreciation be expressed for Laurie Barnes, State Chaplain, as well as the wonderful singers who sang at the Memorial Service honoring the Kansas Daughters who have passed away. Gratitude is also extended to State Historian Sherrie Smith for the slide show and certificates to celebrate the remarkable achievement of the Kansas Society Nurses who have served.

Be it, RESOLVED, that gratitude be expressed to the Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard, Bill Marshall, Commander, for their service to the Kansas Daughters by presenting the colors.

Be it, RESOLVED, that gratitude be extended to Linda Jensen, State Registrar and Bunnie Bowen, Volunteer Genealogist; and all others who assisted for the Supplemental Pop-Up Session.

Be it, RESOLVED, that appreciation be extended to Elizabeth Winterbone, Master of Celebration for the Chapter Regent's Banquet.

Be it, RESOLVED, that appreciation be expressed to the staff of the Marriott Wichita for their willing help prior to and during this State Conference.

Be it, RESOLVED, that Kansas Daughters acknowledge and convey appreciation to the State Meetings Committee, Retha Blecha, Co-Chair, and Sara Larson, Co-Chair, for the incalculable hours putting the details of this conference together. Appreciation is extended to the State Music Committee, Jana Fallin, Chair, for the State Conference Music which enhances our experience together.

Be it, RESOLVED, that the Pages, Jamie Barton, Chair, for this State Conference, be thanked for their gift of service, and pageantry.

Be it, RESOLVED, that the Kansas Sunflower Singers, Kimberly Patrick, Director; Susan Keith, accompanist; for sharing your sparkling song and talents with us.

Be it, RESOLVED, that the Daughters of the Southeast District, Nancy Machnicki, District Director, who held their torches high to light up our State Conference appreciation is offered for hosting. Thanks to each of you for your contributions to the registration tables, decorating our tables, and knowing that your work is valued.

By direction of the Resolutions Committee, Mrs. Renfro moved the adoption of the Courtesy Resolution. <u>Adopted.</u>

State Regent Kline expressed gratitude for the hospitality of the host chapters in the Southeast District, Nancy Machnicki, Director, and invited the members to stand.

Southwest District Director, Valerie Bothell, invited the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution to the 127<sup>th</sup> Annual State Conference, to be held in Wichita, Kansas at the Wichita Marriott Hotel, April 3-5, 2025.

Susan Davis Assistant Southeast District Director presented the winner of the Service to America pin and a winner of a special basket.

Mrs. Kline expressed gratitude to Kathy Hays for stepping in to take on the role of State Meetings Treasurer.

Mrs. Blecha made announcements.

State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes offered a benediction.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary Reviewed by: Susan Davis, Lou Ann Preston, and Jaculin Aaron

#### KSDAR 126TH STATE CONFERENCE Awards Luncheon Wichita Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas Saturday, April 27, 2024

State Regent Kline greeted the members and guests at 12:00 p.m. The State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes opened the meeting with an invocation; the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Vicki Timmons, DAR Good Citizens Chair; the American's Creed was led by Sherrie Smith, State Historian; and Katana Ewbank, American History State Chair, led the first stanza of the National Anthem.

Following a buffet luncheon, the State Regent presented those seated at the head tables: State Officers: State Vice Regent Denise Bullock, State Chaplain Laurie Barnes, State Recording Secretary Rebecca Spaulding, State Corresponding Secretary Laura Renfro, State Organizing Secretary Patti Unruh, State Treasurer Tena Brucken, State Registrar Linda Jensen, State Historian Sherrie Smith, State Librarian Connie Becker, and State Reporter Melissa Precht. The State Chairs of Education-related committees: Katana Ewbank, American History; Vicki Timmons, DAR Good Citizens; Sherry Koster, DAR Scholarship; Donna Roberts, Junior American Citizens; Mary Gilpin, Community Classroom; Shirley Rasmussen, Constitution Week; Pamela Kelley, DAR Service for Veterans Committee; and Haley Popelka, South Central Division Vice Chair Junior American Citizens.

Mrs. Kline presented Honorary State Regents and guests; Mary Bannister Frisch, Honorary Vice President General, Past Registrar

General and Honorary State Regent; Patricia Eddy Carpenter, Past Registrar General, Past Vice President General, and Honorary State Regent; Brenda Dooley, Honorary State Regent, and Kathryn Walker West, Past Corresponding Secretary General and Honorary State Regent; Patrice Donnelly, State Regent of Alabama; Beth Hicks, State Regent District of Columbia; Edee Brunia, State Regent of Iowa; Linda Conrad, State Regent of Kentucky; Cheryl Gott, State Regent of Louisiana; Leslie Miller, National Chair Commemorative Events, Past Vice President General, and Honorary State Regent of Kentucky.

State Historian Sherrie Smith introduced Jason Smajda, Outstanding Teacher in American History, sponsored by the Tomahawk Chapter who gave a pre-recorded video acceptance.

Katana Ewbank, American History Committee State Chair, presented the American History Essay Winners: 5th Grade – Yara Alchekakie, sponsored by Shawnee Mission Chapter; 6th Grade – Ethan Frazier, sponsored by Topeka Chapter; 7th Grade – Zahra Khumri, sponsored by Shawnee Mission Chapter; and 8th Grade – Corbin Jones, sponsored by Topeka Chapter.

Ms. Ewbank introduced the Patriot of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay Contest Winner: Zoie Crupper, sponsored by Esther Lowrey Chapter.

The Community Classroom State Chair Mary Gilpin reported, and State Chair of the Constitution Week Committee Shirley Rasmussen reported.

The State Chair of the DAR Good Citizen Committee Vicki Timmons reported and introduced the Good Citizen winner: Olivia Peters, sponsored by the John & Hattie Possum Chapter.

Sherry Koster, DAR Scholarship Committee Chair, presented her report and introduced the winners. Kansas DAR Scholarship, Belle Mayne, sponsored by the Olathe Chapter; Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler Scholarship, Brenna White, sponsored by the Sagamore Chapter; and Gladys E. Routh Memorial Scholarship, Kailei Mitchell, sponsored by Eunice Sterling Chapter.

The State Chair DAR Service for Veterans Pamela Kelley introduced the Outstanding Veteran Volunteer Roland Mayhew, and Outstanding DAR Volunteer Nancy Appelhanz, both sponsored by the Topeka Chapter.

Donna Roberts, State Chair of the Junior American Citizens Committee, shared her report and heartfelt appreciation for Kansas chapters that supported the program, and directed the assembly to the JAC displays.

State Regent Rebecca Kline expressed appreciation to the State Committee Chairs for their dedication, and congratulated the winners and their families, and thanked the chapters for participating in the contests.

Appreciation was expressed to pianist Julie Crawford and Susan Keith for their fun and exhilarating music.

State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes closed the meeting with a benediction and the luncheon concluded at 2:00 p.m.

Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary

# KSDAR 126TH STATE CONFERENCE State Regents Banquet Wichita Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas Saturday, April 27, 2024

At 6:45 p.m., State Regent Rebecca Kline welcomed everyone to the State Regent's Banquet to celebrate "Celebrate America 250, "The First Greatest Generation," and honoring our SAR Compatriots.

The invocation was given by Reverend Laurie Barnes, State Chaplain; The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Retha Blecha, National Vice Chair America 250! Celebration Grants; Dee Marshall, National Vice Chair America 250! Patriot Express led the American's Creed; and Tonya Adams, South Central Division Vice Chair DAR Leadership Training, led the first verse of the National Anthem.

The Kansas State Society Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard presented the colors under Commander Bill Marshall. Appreciation was expressed to Compatriots Tim Baxter, Michael Halfman, Steve Hamlin, and Bit Roberts. The colors were posted, and the pages retired.

The State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes offered table grace, and dinner was served.

State Regent Kline presented Distinguished Kansas Daughters, National Chair America 250! Committee, Honorary State Regent, and Past Corresponding Secretary General, Kathryn Walker West; Honorary

Vice President General, Past Registrar General, and Honorary State Regent Mary Bannister Frisch; Honorary State Regent, Past Registrar General, Past Vice President General, Paticia Eddy Carpenter; and Honorary State Regent Brenda Judd Dooley.

The State Regent presented the visiting state regents and guests: Patrice Donnelly, State Regent of Alabama; Beth Hicks, State Regent District of Columbia; Edee Brunia, State Regent of Iowa; Linda Conrad, State Regent of Kentucky; Cheryl Gott, State Regent of Louisiana; Leslie Miller, National Chair Commemorative Events, Past Vice President General, and Honorary State Regent of Kentucky.

The State Officers were presented by Mrs. Kline: State Vice Regent Denise McNickle Bullock; State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Lowe Barnes; State Recording Secretary Rebecca Valliere Spaulding; State Corresponding Secretary Laura Johnson Renfro; State Organizing Secretary Patricia Kennedy Unruh; State Treasurer Tena Ramsour Brucken; State Registrar Linda Smitherman Jensen; State Historian Sherrie Lynne Smith; State Librarian Connie Becker; and State Reporter Melissa Precht.

Mrs. Kline presented Bryan Wampler State President Sons of the American Revolution and his wife Jennifer; Bill Marshall Commander of the SAR Color Guard and his wife Dee; Color Guard compatriots, Tim Baxter, Michael Halfman, Steve Hamlin, and Bit Roberts; and Dewey Fry SAR Award recipient and his wife Pat.

The Kansas Daughters serving as National Chairs, National Vice Chairs, South Central Division Vice Chairs, and members of a National Committee were recognized.

Members in attendance serving as heads of other lineage societies were recognized.

The keynote address was presented by Kathryn Walker West, National Chair America 250! Committee, Honorary State Regent, and Past Corresponding Secretary General.

Visiting State Regents brought greetings.

State President Bryan Wampler, Sons of the American Revolution brought greetings.

The Sunflower Singers provided the evening entertainment. Appreciation was expressed to Ms. Patrick, director, and the accompanist Susan Keith.

Mrs. Kline presented the state's first Hannah White Arnett Medal to Dewey Fry SAR member, for his long history of service to the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Chapter Regents from Dodge City, John Haupt, Mission Hills, Oceanus Hopkins, Polly Ogden, Topeka, Shawnee Mission and Uvedale were presented with certificates from SAR State President Bryan Wampler and Honor Guard Commander Bill Marshall for supporting membership for the SAR.

Jamie Barton, State Page Chair, introduced the State Conference Pages. Appreciation for their service was expressed by Mrs. Kline.

Drawings were held from the Southeast District to raise funds for the State Regent's Project.

The State Regent shared her appreciation for the work of the conference committees and to the to the Southeast District Daughters, Nancy Machnicki Director, State Meetings Co-Chairs Retha Blecha and Sara Larson, the pages, and the state officers, chapter regents, state chairs, and members.

Mrs. Larson made announcements.

The Daughter's Pledge was led by 2024 Outstanding Junior Jillian Pence, the assembly sang "Home on the Range," and State Chaplain Reverend Laurie Barnes gave the Benediction.

State Regent Kline adjourned the 126th State Conference at 9:48 p.m.

The colors were retired, and the head table was recessed.

Rebecca Valliere Spaulding, State Recording Secretary

## KSDAR APPROVED BUDGET 2024 Revenue

	e Income Accounts	
4010 St	ate Dues	29,500.00
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4230	Interest Income	
42	44 Capitalized Interest Income	3,000.00
Total	4230 Interest Income	<u>3,000.00</u>
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6420 St	tate Chairman Expense	
	Conference State Marshal	0.00
6479	Outstanding Regent Gift	0.00
	20 State Chairman Expense	$\overline{0.00}$
6450 Other State Expense		
6451	American History Teacher	250.00
6467	Outstanding Junior Member Pin	200.00
	Outstanding Jr Pin Runner Up	85.00
6471	C.A.R. \$0.05 per member (Art IV, Sec 3(a))	315.50
	Library \$0.10 per member	
6480	Page's Gifts	150.00
	President General Gift	150.00
	Volunteer Genealogist of the Yeat	120.00
6491	Mamie Eisenhower Event	<u>0.00</u>
	50 Other State Expense	1,470.00
	tate Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00
	tanding Rule Expense	
6810	C	6,500.00
	#4 State Officer Expense	250.00
6830		40.00
	#6 Pages, Continental Congress	50.00
	#7 Membership Development	150.00
6850		3,023.00
6860	S	185.00
	#23 Transportation Fund	250.00
	#26 Pilgrimage	50.00
	#29 Friendship Fund	50.00
6880	, E	0.00
	#29 State Conference	
	#25 Honorary St. Regent Ad	0.00
	00 Standing Rule Expense	10,548.00
	State Expense Categories	19,509.00
	all Forum Meeting Expense	600.00
	tstanding Chapter Award	0.00
6930 D		0.00
Total Expenditures		<u>20,109.00</u>
Net Revenue		<u>12,391.00</u>

#### As of DECEMBER 31, 2023 ASSETS **Current Assets** Checking/Savings 100 · CHECKING - CoreFirst Bank & Trust 131,586.22 131,586.22 **Total Bank Accounts Total Current Assets** 131,586.22 Other Assets 2000 · Cash Assets 2010 · General Fund CD 79597 24.091.43 2012 · General Fund CD 9065580375 17,032,57 2013 · General Fund CD (was Money Market) 82514 31,334.55 2040 · Good Citizen Scholar 2202 [2741] 15,015.64 2061 · KSDAR Scholarship CD 2201 [8413] 16,582.75 2062 · KSDAR Scholarship CD 79322 26,967.78 2080 · Lempenau Trust CD 9015 [2725] 1,662.78 2090 · Library Collection & Archives CD 5844 9,170.23 2100 · Library Collection & Archives CD 6682 7,239.21 2110 · Pendleton Scholars CD 8790 8992 2,560.67 2120 · Routh Scholarship CD 9012 [2758] 3,229.04 2130 · Chapel CD 6861 [4146] 4,696.40 2140 · Historical Markers CD 6860 [6648] 4,669.16 2150 · Historical Markers CD 3835 [6622] 6,237.38 2160 · Historical Markers CD 52116 15,539.10 2170 · Judd Smith Scholarship CD 8976 13,929.67 Total 2000 · Cash Assets 199,958.36 **Total Other Assets** 199,958.36 TOTAL ASSETS 331,544.58 LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities **Current Liabilities** Credit Cards 2952 · CoreFirst Credit Card Kline 0.00 2953 · CoreFirst Credit Card Brucken 60.00 Total Credit Cards 60.00 **Other Current Liabilities** 2050 · Pass Through Accounts 2510 · NSDAR Historic Programs and Funds 125.00

KSDAR STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

2520 · NSDAR Educational Programs and	
Funds	125.00
2530 · NSDAR Patriotic Programs and Funds	125.00
2540 · NSDAR Membership Programs and	
Admin	125.00
2550 · President Generals Project	977.00
2590 · Pass Through Miscellaneous	0.00
Total 2500 Pass Through Accounts	1,497.00
Sales Tax Agency Payable	0.00
Sales Tax Payable	<u>159.48</u>
Total Sales Tax Agency Payable	<u>159.48</u>
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	1,656.48
Total Current Liabilities	1,716.48
Total Liabilities	1,716.48
Equity	
3200 · Designated Funds	
3210 · NE District	472.00
3212 · NW District	391.04
3214 · SE District	220.25
3216 · SW District	309.97
3310 · Web Hosting	992.20
3312 · Technology	248.00
3315 · State Conference Fund	7,579.00
3320 ⋅ Co-op Ad	2,332.00
3331 · Leavenworth VA Hospital	498.66
3332 · Topeka VA Hospital	359.00
3333 · Wichita VA Hospital	576.33
3350 · Good Citizen Scholarship	16,639.66
3351 · Kessler Scholarship (\$2,515.41)	2,786.58
3352 · Lempenau Conference Award	1,767.48
3353 · Routh Scholarship (\$3,000)	3,441.01
3355 · KSDAR Scholarship Fund	56,532.65
3356 · Pendleton Scholarship (\$2,100)	2,560.67
3357 · Judd Smith Scholarship	13,908.20
3362 · Library Collection and Archives	18,038.98
3377 · Historical Markers Fund	33,763.73
3380 · Page Patron Fund	2,278.25
3394 · SRP Kline Donations	9,279.82
3395 · SRP Kline Merchandise Sales	5,920.26

3410 · Cameo Club	1,087.57
3420 · Chapter Regent Club	293.00
3430 · State Chairmen Club	357.00
3440 · State Officer Club	743.10
3445 · Junior Membership Club	1,360.77
3450 · Sunflower Singers	450.43
3451 · Junior Shoppe	7,674.77
3455 · Jr. Sales/Helen Pouch	-925.59
3456 · Friendship Fund	516.69
3460 · Chapel Fund	4,405.44
3470 · Regents Round Table NE District	918.93
3480 · Education Awards Celebration Fund	0.00
3482 · Cope Estate	5,000.00
3490 · Linwood Pioneer Cemetery Project	6,400.00
3500 · Leadership Training	1,025.75
Total 3200 · Designated Funds	210,203.60
3999 · Opening Bal Equity	0.00
9002 · Retained Earnings	110,855.60
Net Revenue	<u>8,768.90</u>
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Total Equity	329,020.10
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Total 5780 President General's Project	<u>13.51</u>	
Sales	0.00	
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u>47,516.61</u>	
Gross Profit	47,516.61	
Expenditures		
6000 · State Expense Categories		
6050 · Fixed Expenses		
6060 Accountant Fee	250.00	
6070 State Filing Fee	40.00	
6080 · Bank Service Charge	27.50	
6090 · Golden West Tea	16,704.78	
6130 Insurance	<u>1,436.00</u>	
Total 6050 · Fixed Expenses	18,458.28	
6200 · Operating Expenses		
6210 · Technology	728.00	
6220 · Newsletter	1,103.82	
6230 Postage Expense	113.95	
6250 Proceedings Report	2,308.40	
6270 KS Members Address File	206.00	
<b>Total 6200 · Operating Expenses</b>	4,460.17	
6420 State Chairman Expense		
6440 · Conference State Marshal	<u>63.59</u>	
Total 6420 State Chairman Expense	63.59	
6450 · Other State Expense		
6451 · American History Teacher	309.49	
6467 Outstanding Junior Member Pin	112.38	
6480 Page's Gifts	150.00	
6491 Mamie Eisenhower Event	<u>1863.20</u>	
Total 6450 · Other State Expense	2,435.07	
6499 State Miscellaneous Expenses	146.60	
6800 · Standing Rule Expense		
6810 · # 3 State Regent Allowance	6,500.00	
6820 · # 4 State Officer Expense	250.00	
6860 #22 Outstanding Junior	150.00	
Total 6800 · Standing Rule Expense	<u>6,900.00</u>	
<b>Total 6000 · State Expense Categories</b>	32,463.71	
6750 Fall Forum Meeting Expense	1,448.84	

6930 Donations (deleted)	0.00
Total Expenditures	33,912.55
Net Operating Revenue	13,604.06
Other Expenditures	
Reconciliation Discrepancies-1	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total Other Expenditures</b>	<u>0.00</u>
Net Other Revenue	<u>0.00</u>
Net Revenue	13,604.06

#### STATE OFFICER REPORTS

### State Regent Rebecca Kline

What a joy this year to visit multiple chapters since the Fall Forum. In September, the State Regent joined the Southeast District Chapters for their annual meeting along with State Officers from the Torch Team. At the beginning of October, she traveled to Washington, D.C. for the National Board of Management and leadership workshops highlighted with a wreath dedication. The month of November brought visits to Martha Loving Ferrell and Eunice Sterling Chapters in Wichita on one day and the next day visits to Mary Draper and Flores del Sol for lunch and a beautiful tea. It was an honor to visit with members new and seasoned. November was filled with chapter visits again in the Wichita area, Little Arkansas, Newton, and Uvedale Chapters entertained the state regent with a lovely tea. A bright sunny day greeted the state regent and many Northeast District Chapters marching in the Leavenworth Veterans Day Parade in November followed by a wreath dedication at the Buffalo Soldier statue at Ft. Leavenworth. She was privileged to travel in her district to engage the members of the Three Trails West, John & Hattie Possum, and Betty Washington chapters. These visits with members afford the state regent opportunities to create Ties of Friendship. She attended the Wyandot Chapter's 70th Anniversary where she was honored to bring greetings then participated in a service project with members. The Mission Hills Chapter invited the state regent to a special presentation of the Historic Preservation Award for Mary Frisch where she was able to give accolades. She was privileged to join the Tomahawk Daughters for a Christmas Luncheon and participate in the life celebration of long-time member Martie Wright. At the beginning of January, she presented the State Regent's Project for the Sagamore Chapter but was canceled for the Samuel Linscott Chapter due to high winds and snow. The Annual Executive Officer retreat planned for Abilene was also canceled due to extreme weather and was held by Zoom to conduct some business and fun. Holiday spirit abounded as more than 20 daughters traveled to Washington, D.C. for the Christmas Open House to celebrate the holidays with the Executive Officers. She attended the February National Board for additional workshops and the George Washington SAR Luncheon. The Northeast District workshop, under the leadership of Janet Alley, District Director, was a rousing success with over 100 attendees participating in interactive workshops. A small team of state officers and the state chair of Master Reports collaborated to contact and assist all 59 chapters to finish the CMR reports with 100% reporting. The state regent visited the Atchison and John Haupt Chapters where she met several new members and was showered with hospitality. She worked with the amazing State Meetings Co-Chairs, Southeast District members, State Marshal, and Protocol Chair over several months in planning for the State Conference. She was fortunate to travel to State Conferences in Alabama, Massachusetts, and Nevada to represent the Kansas Society. A special honor was to participate in a veteran's pinning ceremony in Gardner, coordinated by Where The Trail Divides Chapter members. April visits were to the Arthur Barrett and Mission Hills chapters for a tea and luncheon respectively. The State Regent's Project will support two organizations this year: Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, and War Horses for Veterans with Liberty Grants totaling eight thousand dollars in support of their programs to promote holistic mental and physical wellness for PTS. Both applications were sponsored by the Tomahawk Chapter, Sue Cowan Regent. She looks forward to the Leadership graduation, the recognition of nurses for the 125th Anniversary of the DAR Hospital Corps, America 250th presentation, and the awarding of the first Hannah White Arnett medal of the Kansas Society during State Conference. She wants to express her gratitude to the State Officers and State Committee Chairs who hold the torch high for excellence in DAR and looks forward to visits with chapters in May and June for continued engagement to Celebrate Stars & Stripes Forever through DAR Service and Friendship.

## **State Vice Regent**

Denise Bullock

The year kicked off with splendor at the 132nd Continental Congress where the Kansas Society hosted the Golden West Tea. This officer fully appreciated her creative committee comprised of Laura Renfro,

Rebecca Spaulding, Mary Cutting and Kristi Kocher. The Torch Talk monthly Zoom meetings organized by Patti Unruh, State Organizing Secretary, continue to provide a forum to support chapters. Genealogy workshops were attended for the Kanza and Molly Foster Berry chapters. It was a pleasure to attend and present a program at the Southeast District Workshop, Nancy Machnicki, Director, September. Other highlights include interaction with chapter regents and their events, participation in the Veteran's Day Parade in Leavenworth, Kansas, a Vietnam 50th pinning ceremony for over 20 African American veterans with the Sagamore Chapter and Day at the Dole. This officer organized and planned the 2024 Executive Team Planning Retreat in Abilene. A pending weather event forced an all-day Zoom meeting instead, but the Team rallied to make it a productive day. Congratulations to executive liaison state chairs for their continued dedicated service: Ashley Mayer, Junior Membership; Jamie Barton, Page Chair; Glennice Musselwhite, Americanism; and the DAR Leadership Training team of Jan Goss, Tonya Adams, and Kim Patrick.

### **State Chaplain**

### **Laurie Barnes**

During a very exciting year, this officer had the opportunity to help with the wreath laving ceremony for Mamie Eisenhower in Abilene, attend the 132nd Continental Congress, participate in the wreath laying at the Buffalo Soldier Monument at Fort Leavenworth and march in the Veterans Day Parade in Leavenworth with other Northeast District Daughters. She also attended the Vietnam War Commemoration in Gardner sponsored by the Where the Trail Divides Chapter. On the quieter side of things, throughout the year, this officer shared 50+ joys and concerns of our Kansas Daughters with our 17-member Prayer Warriors prayer team. This dedicated team remains faithful in prayer long after the initial request is made. Many of that team helped with the two NSDAR Day of Prayer Services held in October. This officer continues to be a resource to the Chapter chaplains and encourages them individually and through a monthly Chaplain's article in the CyberSunflower. Sadly, this officer had to prepare for a State Memorial service honoring the 70 Daughters we lost to death since last year. Sympathy cards were sent and over 100 birthday cards were mailed to Kansas Daughters ages 90 and greater. Looking forward to next year!

## **State Recording Secretary**

## **Rebecca Spaulding**

This State Officer started off her year attending Continental Congress and serving on the Marshal Committee and as a Balcony Volunteer. She attended the Quivira Crossing Chapter meeting to install their new officers, the Mamie Eisenhower grave marking, the celebration of life for Honorary State Regent Kathryn Compton, the NW/SW District workshop in Hays, the NE District workshop, and Newton Chapter's 100th Anniversary. She prepared the 2023 Annual Reports and Proceedings, took minutes at the Finance, Executive Committee, Board of Management, and State Conference meetings. She has assisted with special projects creating PowerPoints, spreadsheets, and other documents for the state Society and Chapters. She looks forward to planned events for the rest of the year and attending another fantastic Congress. She would like to thank her executive liaison state chairs for their hard work and service: Janelle DeFrees, Bylaws; Jeanna Walters-Fancella, Conservation; Dixie Drake, National Defense; and Susan Davis, Service to America.

### **State Corresponding Secretary**

### Laura Renfro

The Kansas Society is brightly lighting up with the glow from the torches of our Daughters. Two hundred and twenty-five Welcome cards were sent out to new members on behalf of the State Regent. This officer organized and led the NW District DAR National Day of Prayer Service in Manhattan, Kansas, where Daughters signed cards to send goodies to our DAR Museum and Development Offices. Representing Kansas at the Christmas Open House in Washington, DC, and the Boston Tea Party Commemorative Event in Sedgwick with the Newton Chapter, these were "sparkle-tacular." This officer attended a Zoom meeting with the Corresponding Secretary General in January and traveled to headquarters to attend Development Committee training. Invitations were sent to the Kansas Governor's office, the Wichita Mayor's office, and the SAR President to attend and or bring greetings to our April Conference. The State Historian and this officer are creating a PowerPoint presentation for the State Conference to commemorate the anniversary of the DAR Hospital Corps and the Kansas nurses in DAR. As our executive board passes the halfway point in the Kline Administration this officer is certain the best is vet to come in service to Kansas, the cause of Liberty, and in deepening ties to Stars and Stripes Forever.

## **State Organizing Secretary**

Patti Unruh

After attending the 132nd Continental Congress, Mamie Eisenhower Grave Dedication and Kanza Chapter Genie Workshop in Prattplanning began on the NW/SW District Workshop in Hays, with the valued assistance of NW District Director, Nancy Williams, SW District Director, Val Bothell and Courtney-Spalding Chapter Regent, Karen McCune. This officer attended the Fall Forum in Havs and continues to be energized by "sparkling" Kansas Daughters. This officer attended the SE District Meeting in Garnett, with appreciation extended to Nancy Machnicki, SE District Director. In November, this officer was honored to travel to Italy with NSDAR, a cherished experience. This officer attended the virtual Executive Committee Planning Retreat in January and assisted chapters with the CMR. This officer attended the NE District Workshop in Shawnee, with appreciation extended to Janet Alley, NE District Director. The "Torch Talk" initiative continues to foster rapport and education through a collaborative approach, bridging state officers and committee state chairs in assisting chapters with sustainability and growth. This officer thanks her liaison committee state chairs: Melissa Stuchlik, CDRC; Laura Kaiser, Membership; Marla Slaughter, PMD; Amanda Tindell, C.A.R.; Jan Wichman, GRC; Monna Metzger, Patriot Records Project. The official January 1, 2024, membership count: 3,023; 59 chapters.

State Treasurer Tena Brucken

This officer has been active since the Fall Forum 2023 in Hays. She initiated filings with the State of Kansas Dept of Revenue for quarterly sales tax. Dues were received between late September through December 1, 2023. All 59 chapters were received before the December 1 deadline. Thank you to the chapter treasurers for their timely compliance. She attended the NE District in February of 2024 in greater Kansas City. It was a very informative workshop and a chance to meet new members. She attended three State Zoom meetings with her fellow officers, Finance Council and Executive Committee. It has been an honor to serve our State Regent as State Treasurer.

# State Registrar Linda Jensen

This State Officer wants to start by thanking the hard-working chapter registrars, lineage research committees, volunteer genealogists, SAT, and SMRT. The genealogy team and your state registrar worked on applications, supplementals, AIRs, and pre-letters. Quarterly Zoom

calls with the NSDAR Registrar General, other state registrars and National Genealogy Committee chairs were informative and fun. She kept her virtual meeting skills sharp by attending Torch Team, membership meetings and State Executive Board retreat via Zoom. She presented workshops at the Northeast District meeting, attended Fall Forum in Hays and participated in the Volunteer Supplemental Indexing Project in DC. Membership reports were sent monthly to State Officers and State chairs. As of February 5, 2024, the report states that there are 3029 KSDAR members, including 355 new members during the Legacy to Liberty administration. She completed the Committee Leaders Course, just in time for the soon-to-be-released Supplemental training course. Seventeen registrars have completed the free GEP course. This State Officer wishes to commend them as we continue to work towards our goal. Bunnie Bowen, Melissa Stuchlik, Phyllis Benedict, Trish Spencer, Barb Knopke and Ilene McKaig, best State Genie Team in the DAR.

### State Historian Sherrie Smith

This State Historian's rewarding and eventful year included continued work and planning on reorganization of KSDAR archival records and replacement of damaged Black Dog Trail Campsite markers. With the assistance of chapters, updates to the growing KSDAR Historic Markers Directory were added. Several entries were made to the KSDAR master list of Daughters with DAR Insignia marked graves. A highlight of 2023 was the DAR Grave Marker Dedication for Mamie Doud Eisenhower on June 3rd in Abilene. Attendees included granddaughter Mary Jean Eisenhower and keynote speaker, Historian General Suzanne Heske. In Mamie's honor, KSDAR presented \$3,880 in donations to the Eisenhower Foundation for future Living Floral Tributes, the planting of rose bushes and trees, on the Eisenhower Presidential Library, Museum and Boyhood Home grounds. Jason Smajda, sponsored by the Tomahawk Chapter, was named the 2024 KSDAR Outstanding Teacher of American History. Mr. Smajda's application was forwarded for the national level competition, in which he ranked third at the DAR national level. Twenty chapters were given state recognition for reported activities involving honoring their Patriots, preservation of chapter records, reassessment, maintenance and/or placement of historical markers, and holding events and activities celebrating a variety of Commemorative Events. This officer is honored to continue to serve Kansas Daughters and the Kline Administration.

State Librarian Connie Becker

This officer continues to be dazzled by the outstanding work of Kansas Daughters. Attending board meetings, state meetings, conferences, Continental Congress, and chapter meetings increases knowledge and appreciation of how each member strives to serve God. Home, and Country in every corner of our state. She keeps the list current of donations to the NSDAR Library and Wichita Advance Learning Library. This officer serves as the facilitator of the "wish list" for Wichita Advance Learning Library (W.A.L.L.) and other book donations from chapters and members to enhance the genealogy section. The list of Kansas Daughters who are published authors continues to grow with 29 known at this time. Encouraging chapters to show appreciation to local, county, and school librarians is growing in our state. Book clubs keep sprouting and growing in knowledge. In this Jubilee year of the NSDAR library, chapters will celebrate this worldrenowned library and its growth over the years. Appreciation and gratitude are extended to the dedicated hard work of her liaison committees: Literacy Promotion, Junior American Citizen, Museum Outreach, DAR Schools, DAR Library Outreach, and Community Classroom. It is an honor to sparkle and serve with the incredible state officers in the Legacy of Liberty administration.

# State Reporter Melissa Precht

This officer is honored to have served as a delegate to the 132nd Continental Congress in addition to serving on the Congress Communications Committee and as a Balcony Volunteer. She has been delighted to support the "A Legacy of Liberty" administration through the publication of CyberSunflower and KSDAR News. She has implemented processes to improve communications while saving developing a black-and-white version CyberSunflower to post on the KSDAR website and make it more printer friendly. Her recommendation to mail KSDAR News only to members without email resulted in a 75-percent reduction in associated costs. This officer considers it a privilege to spread the word of the sparkling accomplishments that demonstrate Kansas Daughters hold the torch high for DAR! She has maintained the email database to ensure its accuracy and worked with chapters to maintain accurate mailing addresses. She participated in the Fall Forum in Hays by presenting a session on "Communications: Let's Dial up the Sparkle" and providing AV support. This officer wishes to thank her liaison state committee chairs for their sparkling service: Janis Miller, American Indians; Mary Ayers and Jillian Goss, VIS; Michelle Stephens, Public Relations & Media; and Diana Crouch and Sally Bender, Webmasters.

### REPORTS OF STATE CHAIRS OF NATIONAL STANDING COMMITTEES

America 250! Melanie Horton

This Chair is proud of the efforts of the Kansas Chapters in preparing for and promoting America 250! within their communities. KSDAR grants, activities, and events related to America 250! have more than tripled since our 2022 report. Five chapters have submitted and received Celebration Grants for America 250! Two chapters have or are in the process of submitting grant requests. Fifteen chapters shared Patriot Spotlights on social media, presented monthly Patriot minutes at meetings and in newsletters, held specific programs and activities related to our Patriots and historic events, had write-ups in news outlets and local newspapers promoting and reporting on their activities in preparation and support of America 250! Several chapters celebrated The Boston Tea Party. This chair gives special recognition to the Council Oak Chapter for their tree planting and Boston Tea Party. This chair commends John Athey daughter Elizabeth Smoots Myklestad writing for 2026@substack.com subscription service highlighting the 2026 anniversary; Little Arkansas daughter Sandy Padmanabhan and Marais Des Cygnes daughter Jo Lene Thoele who prepared special Patriot programs in support of America 250!; and Shawnee Mission Daughter Patricia Nickle posting 52 American Revolution Flashbacks and six Patriot stories to the chapter Facebook page.

# American Heritage Valerie Bothell

Kansas Daughters used their sewing skills to support veterans by making port pillows, ditty bags, patriotic pillowcases and 50 fleece blankets for the VA. Fort Riley was the recipient of over 70 Christmas Stockings and 69 baby blankets due to the generosity of many chapters. There were 63 Quilts of Valor awarded and ten baby blankets were donated to the Project Patriot program. The Esther Lowrey Chapter dressed in period costumes for their Boston Tea Party and members of the Wichita Chapter dressed as George and Martha Washington on the 4th of July. Program topics included the history of dolls, how to write a book, basket weaving, Navajo rugs, and Revolutionary War Instruments

and Art. Three chapters utilized Kansas Humanities with the program "Dress for Success: Nelly Don and American Fashion" by Marla Day. There were 11 individual entries consisting of Daughters from the following chapters: Atchison, Esther Lowrey, Mary Draper, Mission Hills, Olathe and Prairie Flint Hills. There was also one group entry consisting of five members from the Shawnee Mission chapter. Overall, there were 58 programs with 531 participants sparkling for the American Heritage Committee.

### **American History**

#### Katana Ewbank

This Chair is excited to report that American History is alive and well among our Kansas Chapters. Every chapter delved into American History at some level in 2023. From programs around our national park system to history minutes, motivations behind the Boston Tea Party to field trips to historic sites, the natural curiosity about the history of our country shined through with our Kansas Daughters. In addition to these programs, ten strong Kansas women were added into the national database for their contribution to the progress of our nation. Recognizing the women who shaped our country didn't stop there with three-quarters of our Patriots of the American Revolution essay entries featuring women who played a key role in the founding of our nation. While overall essay entries were down in 2023, quality was not, and our judges once again were blown away by the insights of our young participants. We can rejoice that our DAR Ties of Service and Friendship have helped us to share the sparkle of American History with the state of Kansas

# American Indians Janis Miller

Fifty-three KSDAR chapters have been champions for American Indians, presented 37 chapter programs, shared 374 American Indian minutes and secured ten proclamations. Members supported American Indian School Funds with \$37.82; Friends of American Indians fund, \$225; Navajo Nation Reservation, \$50; St. Joseph Indian School, \$250; Bacone College, \$323; and Chemawa funds, \$171.30, among others. Two chapters quilted and donated four quilts to Chemawa. Twenty-four chapters supported Haskell Indian Nations University with school supplies, personal care items and gift cards totaling \$2,599.21. The Dodge City Chapter used a classroom grant to make a permanent high school display and presented gifts to Kiowa Chief Satanta's descendants during Satanta Days Celebration. The William Wilson Chapter assisted

with the 145th Anniversary celebration of Punished Women's Fork Battle, which displayed excellent Cheyenne military strategy and the last battle between the U.S. Calvary and Indian Nation in Kansas. Other chapter activities included a book club on "Killers of the Flower Moon," wearing red shawls to honor women who experienced violence in homes and villages, and riding in Medicine Wheel Ride in Sturgis, South Dakota. Elementary kids learned about Indian poetry, and members served as docents in museums. You have shone brightly for American Indians!

#### Americanism

#### Glennice Musselwhite

Kansas Daughters eagerly volunteer and support causes to promote civic education and love of country! Those living near naturalization ceremonies organized events to welcome and honor new citizens. Some hosted receptions, while others handed out welcome cards and flag pins. Several assisted petitioners to prepare for their exam. Most chapters recite the American Creed at meetings, some march in parades from Patriot's Day to Veterans Day, and others make displays to celebrate Citizenship Day or to salute our veterans. Members provide schools and community centers with demonstrations on proper folding of the American flag. Chapter newsletters include Americanism messages, and the singing of patriotic songs adds a spark to chapter events. Patriotic chapter programs included History of the USO; First-hand Experience of Immigration, Green Card and Citizenship; and Stories of Deployment by a former Navy Seal. Many chapters commemorated the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party with unique tea parties and re-enactments of the actual event with local SAR members. Congratulations, ladies, for keeping the sparkle of patriotism alive!

# **Chapter Development & Revitalization**

# Melissa Stuchlik

The CDRC continues to work with the Kansas Torch Team helping chapters become more vibrant and helping their membership increase. Workshops were held for two chapters with several applications being completed. Many Chapters joined the district workshops, asked for help and sent pictures of the fun activities in which they were involved. Sharing ideas as well as helpful suggestions for the growth of their chapters has helped several chapters welcome new members. Flag meetings and fun programs were a great way to bring guests to meetings and many of the chapters had a great time with the different anniversaries this past year. Working on the chapter Annual checkup

provided several chapters a place to "score" where they are doing a great job and where they may need to put a little more work. Engaging members is a priority for many chapters and a goal of the CDRC.

### Children of the American Revolution Amanda Tindell

Children of the American Revolution continues to thrive through the dedicated help of Daughters of the American Revolution. There are six C.A.R. societies in Kansas: Buffalo, Joseph Plumb Martin, Kansa, Leavenworth, Lone Elm Campground, and Santa Fe Trail. Dodge City, Desire Tobey Sears, Little Arkansas, Olathe, Sagamore, Three Trails West, and Topeka Chapters continue to work closely with these societies. Many DAR members serve as Senior leaders for the C.A.R. Without these ladies the C.A.R. could not function. Chapters continue to invite family members to join, visit the webpage for C.A.R., donate at all levels for \$1084, and invite C.A.R. members to join them in events. Dual events included parades, Wreaths Across America, Flag flying, fundraisers, tours, and even a back-to-school picnic. The event this chair is most excited to report is Leavenworth Society has a new home! This chair reported last year that the Leavenworth Society needed a new home and as always, DAR did not disappoint. The Esther Lowrey Chapter has taken on the Society in Independence, Kansas, with Alicia Hightower as Senior President. If anyone in that area knows anyone interested in joining C.A.R. please reach out.

#### Commemorative Events

**Sally Pattee** 

In 2023, the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War was celebrated by 36 chapters. The chapters held 13 programs, distributed 360 pins to veterans, and distributed certificates and surviving spouse pins. distributed pins and certificates individually. proclamations were obtained. Thirty-seven Quilts of Valor were presented. Three chapters are Commemorative Partners. Two Vietnam Veteran Associations were recognized as Honorary Partners. The 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party was celebrated by 23 chapters. Thirteen chapters held tea parties. Party events included Daughters and SAR members in Revolutionary War era attire, skits, presentations, décor, and props replicating the pier and ship, and making tea bags. Eight chapters sent loose-leaf tea to Boston. Chapters commemorated the 125th Anniversary of John Philip Sousa's "Stars & Stripes Forever", the 125th of the Spanish-American War, the 150th Anniversary of Yellowstone National Park, the 50th Anniversary of the NASA Space

Shuttle, the 250th Birthday of the USN, the 125th Anniversary of the DAR Hospital Corps, the Legacy of Bernardo de Galvez, and the 100th Anniversary of the signing of the American Indian Citizenship act with programs and other information sharing. Kansas Daughters celebrated July 4th by participating in parades, fireworks display, and family celebrations.

### **Community Classroom**

Mary Gilpin

Thirty-eight Community Classroom Committee Chapters participated in 2023, working in our Pre-K-12th grade classrooms. With 129 members volunteering in local classrooms, 5,435 children were impacted by 27 chapters or individual members providing financial support, seven members purchased "Friends of Education" pins, 17 chapters participated in National Teacher Appreciation Week Activities, Shawnee Elementary School submitted the American Revolution Grant and won \$5,000! Various activities were reported: Delivering goodies and Sonic drinks during National Teacher Appreciation Week, 186 lesson plans were submitted directly to local school districts, Flag Day coloring contest, Flags distributed to students, providing teacher kits, volunteering in classrooms, Chapters created displays during historical events at school such as Constitution Week, purchased and donated books, pamphlets, and patriotic materials, Colonial Tea/Colonial Trunk, and gift cards given to teachers. One school library was lacking children's books explaining Veterans Day and how Veterans are honored, one chapter donated the following books to the library: Hero's in Our Neighborhood, America's White Table, F is for Flag, Veterans Day along with reading them to classrooms. Another chapter wrote lesson plans about Japan providing handouts and interactive activities for the students. Daughters of the American Revolution SPARK the Love of Learning!

# **Community Service Awards**

Janet Alley

Twenty-two Kansas Chapters sparkled brightly by presenting 30 Community Service Awards. Eight chapters presented two awards each with 14 chapters presenting one award. At the Fall Forum, CSA awards were presented to Dr. April Terry and Dr. Sarah Broman Miller, who co-developed their Bonding with Books Program to help female inmates at the Topeka Correctional Facility increase their reading confidence and use literature to bond with their children and grandchildren. Other volunteer service included historical preservation, advocating for

historic cemeteries, leading historic tours, photographing student athletes free of charge, fundraising for education, meals and medical needs, providing positive events to engage teens, encouraging hiking for recreation and health, promoting Quilts of Valor, providing crafted items to brighten someone's day, founding a non-profit food pantry, volunteering with Wheels on Wheels, helping homeless people with their pets, providing the funds to build a city park restroom, serving others through church food pantries, playing piano and organ, working with Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Kiwanis, volunteering at information desks and gift shops at hospitals, and working with after school programs. This chair has provided certificates to the 22 chapters that participated in the Community Service Awards Committee by honoring outstanding volunteers in their communities.

#### Conservation

#### Jeanna Walters-Fancella

Kansas Daughters know how important natural resources are, and they worked together to continue the vision of a healthy environment. As Preservers of the Planet, 30 chapters across the state continued to support conservation efforts and reported Conservation Minutes at their meetings and in newsletters. Fifty-five Arbor Day activities took place, and 150 beautiful pollinator gardens were maintained by 27 chapters. Kansas chapters participated in community clean-up projects, Never-Forget Gardens, pollinator gardens, and tree plantings; topics on solar power, wildlife conservation, environmentally friendly products, and composting was offered; Recycling continued to be a favorite activity for over 80% of chapters. Daughters participated in activities including cleaning headstones, weeding cemeteries and church yards, recycling clothes into quilts, providing food and water for wildlife, the National Audubon society saw numerous members participating in the Great Backyard Bird Count, Sunshine Gardens were planted, Leave No Trace lessons were taught to youth and scout groups, No Straw September was still observed, backyards were certified as Sustainable Wildlife Habitats, monarch butterflies were raised; eagles were counted and Earth Day events took place. Kansas Daughters continued to show love for our planet and practice good stewardship in 2023.

#### **Constitution Week**

### **Shirley Rasmussen**

Participation was exciting this year. Many chapters came up with creative ideas to celebrate Constitution Week. This year our ladies obtained 64 proclamations from government officials. Our members

delivered 1444 Constitution Week kits to schools this past September. Two hundred eighty-nine displays were set up in schools, libraries, and other public places. One hundred forty-nine public schools were visited and programs on the Founding Fathers or the US Constitution were presented to community groups. Community yard signs were placed. Flags, electronic billboards, newspaper articles, radio spots and local cable news ran information about Constitution Week. Most impressive this year were activities I read about that chapters used to educate their own chapters, students, and the community about Constitution Week. There was Bingo, trivia; "How Much Do You Know About the Constitution" and Jeopardy. Also, everyone is interested in age-appropriate CW books for elementary, middle and high school. Thanks to everyone for their hard work.

#### **DAR Genealogy Preservation**

**Patricia Spencer** 

Three new projects are currently under development and are eagerly awaited by this Committee. The Microfiche Project will digitize and categorize approximately three million early supporting documents submitted with applications from the 1950s through the mid-1980s. These documents were copied onto microfiche and then returned to the chapters: therefore, they were not included in the Supporting Documentation Project. Many of these documents are Bible records, personal family letters and cemetery records which cannot be found anywhere else. The Historian General's Marker Project will digitize and index over 140,000 cards that have been stored in the Office of the Historian General. The cards contain information about DAR markers including those for Revolutionary War soldiers, Real Daughters, and historical markers. Once completed, this information will be easily accessible to members. The Bible Catalog Project will categorize recently submitted Bible records to the Genealogical Records Committee so that they can be found using the Bible search feature on the GRS. Numerous members have volunteered to work on these projects and are eagerly awaiting the opportunity to serve. This chairman appreciates the opportunity to serve NSDAR.

#### **DAR Good Citizens**

Vicki Timmons

DAR chapters across Kansas recognized the best and brightest high school seniors for the DAR Good Citizens Award. Early in the school year, Kansas Daughters were out in force contacting schools and distributing information about this award and essay contest. In all, 132

high schools were contacted with 66 young people recognized for demonstrating excellence in Dependability, Service, Leadership and Patriotism. Individual Kansas chapters awarded a combined total of \$5,455 to these well-deserving seniors. Along with a cash award and certificate, our chapters found outstanding ways to recognize and celebrate their respective winners. Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter presented their winner with a flag that had flown over Constitution Hall in Washington DC. Several chapters presented the awards at a school assembly or special tea and submitted photos of winners to local newspapers and school yearbooks. Miss Olivia Kaelynn Peters of Mill Valley High School in Shawnee is this years' KDSAR Good Citizens Award winner. She was sponsored by the John and Hattie Possum Chapter, Sherry Bowlin, chapter chair. Well done Kansas Daughters!

# DAR Leadership Training Committee Leadership Course

**Kim Patrick** 

The Committee Leaders course continues to have active participation from all parts of the state. Since the last graduation, there have been 25 graduates of the Committee Leaders course. Reviews have remained extremely positive from both newer members and long-term members. The course has been promoted through the CyberSunflower, social media, as well as through presentations at District meetings. In 2024, nine Kansas Chapters won the Twinkling Stars Chapter Award: Courtney-Spalding, Flores Del Sol, Isabella Weldin, John Haupt, Little Arkansas, Mission Hills, Nathan Edson, Polly Ogden, and Three Trails West. The Shooting Stars Chapter Award is the second highest and four chapters reached this level: Esther Lowrey, John & Hattie Possum, Martha Vail, and Olathe. The highest level of achievement for a chapter is the North Star Award, and the first and only Kansas Chapter to reach this level is the Shawnee Mission Chapter. The Trifecta Award is for Kansas Daughters that have graduated from all three of the courses, Members, Committee Leaders, and New Horizons. To date, 66 Kansas Daughters have achieved this feat.

Members Course Jan Goss

Kansas Daughters continue to "SPARKLE" through Members Course Training modules in their efforts to learn the ins and outs of what it means to be a Daughter. This coordinator has attended National Leadership Training ZOOM meetings, facilitated Members Course training sessions, attended and presented at the NE District Workshop and was available at State Conference and Fall Forum to discuss the advantages of completing the Members Course and its ability to grow chapter members through learning more about DAR. Members Course modules teach members how to become actively engaged members of their chapters. Since the inception of the New Members/Members Course, 394 Kansas Daughters have completed the Members Course. This year April 2023 - February 2024 Kansas had a total of 28 Daughters from 14 Chapters completing the Members Course with an additional 49 members from 23 Chapters currently working diligently on their course requirements. In the following year this coordinator looks forward to facilitating workshops throughout the state of Kansas. It has been a joy to work with Kansas Daughters as they learn about our Society and share their new skills with other Daughters.

#### **New Horizons Course**

**Tonya Adams** 

Since the beginning of the Kline Administration, this chair has proudly watched 15 New Horizons graduates receive their certificate and cords. This chair has attended National Vice Chair Leadership Training ZOOM meetings, State Chair Leadership Training ZOOM meetings, attended and presented at the NE District Workshop, been available at State Conference to discuss the importance of Leadership Training Courses, taught one-on-one and in group settings the New Horizons, Members and Committee Leaders Courses. This chair has encouraged Daughters by phone, email, and in person, to complete their modules and help with their capstone projects. Projects have included creation of newsletters, digitizing scrapbooks, celebrations, processing and digitizing of materials for an online exhibit at a local museum, and a celebration to honor an Army reserve company. Two of these received DAR grants. One of DAR's worst kept secrets is the release of the "new" New Horizons Course on May 1. This chair is honored to be part of the National Team that revamped this course. Two of this year's graduates were in the test group. My personal goal next year is to double this administration's New Horizons graduates. Madame State Regent, it is such an honor to serve you.

# **DAR Library Outreach**

Alice Bachand

The purpose of this committee is to promote not only the DAR Library, but also local libraries. Chapters formed book clubs where they read and discussed titles from the DAR Book Club Reading List or historical titles of their own choosing. They co-sponsored book walks with local

libraries, had library displays for Constitution Week and other events, supported Little Free Libraries, served on library boards, held meetings and genealogy workshops in libraries, presented local librarians "Thank You Kits," and read to children during library story hours. One thousand, three hundred ninety-nine books and funds to buy books were donated to public and school libraries, local Friends of the Library, county health departments, Head Start, pre-schools, NSDAR Library and KSDAR collection at the Wichita ALL, and the KSDAR Literacy Project at the 2023 Fall Forum. Additionally, American Spirit subscriptions were donated to public libraries. Kansas Daughters also volunteered at local public, school, and church libraries. In the *CyberSunflower* each month, Daughters were encouraged to read books from the DAR Book Club List, from the Kansas Notable Book List, or books written by Kansas Daughters, and to visit the committee page at NSDAR for more ideas.

### **DAR Magazine**

### Theresa Dominick

Another noteworthy year with the American Spirit Magazine/Daughters Newsletter has passed. Kansas Daughters go out of their way to promote the magazine. Chapters have given reminders at monthly meetings to renew subscriptions, given old copies in welcome packets for new members, read articles at meetings, taken old copies to public locations at doctor's offices, libraries, and nursing homes, given a year subscription as a door prize, given subscriptions to new members, given assistance with renewing, given subscriptions as gifts for program speakers, and made posts on Facebook groups. Be creative and think of new ways to promote such a wonderful product of the DAR. This year, the chapters favorite articles were Chapter Ideas! Ideas! Ideas! Historic Homes & House Museums, All That Sparkles with the President General, and Stars & Stripes Forever. Another way to support the magazine/newsletter is to submit a "With the Chapters" article. Thirteen chapters reported submitting such an article. Although a nominal fee of \$30 has been added for submitting this type of article, it is still a great way to highlight the outstanding work that Kansas Daughters do throughout the year. Great job Kansas! Keep up the good work!

#### **DAR Museum Outreach**

**Deb Eaves** 

This chair is happy to report that Kansas chapters sparkled by providing monetary donations to Friends of the Museum and Museum Keepers. Two chapters donated books to the Give-A-Book and one chapter

donated three items to Adopt-An-Object. Kansas is fortunate to have a Correspondent Docent representing the DAR Museum. Three programs were presented to DAR chapters and one to an SAR chapter and during attendance at Correspondent Docent Training during Continental Congress, she was selected to serve on the committee to assist with the redevelopment of the Corresponding Docent Museum programs. Another Kansas daughter applied to become a Correspondent Docent in Training. The DAR Museum continues to be supported at chapter meetings with the inclusion of Museum Moments. Several chapters publish museum information in their newsletters and on their social media sites. Kansas Daughters toured the museum in person during Continental Congress and shared their experiences and photos at their chapter meetings. The Shawnee Mission Chapter sponsored a museum program presented by NSDAR Curator General Dr. Susan Metzger. This program was quite successful with 86 ladies in attendance. This chair would like to thank Kansas Daughters for raising the torch high in support of our beautiful museum.

### **DAR Project Patriot**

Ilene McKaig

Kansas Daughters continued to sparkle brightly with their service to Active-Duty Military Personnel in 2023. Forty-five of 59 Chapters (76.3%) participated in Project Patriot activities. There were three major projects of note in the state: Mother's Day Spa Boxes were assembled at the 2023 State Conference; the Northeast District provided 250 HUGS to deploying soldiers at Fort Riley; and the Southwest District served over 1700 military children by providing treats at the McConnell AFB Trunk-or-Treat Event. Two Kansas Chapters – Esther Lowrey and Quivira Crossing – received funding for their projects through the NSDAR Each State Sparkles Project. Other chapters participated in creating baby blankets both for Fort Riley and McConnell AFB, as well as for the Overseas Military Baby Blanket Project. Other projects included sewing Christmas Stockings for Fort Riley and McConnell, Pocket Flags, HERO Dolls, Pocket Prayer Quilts, and many other projects. One hundred sixty-one care packages were shipped to military women and 165 were shipped to men. The total of 326 care packages was a substantial increase over the number for 2022 (85 packages). Four thousand, nine hundred sixty-five cards were sent to military members. The overall fiscal impact from Kansas Daughters exceeded \$31,000.00 in 2023.

### DAR / SAR / S.R. Relations

**Debra Hulse** 

The purpose of this committee is to promote a positive working relationship between the organizations to better achieve our goals of historic preservation, education, and patriotism and to assist each other in community-centered events. This year 59 chapters responded to this committee's page on the CMR. Information gathered from the reports is as follows: 14 chapters have appointed Committee chairs, and two chapters sent pictures of activities to the National Chair. The activity and the number of chapters that participated in them with the SAR are as follows: Parades-six, Joint meetings-18, Grave Markings-nine, Flag Activities-19, Wreaths Across America-11, Honor Flights-five, Naturalization Ceremonies-three, Boston Tea Party Activities-two, George Washington Birthday luncheon-eight, Constitution Week Presentations-three, and Community Events-six. There were chapters that gave a total of 36 referrals to SAR Chapters for which they gained 20 members, and the DAR gained three members from SAR referrals. The State Society will give the first Hannah White Arnett Medal to Dewey Fry, an SAR Compatriot, at the State Conference in April 2024. As we go forward, the number of reported activities with the SAR will increase as we build a stronger relationship between our organizations.

## **DAR Scholarship**

**Sherry Koster** 

Nine chapters awarded \$7790 in scholarships to 14 Kansas students. Recipients included high school and college students, including nontraditional students. Students majoring in Nursing, Business, Vocational Technical, History and Mathematics were assisted. Scholarship was promoted to university students through websites, financial aid offices and student welcome back events. Over 50 high schools were contacted. Five chapters attended scholarship nights at their local high schools. Information on State Scholarships, and NSDAR scholarship opportunities were given to hundreds of students. Personal phone calls to school counselors and principals, personal and chapter Facebook posts, and chapter newsletters were used to publicize scholarship opportunities. Local newspapers carried stories, plus the allimportant pictures, about scholarship recipients. The Sagamore Chapter donated \$400 to the newly established Marian Anderson Legacy Fund. Lizzy Place, Blue Valley High School, received the \$20,000 NSDAR Richard & Elizabeth Dean Scholarship, Belle Mayne, sponsored by the Olathe Chapter, received the \$1500 KSDAR Scholarship recipient.

Brenna White, sponsored by the Sagamore Chapter, received the \$930 Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler Scholarship. Keilei Mitchell received the \$1225 Gladys E. Routh Memorial Scholarship. Thank you, DAR Scholarship committee members Renee Gruen and Peggy Barrett and Routh committee members Kelley Crossland and Janice Mitchell.

DAR School Sue Cornelsen

Our Kansas Daughters were inventive and very generous to our Jewels of DAR. Our DAR schools received monetary gifts and items from our Kansas Chapters. Donations to the five DAR schools included many monetary gifts, purchasing items from their wish lists on their websites, seed packets, craft items, hats, gloves, and socks. Friends of DAR School pins and the "Schools are the Jewels" pins were purchased. Christmas ornaments for several schools plus the committee ornament were also purchased. "Socktober" is celebrated by the Tomahawk Chapter, as they collected 288 pairs of socks to send to Kate Duncan Smith School. Courtney Spaulding Chapter conducted their annual "weigh-in" and donated their collection to Kate Duncan Smith School. James Ross Chapter collected over 150 pairs of gloves plus hats to donate to Hindman Settlement School and Crossnore. Craft supplies were also donated. Several chapters pass around a school bus shaped bank during chapter meetings for donations. Many chapters read the Sparkler Newsletter and have watched the DAR School videos on the DAR website. At least 16 chapters include a DAR School minute in their meetings. Our Kansas Daughters have supported our DAR Schools in 2023 and continue to support, this year.

#### **DAR Service for Veterans**

Pamela Kellev

Kansas Daughters shone brightly by supporting our veterans in 2023! DAR Service to Veterans reports were submitted by 90% of Kansas chapters. Seventy-one percent of chapters participated in Wreaths Across America, and our generous members donated 4,875 wreaths, a 40% increase from 2022! KSDAR had a record 26 chapters who participated in Honor Flights, a 15% increase from last year! Since inperson volunteer opportunities resumed, members have sponsored and participated in Bingo games, lunches and dinners for veterans. Members held ceremonies to present Quilts of Valor and "baby showers" for female service members. An important initiative that honored Vietnam War Veterans: five chapters arranged for ceremonies to honor the KS Vietnam Veterans Association State Council and five KS Vietnam

Veterans Association chapters. This chair submitted state winners from the Topeka Chapter for Outstanding Veteran Volunteer, Roland Mayhew, US Marine Corps, and Nancy Appelhanz, DAR Outstanding Service for Veterans. Youths volunteered 400+ hours while adults volunteered 3,611 hours for veteran activities, while traveling more than 23,000 miles. Monetary donations were \$22,800, and non-cash donations of clothing, food, gifts, and games exceeded \$30,000. Three Veteran History Project interviews were completed by Desire Tobey Sears Chapter. This chair is proud to serve the Kline administration.

### The Flag of the United States of America Katherine Hays

KSDAR held over 216 activities to honor the United States Flag. Daughters participated in Flag Retirement Ceremonies and Olathe member, Shelly Vittorino, taught Scouts how to properly retire Flags. Daughters distributed Flags at parades and community events throughout the year and displays reminded the public of the value of our Flag. In addition to the Captain Jesse Leavenworth and Mary Wade Strother Chapters purchasing several Flags from the DAR Store, Good-Land worked with Senator Jerry Moran to provide Flags to each 4thgrade class in Goodland, Abilene donated funds to purchase eight Flags for the cemetery, Wyandot gave a Flag to Scott City Christian School, and Elaine Oakleaf donated a Flag to the Effingham Veterans Park. KSDAR's commitment to patriotism in education continues strong: Council Oak provided Flags to all second-grade students in four schools; Courtney-Spalding coordinated a Flag Code program to the school by a U.S. Navy Submarine Veteran; and Good-Land distributed Flags to each public and home-schooled fourth grader in three rural communities. Chapter programs included variations of Flag History, an audience-participation essay activity by Cimarron River Valley, a Flagfolding demonstration by Esther Lowrey, and a Wyandot Flag Day event to honor female Veterans with Quilts of Valor.

# **Genealogical Records**

# Janice Wichman

This state chair reports that Kansas submitted one volume of unpublished records to National. Mary Miles submitted and indexed Ashland Cemetery Vol 1 & 2. Its number is USsOv653 it was completed on 14 Feb 2023. We have one other volume in the works waiting for collection of 100 pages before it can be submitted to National. Jackie Aaron from the Sagamore Chapter has compiled 63 pages. Another chapter, Sarah Seward, is working on gathering some unpublished Bible

records that can be added to the pages we have and sent to National. When these pages are done, they will be combined with the ones we have and submitted to National. This chair has answered all questions relayed to her; she has also submitted the reports to Division vice chairs.

### Historic Preservation Gerry Winters

Thirty-five of the 59 DAR Kansas chapters sparkled in Historic Preservation in 2023. Seventy programs were given to members and to the public, with William Wilson Chapter presenting seven. Shawnee Mission and Polly Ogden Chapters held special celebrations in honor of the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party. Seven chapters gave Historic Preservation medals to DAR members and to members of the community. The Smoky Hill Chapter created the Lawyer Room at the Ellsworth Museum, a replica of an 1860s lawyer's office. Mission Hills and Polly Ogden Chapters donated to the victims of the Maui wildfires. Desire Tobey Sears hosted a meeting at two historical societies. Seven chapters participated in cleaning gravesite headstones in Kansas. Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter held a public tour at the Greenwood Cemetery, highlighting Leavenworth's earliest citizens. Mary Hobson, Olathe Chapter, worked with the Joseph Plumb Martin C.A.R. chapter to clean ten Civil War gravestones for their Day of Service. Sagamore Chapter member, Lisa King, identified a Civil War Veteran buried without a headstone and worked to have one installed. The best part of the story was that the veteran turned out to be one of her ancestors.

# Insignia Colleen Anderson

You have five Insignia Volunteers in Kansas who can answer your questions or find the answers for you, Bunnie Bowen, Laura Kaiser, Tonya Adams, Amanda Tindell and Colleen Anderson. The mail delivery of the blue box was once a reason for joy. Now they come in a beautiful fuchsia, red and turquoise, along with the blue, and they are made in the USA with profits returned to the National Society for more worthy purposes. Two PowerPoint presentations about the history, pin categories and wearing of pins were presented at chapters, one by Zoom because of icy weather. Every daughter who wears the insignia proudly is a part of this committee. The pins need to be worn correctly and at proper times. As a part of this committee, be sure to follow the guidelines and have the pins in the correct order. Your National Society has publications giving the correct placement and requirements for each pin. These are found under the Insignia Committee national website and

the placement list changes with each new approved pin. Read the discussions in the Insignia Committee digest by asking to join the group from the National website.

#### **Junior American Citizens**

**Donna Roberts** 

This Chair was thrilled with the exciting JAC theme for 2023: "Sparkling in the Stars with the 50th Anniversary of the NASA Space Shuttle Program." Students displayed their talents with posters, stamps, banners, poems, short stories and community service entries. Eleven chapters reported activities; Abilene, Arthur Barrett, Courtney-Spalding, Desirie Tobey Sears, Esther Lowrey, Flores del Sol, Four Winds, General Edward Hand, Isabella Weldon, Marais des Cygnes and Sagamore. At the chapter level, Kansas had 674 students in JAC activities and clubs, 12 articles published, 417 entries in art, 13 creative expression and 180 community service. Two hundred forty-eight Kansas first place students; 63 Art, five Creative Writings and 180 Community Service. Advancing to South Central Division; 29 Art, five Creative Writing and 22 Community Service. Advancing as National Winners: Posters- four First Place, one Third Place and one Fifth Place. Stamps - one First Place, Banners- 24 First Place, five Second Place, Poems- one First Place. Short Stories one Second Place, six First Place Individual Community Service and Group Community Service- 16 First Place. Deepest gratitude to chapter chairs and teachers for countless hours dedicated to JAC and educating our future leaders as we create "Ties of Friendship."

## **Junior Membership**

**Ashley Mayer** 

Kansas Daughters have been busy this past year recruiting, retaining, and nurturing Junior members. Chapters have hosted tables at the local universities' annual Back-to-School Picnics passing out information on DAR membership, as well as DAR Scholarships information. They collected contact information from students interested in the DAR who were then invited to attend chapter meetings. They also encouraged the new members to invite their family members to consider joining. Chapters plan social gatherings that include Junior members such as luncheons, evening get-togethers, Zoom Q&As, Happy Hour outings. They changed up their activities to include working women and young mothers, who can't attend weekday meetings. They set up mentor programs to include younger members by pairing them with an established member to make them feel more included. Chapters in the

state have supported Junior membership by donating to the Page Patron Fund, the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund, participating in the Junior membership 5k Race, and the Classroom Grant opportunities. We hope to continue to support our juniors by soon offering a summer retreat to learn and grow as the future of our DAR. This chairman would like to thank all chapters for their support of Juniors in their chapters.

Junior Sales Sara Valoff

Junior Sales was successful in adding to the Helen Pouch Fund from the items sold during the State Conference and Fall Forum in 2023. Our top selling item is the ever so popular Junior Membership Fireworks pin. We will be selling items such as Junior White Purses, pillowcases, and umbrellas throughout the 2024 State Conference. Please check us out and help support your Kansas Juniors and our mission! Sent to national for the Helen Pouch Fund from Kansas after the 2023 State Conference: \$1,996.09. Collected at the 2023 Fall Forum: \$1,617.80. Expenses paid: \$778.72. Total Profit from 2023 Fall Forum: \$678.72. Balance in the bank before 2024 State Conference: \$100.

# Junior Shoppe Kathryn Largent

The Junior Shoppe was in full swing at the 2023 State Conference. This Vice Chair was elated by all the interest, help, and donations. Our generous chapters donated several fabulous items, such as books, hand-crafted items, and even clothing. This vice chair truly appreciated the support from those who were able to help staff the tables and donate items. The Junior Shoppe received cash donations totaling over 1,000 dollars. These funds are utilized by the Kansas Juniors for room and board, meals, and group activities within our state. This vice Chair also assisted the Junior Sales at the 2023 Fall Forum and would like to thank all Daughters for their support of the Junior Shoppe.

# Outstanding Junior Contest Karen Schneck

This Outstanding Junior Contest Chair is pleased to announce there were several worthy applicants to the State Contest. They were thoroughly reviewed, and a winner and runner-up were decided. Congratulations to Jillian Goss Pence for being selected as the 2024 OJ Contest Winner and Ashley Mayer as the 2024 OJ Contest Runner-Up. Best wishes to Jillian, as her application is reviewed for the National Contest. Recognizing our junior members is an important part of encouraging and supporting the next generation of DAR leaders. Please nominate a junior making an impact in your chapter and community for

the Chapter Outstanding Junior. This committee chair looks forward to guiding them through the State Contest application process next year.

### Lineage Research

## **Phyllis Benedict**

This State Lineage Research Chair assisted several chapters with AIR letters and other research. Prospective Member, Kelly Cannova of Mission Hills Chapter, received an AIR letter on Patriot Ezekiel Sampson A099535. Research was done on another Patriot, William Taylor A113065. The application was sent to the National Lineage Research Team. They were able to prove another Patriot, James Wickersham. Three Trails West Chapter Registrar requested assistance after numerous attempts to find documentation for Prospective Member Faith Taylor. This State Chair researched and found another Patriot, Barnabas Arthur A003354. The Registrar of Mission Hills Chapter requested assistance in finding a new Patriot for prospective member, Christin Hedrich. Research was done and a new application and documents were sent to the Registrar for signatures. Betty Washington Chapter Registrar requested assistance to find a patriot for prospective member. Lonnie Steele since she and the previous Registrar had no luck in doing so. This State Chair researched four different lines to no avail. The application with the best possibility has been sent to the National Lineage Research Team. It has been a pleasure to serve this administration.

## **Literacy Promotion**

# Haley Popelka

Kansas Daughters have excelled in promoting literacy during 2023. Not only have they spent over 2700 hours tutoring, assisting, and promoting literacy in children, but they have donated nearly \$5,000 and over 13,000 books to promote literacy also. Dr. Sarah Broman Miller from the Courtney-Spalding Chapter was selected as the individual winner for the Outstanding Service in Literacy Promotion contest for her work through the Liberate Books Project and the Bonding Through Literacy Project. Kansas Daughters collected over 2500 books for these projects at the fall meeting in September. Mission Hills Chapter was selected as the chapter level winner for their Books Build Bridges project. Many Kansas Daughters hold monthly book clubs, work with local libraries, participate as guest readers in classrooms, and participate in school literacy programs. It is obvious that Kansas Daughters do their part in enabling success in children and adults and that's something to be very proud of.

## **Master Reports**

Dee Marshall

This was the second year for working with ribbons instead of levels. The Chapters have adapted well to this change. This chair learned a valuable lesson on how Chapters were counting points for training courses. Points are only awarded for the current year's training. Several chapters ran the training report and did not separate out the year 2023. Subsequently, they got points for all training their members had ever completed! This Chair downloaded the training report for all chapters and reported the correct number of courses for each Chapter. Since NSDAR is still making the corrections, the unofficial status is, 36 chapters attained Blue Ribbon Status, 14 earned a Red Ribbon, six earned a White Ribbon and three chapters did not receive a rating. I would encourage Regents to use the 2023 planning guide when planning their new year. Plan your meetings and activities around this guide to maximize points for 2024 and report only courses completed in the current year!

Membership Laura Kaiser

Kansas continues to sparkle in its membership efforts, with chapters embracing the "You are a Sparkler" initiative started in September 2022 to help chapters recognize their members. Twenty-three chapters achieved the National DAR Membership Initiative: Spread the Sparkle: Four or More by 2024. A "Fun Meeting Ideas from Kansas Daughters" booklet was compiled from chapters' input. Membership Zoom meetings have been a new initiative this year. Very special guests included: America 250! National Chair, Kathryn Walker West and National Membership Chair, Laura Druker. This Chair also posts the NSDAR Membership Monday graphics on our KSDAR Facebook page each week. This Chair and Vice Chair are members of the KSDAR Torch Talk Team, providing targeted chapter help and support. Prospective Members forwarded from National exceeded the previous year for the second year in a row, resulting in 114 new members! Kansas prospective members averaged 22 days on the State PMD before being assigned to a chapter with average time from selection of chapter to verification approximately four months! Kansas had 225 new members by application (an increase of 33 over last year) including 43 new junior members. This Chair and Vice Chair are committed to increasing membership and membership retention.

National Defense Dixie Drake

The National Defense Committee Sparkled in 2023! Twenty chapters gave programs dedicated to National Defense. Forty-one chapters devoted a three-minute National Defense report at every regular meeting. Fifty chapters used the National Defender for their threeminute report. Nineteen chapters presented National Defense Medals. Five Gold ROTC Medals, twenty-six Bronze JROTC Medals, one DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal and ten DAR Youth Citizenship Medals were presented. Four hundred ninety dollars were contributed to ROTC and award programs. In Honor of the Vietnam War 50th Anniversary, Vietnam Veterans were awarded Vietnam Veteran Pins and "Welcomed Home". Our Daughters participated in Quilts of Valor by quilting quilts and presenting them to Veterans. Our Daughters participated in Honor Flights by sending off Veterans and welcoming them back home. Our Daughters attended ROTC and JROTC awards ceremonies, gave talks at Memorial Day Ceremonies, donated candy to Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell Air Force Base, and awarded graduating seniors joining the Military with their first Challenge Coin. Our Daughters wore RED on Fridays to "Remember Everyone Deployed". Our Daughters attended Veteran's Day programs and celebrated the 250th anniversary of the Boston Tea Party with programs and donated tea to the Boston Tea Party re-enactment. Our Kansas Daughters are awesome!

## **Patriot Records Project**

Monna Metzger

Twenty-five women from 17 Kansas chapters worked on the Patriot Records Project in 2023. This committee works to index all the names from records pertaining to the Revolutionary War. The hope is that these records will help make identifying Revolutionary War Patriots easier. These Kansas Daughters indexed 41,731 names from over eight thousand documents in the past year. Linda Floyd of the Randolph Loving Chapter and Sherry Bowlin of the John & Hattie Possum Chapter each indexed over 7,000 names. This chairman hopes to get more members involved in this project over the next year to increase the number of names indexed.

## **President General's Project**

Karen McCune

The President General's Project is a voluntary \$2.50 per member per year donation. These funds are used to celebrate our nation's rich history and diversity of experience upon the threshold of America's 250th anniversary with Celebration Grants, restore and preserve Memorial

Continental Hall, and fund approximately 25 meaningful projects. Daughters have shown their support by purchasing President General's Project Stars & Stripes merchandise at state meetings. Twenty-six chapters achieved 100% participation in the President General's Project this year. Receiving certificates of achievement at this state conference are Arthur Barrett, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Council Oak, Emporia, Eunice Sterling, Fort Larned, Isabella Weldin, James Ross, John Athey, John Haupt, Martha Loving Ferrell, Martha Vail, Mission Hills, Molly Foster Berry, Nathan Edson, Newton, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Randolph Loving, Sagamore, Shawnee Mission, Susannah French Putney, Three Trails West. Tomahawk, Wichita, and Wyandot. Thank you, Daughters, for your support of the President General's Project! It has been an honor serving this administration.

## **Public Relations & Media**

## **Michelle Stephens**

Kansas chapters were extremely active in utilizing media to promote events, recruit new members, and perform public relations within the state. Kansas has a total of 3,049 members, and even the smallest, most rural chapters had success with print media. Thirty-four Kansas chapters reported that they used Public Relations and the Media during 2022. Additionally, 35 chapters have a newsletter, 35 chapters communicate with members with social media and/or a private website, 36 chapters received print coverage, 13 chapters received broadcast coverage (60% increase from 2021), and 34 chapters initiated publicity for a commemorative or community event. Kansas chapters received exciting coverage and publicity on the following events and activities: installing new historical markers in Abilene, reminders to wear RED on Friday to support our military, Mission Monday at The Barn in Burrton, KS, flag retirement ceremonies, and Shawnee Mission Chapter helped to plan and brought several groups together to design and install a Never Forget Garden. This chair provided certificates to six Kansas chapters for outstanding media and newsletters: Abilene, Desire Tobey Sears, Mary Alice Foley, Newton, Prairie Flint Hills, and Shawnee Mission. These chapters provided excellent examples of their work publicizing the DAR and its many projects.

## Service to America

Susan Davis

This Chair is proud to report that in 2023 Kansas Daughters recorded 142,230.25 hours. Kansas was one of sixteen states to meet their service goal by the end of year and received a Service to America pin from

National. Three chapters had service hours over 7,000: Three Trails West, Topeka, and Shawnee Mission. Two chapters with the highest average of 142 hours per member: Cofachique and John Haupt. One Member at Large logged 321.75 hours. A total of 10,661 books were donated while reading to 4,170 people. Each of 59 chapters submitted a report, 37 have a Service to America chair, 47 participated in DAR Annual Day of Service, 19 planned Service in Seconds projects and ten posted to Service to America Facebook/DOC. An amazing variety of projects were reported. Notably, Prairie Flint Hills Chapter cleaned the Vice President Charles Curtis' Family Cemetery and Topeka Cemetery to honor the only Native American Vice President in U.S. history. The SW District joined together for a Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB attended by over 1,700 kids. A YouTube video was developed by this chair with instructions on how to enter hours and a table was set up at Fall Forum.

## **Specialty Research**

## **Elizabeth Winterbone**

This State Chair is pleased to report that Kansas Chapters are enthusiastic about the new NSDAR Specialty Research Committee. Kansas is fortunate and proud to have member, Trish Spencer of the Shawnee Mission Chapter, serving on the National Committee, where she has been busy assisting with Spanish and French translations for proof of service for prospective members. The committee continues to support finding new avenues for membership from diverse groups that are traditionally underrepresented. Kansas Daughters are supportive of the committee goals of educating the public and our members regarding the contributions of underrepresented Patriots of the American Revolution and in locating documentation in repositories within the United States, plus Europe, Canada, Mexico, Cuba and the Caribbean.

## **Volunteer Genealogists**

## **Bunnie Bowen**

Forty-six Kansas chapters have at least one NSDAR trained Volunteer Genealogist, for a total of 140 ladies who are helping their own and other chapters gain new members and complete supplemental applications. Twenty-four members took one or more paid Genealogy Education Program 1-4 classes, 68 GEP classes in total. In its fourth year, an additional eight chapter registrars completed the free registrars' course, this course is encouraged for all chapter registrars. Seventeen chapters presented genealogy workshops, attended by 181 people. Genealogy workshops were held for Arthur Barrett, Kanza and Molly

Foster Berry Chapters with the help of Volunteer Genealogist teams that came from across the state. Five members accepted formal assignments to chapters other than their own. Certificates for "Outstanding Achievement" were awarded to six chapters and 23 members. Eleven women from Kansas served as Balcony Volunteers at Continental Congress. The Kansas Outstanding Volunteer Genealogist Award for 2023 will be announced at the April 2024 State Conference. Kansas Daughters are to be commended for volunteering their time, knowledge and resources to increase NSDAR membership and ensuring that new member and supplemental applications are prepared to standard.

**Volunteer Information Specialists** Mary Avers/Jillian Pence All 59 chapters across Kansas submitted a VIS report. Kansas chapters reported that they utilize Facebook to share the DAR message with the public. Some chapters send stories and pictures to local news for publication. Electronic platforms are leveraged to engage members and prospective members in person and remotely. Technology is leveraged by twenty-four chapters to conduct hybrid meetings for out-of-town members and others unable to attend in person. New websites and social media accounts were created to encourage member and community engagement. Twenty-four prospective members across the state reached out after viewing the chapter's website. Seventeen prospective members reached out after viewing a chapter's social media posts. Thirteen of those prospective members became members of a KSDAR chapter. Fifty-two chapters disseminate newsletters and other announcements electronically. Electronic surveys are also leveraged across Kansas to check in with members and promote chapter engagement. Closed Facebook pages and electronic newsletters are leveraged to celebrate member birthdays, DAR Anniversaries, member accomplishments, and more. The Kansas Sparkle Award is leveraged and shared on social media by many chapters to recognize and celebrate members.

Women's Issues Delores Clarke

It was my goal to provide tidbits and items of interest to the State regarding Women's Issues by sharing on Facebook. My most ambitious reporting was in April where each day information regarding a woman of note from Kansas was shared. The last ten days the first ten women to be State Regents was shared along with their histories. The Women's Issues Essay contest had six entries this year. Four judges from all walks of life determined the winners.

They all agreed it was a tough decision! Winners are: Mental Health, Amy Kramer, John Haupt Chapter; Physical Health, Kay A. Guinn, Mary Wade Strother Chapter and Family, Amy Brown, Mission Hills Chapter. Honorable mention goes to: Martha Wellington, Polly Ogden Chapter; Marian Nolan, William Wilson Chapter and Marguerite Durbin, Olathe Chapter. Congratulations to all!

## **STATE COMMITTEES**

Audit Cindy Henry

The members of the Audit Committee have examined the records of the State Treasurer of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution namely account registers for checking, savings and investment accounts, bank statements and supporting documentation. We find the records to be in good order and their contents to appear reasonable. We have also reviewed the financial statements for Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution, which summarize the records referred to above, for the year ended December 31, 2023. These statements appear to fairly represent the financial position and the revenue and expenses for the organization.

Bylaws Janelle DeFrees

The KSDAR State Bylaws Committee presented 23 amendments to the KSDAR bylaws and 15 amendments to the KSDAR standing rules during the business meeting of the 125th KSDAR State Conference. Twenty-one bylaws' amendments and 14 standing rule amendments were adopted. Two bylaws and one standing rule, which had been submitted by the KSDAR Executive Committee for proposed amendment, were sent back to committee by the KSDAR delegate assembly. The State Bylaws Committee formulated recommendations for reconsideration for: Article VI, Nominations and Elections, Section 2. Nominating Committee, Item (a), Members; Article XII, Districts, Section 4. Officers; and Standing Rule Number 6. The recommendations were submitted to the KSDAR Executive Committee for approval for presentation to the delegate assembly of the KSDAR 126th State Conference.

Credentials Barb Knopke

Credentials forms were received from 51 chapters for the 2024 KSDAR State Conference held in Wichita, KS. Of the 197 possible delegates and 62 alternates elected, the conference had 118 delegates entitled to vote,

25 alternates, 46 non-voting members and 16 guests for a total of 262 registered with the Credentials table. Special guests: Patrice Donnelly, Alabama State Regent; Cheryl Gott, Louisiana State Regent; Beth Hicks, District of Columbia State Regent; Edith Brunia, Iowa State Regent; Linda Conrad, Kentucky State Regent; Leslie Miller, National Chair, Commemorative Events; and Kathryn A. Walker West, National Chair, America 250! As per the KSDAR Bylaws, the voting delegates and alternates for any special meeting that may be called prior to the following State Conference. Therefore, this chair submitted a report of the Credentials Forms received as of February 25, 2024, to serve as a record of the voting delegates and alternates should a special meeting be called. Many thanks to my committee members, State Registrar, Linda Jensen, and State Treasurer, Tena Brucken for their knowledge and help. It has been a pleasure to serve as the Credentials Chair for "A Legacy of Liberty" Rebecca Kline, State Regent Administration.

Finance Kristi Kocher

The Finance Committee met twice via Zoom to review the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Financial Position as well as refine the budget for 2024. Recommendations were made to the Executive Board accordingly. In addition to the chair, committee members include Tena Brucken, State Treasurer; Denise Bullock, State Vice-Regent; Earlene Sells and Becky Spalding, State Recording Secretary as well as State Regent Rebecca Kline, ex officio.

## Historical Markers and Archives Sherrie Smith

KSDAR Historical Markers and Archives Committee communicated via phone and e-mail during 2023. The committee's District Representatives continued to encourage their chapters to reassess their markers and update or submit marker pages for placement in the KSDAR Historical Markers Directory. The number of markers featured in the directory increased in 2023 from 156 to 191. Chapters were also encouraged to assist in the reassessment of markers within their area that were placed by now disbanded chapters. These efforts resulted in several previously unlisted markers being added to the Directory. District Representative input was solicitated on several aspects of the Black Dog Trail Campsite sign replacement project. By unanimous consensus the committee forwarded to the Executive Committee their acceptance of the October 2023 recommendations of Jensen Conservation, Inc., Omaha, NE, that performance of assessment and conservation work on the Madonna of the Trail, Council Grove, Kansas, be amended from the present every five-year schedule to every three-years. Additionally, the committee forwarded to the Executive Committee a recommendation pursuing the suggestion of Jensen Conservation, Inc, that a barrier be installed between the base of the Madonna and the soil of the existing surrounding flower bed.

## **KSDAR Archives Inventory – 2023**

- Annual Reports and Proceedings: 1929–2023
- Centennial items: including Shawnee Mission Commemorative Plates
- Centennial Rosters 1997: two notebooks
- Disbanded Chapter Histories and Associated Papers: three boxes
- Framed Helping Hand Award Fort Riley Community 2009
- Framed Shawnee Indian Mission map, Centennial Map 1938
- Guernsey Box: Sarah Elizabeth Guernsey PG NSDAR—Letters of Endorsement for PG; articles related to Mrs. Guernsey's PG Campaign; photo of Mrs. Guernsey's home in Independence, KS; Various documents about Mrs. Guernsey; Musicale Program from Atchison, KS; Information card about Mrs. Guernsey on 100th Anniversary of President General NSDAR 1917–1920; Presentation given to NSDAR; Picture of Mrs. Guernsey taken in Washington, DC circa 1917–1920; The DAR Cook Book given to Mrs. Guernsey; Gavel made from wood of John Brown's cabin, presented to Mrs. Guernsey in 1915; Letters on French orphan adoptions by the DAR; Esther Lowrey Chapter has Mrs. Guernsey's gavel, a medal from the French government for Tilliloy, France Project, a small flag she carried to France, and Mrs. Guernsey's DAR Application Papers.
- History books of chapters and chapter names of origin
- KSDAR chapter organizational papers: Abilene, Arthur Barrett, Atchison, Betty Washington, Byrd Prewitt, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Cimarron River Valley, Cofachique, Courtney-Spalding, Council Oak, Desire Tobey Sears, Dodge City, Ephraim Basehor, Emporia, Esther Lowrey, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Fort Larned, Four Winds, Isabella Weldin, General Edward Hand, Good-Land, James Ross, Jane Dean Coffey, John Athey, John Haupt, Jonathan Gilbert, John & Hattie Possum, Kanza, Little Arkansas, Major Elijah Hyde, Marais des

- Cygnes, Martha Loving Ferrell, Martha Vail, Mary Wade Strother, Mission Hills, Molly Foster Berry, Nathan Edson, Newton, Oceanus Hopkins, Olathe, Polly Ogden, Peleg Gorton, Prairie Flint Hills, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Randolph Loving, Sagamore, Samuel Linscott, Sarah Steward, Shawnee Mission, Smoky Hill, Susannah French Putney, Tomahawk, Topeka, Three Trails West, Uvedale, Wichita, William Wilson, and Wyandot.
- KSDAR cut plates, relics, bronze plates, book plate cuts: Miss Seelye's HSR; Miss Grace Meeker; Shawnee Indian Mission plates; unreadable plate; Santa Fe Trail map; KSDAR Chapel window; brass marker plaques presented by Kansas 1923, unknown history (2); DAR Bookmark cuts, one wood, one brass; Shawnee Indian Mission building; State Conference Wichita 1937, "Cibolo" chair plaques from Kansas Box: presented by the Wellington Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Wellington, KS; Presented by three chapters of Kansas, Concordia, Dodge City, Oceanus Hopkins, Pittsburg; Mrs. William E. Stanley First Vice President General from Kansas given by Sarah E. Guernsey, Honorary President General; Presented by the Kansas Daughters in honor of Mrs. George Thacher Guernsey President General from Kansas 1917–1920.
- KSDAR Directories: 1907, 1910, 1911–1912, 1915, 1917, 1920, 1925, 1930, 1938, 1944 (Supplement to the 1938), 1950, 1955, 1961, 1970, 1980, 1994, 1997, 2000, 2010.
- KSDAR early history, state regents' early reports and early letters; Santa Fe Trail early letters and records
- KSDAR Early state minutes and early state reports
- KSDAR Historic Markers 2000: two large notebooks
- KSDAR Library plaques removed from the Dodge City Library prior to the move to the Advanced Learning Library (ALL) in Wichita: Santa Fe Trail Association plaque in observance of the 175th Anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail to KSDAR 1996; 1993–1994 list of donations of shelving, supplies and volunteers who assisted in moving the library to the mall from the Public Library; Buffalo plaque KSDAR Centennial 1995–1998; and KSDAR donors listed—Small brass plaques of donors: In Memory of Captain Ralph O. Bray, Jr., Vietnam July 12, 1969 from Pat Martin Bray Mummert DAR #670099; In Honor of Ruth Willis

Stanley #782179; Presented by Four Winds Chapter in Honor of Their Member State Regent Alice Walker; Presented to the KSDAR Library by Mr. & Mrs. Howard W. Haines Wyandot Chapter DAR; Mrs. Burt Myers Dodge City Chapter DAR; Mrs. R. B. Cook & Mrs. G. W. Long Sr., Martha Vail Chapter DAR; Mrs. LeRoy Kelly, Mrs. Orrin Russell & a Friend, Kanza Chapter DAR; Miss Katherine Harper, Fort Supply Trail Chapter DAR; The Ninnescah, Emporia, and Martha Vail chapters DAR; Presented to the KSDAR Library by Mrs. Jesse G. or C. Harper, Fort Supply Trail Chapter DAR; Presented to the DAR Library by Mrs. Robert B. Cook; Help us Learn...Give us Hope! Golden Pencil award by Gary L. LaGrange.

- KSDAR Minutes 1927–1940 Including Southeast District Minutes
- KSDAR Newsletters: 189 copies between 1935–2019
- KSDAR State Marker Histories and KSDAR State Markers and Plaques; Black Dog Trail materials
- KSDAR State Programs, State Conferences, and State Meetings
- KSDAR State Regents' pictures: two boxes containing scrapbooks
- KSDAR State histories including unspecified state histories
- Madonna of the Trail: Dedications and celebrations
- Mrs. Cordry, First State Historian: Memorial monuments and tablets in Kansas; Various small badges; Mrs. Meeker's receipt book; various sleeves of postcards addressed to Mrs. Cordry and blank KSDAR postcards; Records of State Historian Volume 1 by Mrs. Cordry October 1894–1921; Records of State Historian Volume 2 by Mrs. Cordry; Original manuscript of *The Story of the Making of the Old Santa Fe Trail* by Mrs. R. A. Cordry first State Historian DAR of Kansas; Mrs. Cordry's DAR application (copy), and original Supplemental applications; The History of the Pledge to the American Flag; Report of Investigation of Authorship of Flag Salute by State Historian Mrs. T. A. Cordry 1919; and various letters regarding the Pledge by Frank Bellamy.
- Real Daughter histories and dedications including old files: Members from Revolutionary War Soldiers
- Santa Fe Trail: History and celebrations
- Scrapbooks: Six

- Shawnee Indian Mission: includes inventory of DAR Room at the Mission that was gifted to the Kansas Historical Society.
- Large, framed portrait of Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Guernsey President General NSDAR 1917–1920
- In Remembrance books (two) from the Kansas Chapel at NSDAR Headquarters in Washington DC from 1962–2005.
- KSDAR Library history; Mrs. Wilson's marker files; Valley Forge Memorial materials; Looking Back: Trails to the Second Century book.

## **Archives Accessions 2023**

- KSDAR Chapters Commemorations of 200th Anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail 2021-2022 (three ring binder).
- 125th State Conference anniversary banner-6'x30" Kline Administration
- Framed photograph of portrait of Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Guernsey, 17 x 21"
- History of Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution 1894-1938.
- West Administration Celebrate Mrs. Guernsey banner.
- Marking the Santa Fe Trail. Donated by Mary Frisch.
- Henry Dawson Chapter Charter and Henry Dawson Chapter member acceptance certificate.
- Program, Invitation of June 3, 2023, DAR Grave Marker Dedication Ceremony for Mamie Doud Eisenhower.
- Documents/items from disbanded chapters: Bryd Prewitt, Peleg Gordon, Major Elijah Hyde.
- Booklet: <u>Snippets from One Hundred Twenty-five KSDAR State</u> Conferences 1899-2023.

## **KSDAR State Markers 2023**

Marker	<b>Nearest Town</b>	County	<b>District</b>
Pawnee Rock	Pawnee Rock	Barton	NW
Black Dog Trail	Chautauqua	Chautauqua	SE
Black Dog Trail	Elgin	Chautauqua	SE
Black Dog Trail	Winfield	Cowley	SE
Black Dog Trail	Dexter	Cowley	SE
Black Dog Trail	Oxford	Sumner	SE
Black Dog Trail	Caney	Montgomery	y SE

## Lewis and Clark

	Atchison	Atchison	NE
expedition camp 1804	White Cloud	Doniphan	NE
encamped on the bluffs	Fort Leavenworth	Leavenworth	NE
El Cuartelejo Ruins	Scott City	Scott	NW
Site, including marker placed by KSDAR, are property of Kansas			

Wildlife & Parks/State of Kansas.

Madonna of the Trail Council Grove Morris

Santa Fe Trail Markers	<b>S</b>		
Pawnee Indian Village	Republic	Republic	NW
(NSDAR placed)			
Madonna of the Trail	Council Grove	Morris	SE

NE to SW across Kansas, 89 markers, plus 6 special markers.

## DAR America 250!

Our Patriots Marker	El Dorado	Butler	SE
<b>Eisenhower Pylons</b>			
16 foot with plaque	Abilene	Dickinson	NW
16 foot with plaque	Abilene	Dickinson	NW
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Pylons, placed by KSDAR, are property of the National Archives & Records Administration

## Investment Kathryn West

The Investment Committee (Article XI, Committees, Section 6 Investment Committee) was authorized by the 125th Annual State Conference. "The KSDAR Investment Committee shall be a standing, administrative committee, comprised of three members appointed by the State Regent, at least one of whom shall be a member of the Finance Committee and whose oversight shall be the Executive Committee. (a) The KSDAR Investment Committee shall define investment objectives for approval by the Executive Committee and execute strategies toward achieving those objectives. (b) No member shall serve more than two consecutive terms." Mrs. Kline appointed the following to the newly established committee: Kathryn West, Honorary State Regent as Chair; Laura Bond, past State Treasurer; and Earlene Sells, CPA. The committee met during the Fall Forum in Havs and via Zoom. Requests for additional data were presented to the Executive Committee on 27 September 2023 along with a recommendation for investment in laddered CDs while the full analysis was completed.

## **Kansas Chapel**

**Laurie Barnes** 

"How lovely is your dwelling place. O Lord Almighty!" Psalm 84:1 One of the greatest joys of being a Kansas Society member is the opportunity to showcase our beautiful Kansas Chapel at the National Headquarters in Washington D.C. From the sunflower stained glass panels to the altar, narthex tables and memorial book table, each piece of the Chapel represents Kansas in a special way and was chosen with care. An informational brochure was created that helps visitors understand the history and symbolism of the component parts that unite to make such a beautiful whole. The overall look of the Chapel will be enhanced this year at the 133rd Continental Congress with the recent purchase of new pew cushions. The new cushions were carefully chosen to complement the colors of the sunflower panels and provide more comfort for those pausing to rest and reflect in the Chapel. During Advent, the NSDAR Hospitality Team sets out our fifteen piece Creche that was woven from Kansas wheat and the lovely evergreen pew swags on each of the five pews. Because of these decorations, visitors feel warmed and welcomed at the December Open House and throughout the holiday season.

## **Kansas DAR Library**

**Connie Becker** 

The Kansas Daughters supported the NSDAR Library and the Wichita Advanced Learning Library (W.A.L.L) with 29 books and over one hundred thirty-eight books respectively. Eight chapters contributed to National and six chapters to W.A.L.L. Shawnee Mission led the way with 15 books to NSDAR and Newton gave five. Newton gave the most books to W.A.L.L. Five chapters had library programs. Two chapters contributed money to Friends of the Library and Friends of Seimes totaling \$152.56. Eight chapters have active book clubs. Chapters and members donated close to two thousand books to local, classroom, and school libraries in honor of or memory of members. Four chapters celebrated "High Five a Librarian Day." Two chapters have small libraries for the use of members. Chapter newsletters highlight book reviews of the NSDAR reading list and inspire the forming of chapter book clubs. KSDAR participated in gathering books for the prison ministry created by Courtney Spalding member, Dr. Sarah Miller. Work is continuing for the list of published Kansas Daughters. Eighteen individuals and 49 chapters received certificates for outstanding library service.

## KSDAR LIBRARY ACCESSIONS January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

## **NSDAR**

- *History of Port William and Liberty Township, Ohio.* From Leslie Eriksen Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Forest Grove Cemetery Lexington, Missouri: History, Faces, and Stories. From Leslie Eriksen Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Eastern Cherokee By Blood, 1906-1910, Volume 13 Exceptions Filed to His Report of May 28, 1909, and Submitted January 5, 1910. From Leslie Eriksen Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Records of the City of Baltimore (City Commissioners) 1797-1813. From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Advertising in a Small Town: A Primary Study of Whitewater, KS Volume Two, 1921-1979. From Patricia Unruh, Chapter Treasurer, Newton Chapter.
- Advertising in a Small Town: A Primary Study of Whitewater, KS Volume One, 1885-1920. From Patricia Unruh, Chapter Treasurer, Newton Chapter.
- A Picture of a Countryside School: District 174. From Patricia Unruh, Chapter Treasurer, Newton Chapter.
- A Picture of a Small Town: A Perspective of 125 Years of Whitewater, KS. From Patricia Unruh, Chapter Treasurer, Newton Chapter in honor of Pamela Foley.
- The History of Brown County, Ohio Containing a History of the County, Its Townships, Towns, Churches, Schools, etc. From Judith Lynn, Abilene Chapter.
- The People of Central Scotland at Home and Abroad, 1800-1850. From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Dark Voyage: An American Privateer's War on Britain's African Slave Trade. From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Map Guide to Luxembourg Parish Registers. periodical one year subscription). From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, through the Shawnee Mission Chapter. From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.

- American Indian Quarterly, V. 34-36 (periodical one year subscription). From Lislie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Grand Army of Riley: Civil War Veterans of Riley County, Kansas: Volume 3, G-K. From the author, Terry Healy, Polly Ogden Chapter.
- Tehama County Memories, California 2011 (periodical one year subscription). From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Tehama County Memories, California 2012 (periodical one year subscription). From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Tehama County Memories, California 2013 (periodical one year subscription). From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Tehama County Memories, California 2014 (periodical one year subscription). From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Tehama County Memories, California 2015 (periodical one year subscription). From Leslie Harris, Chapter Regent, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Portrait and Biographical Record of Orange County, New York, Volume 2. From Anna Cecil, Chapter Librarian, Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter.
- 1932 Hopkins County Echo Genealogical Abstracts Texas. From Anna Cecil, Chapter Librarian, Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter.
- Genealogical Abstracts from 1919 Sulphur Springs Gazette and 1938 Daily News-Telegram Texas. From Anna Cecil, Chapter Librarian, Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter.
- *Utah Historical Quarterly, volume 63.* (periodical one year subscription) From the Four Winds Chapter.
- *Utah Historical Quarterly, volume 64.* (periodical one year subscription) From the Four Winds Chapter.
- Sedgwick, Kansas Through the Years. From Patricia Unruh, State Organizing Secretary, Newton Chapter.

- County Marriage Registers of Ontario, Canada: 1858-1869, volume 32 Waterloo County Index. From Susan Cowen, Chapter Regent, Tomahawk Chapter.
- Black Citizen-Soldiers of Kansas 1864-1901. From Leslie Harris, Shawnee Mission Chapter. (Oct) (2023)
- Western North Carolina Bastardy Bonds Haywood County, North Carolina, 1820-1899. From Leslie Harris, Shawnee Mission Chapter.
- Crime and Consequences in Guilford County, NC. From Lou Preston, Mission Hills Chapter.

## KSDAR Wichita Advanced Learning Library January 1 – December 31, 2023

- Peabody, The First Years. From Patricia Kennedy Unruh, Newton Chapter.
- History of the Tecumeseh United Methodist Church, 1854-2004. From Patricia Kennedy Unruh, Newton Chapter.
- *Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska Civil War Veterans*, by Dennis Northcott. From Patricia Kennedy Unruh, Newton Chapter.
- He loves a good deal of rum...: Military desertions during the American Revolution, 1775-1783, by Joseph Lee Boyle. From the Four Winds Chapter in memory of Honorary State Regent Kathryn Kahoe Compton.
- *Me Or You*, by Milton E. Schlesener. From Kristin Hashbarger, Olathe Chapter.
- Little Compton Families. Little Compton, Rhode Island, Volume 1, by Benjamin Franklin Wilbour. In memory of Honorary State Regent Kathryn Kahoe Compton from the State Officer's Club.
- Little Compton Families. Little Compton, Rhode Island, Volume 2, by Benjamin Franklin Wilbour. In memory of Honorary State Regent Kathryn Kahoe Compton from the State Officer's Club.
- A Spell Created: A Sesquicentennial History of Wichita and Sedgwick County. From the Wichita Chapter.
- Over 130 volumes to the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution and Wichita Advanced Learning Library Genealogy Collection by Ellen Marie Parenteau Burd of the Mission Hills Chapter in memory of her mother, Lois Scott Parenteau.

**KSDAR Commission for Semiguincentennial** Patti Unruh In 2022, the Kansas Legislature passed a bill creating the Kansas Commission for the United States Semiguincentennial (K.S.A. 74-50, 292). The Kansas Commission works within the Department of Commerce to plan, develop, encourage, and coordinate commemoration of the United States Semiquincentennial in Kansas. This commission member attends the monthly meetings of the Kansas 250 Commission and the virtual meetings of America250 and America 250 West Working Group. Information was extracted from the 2023 Annual Report of the Kansas Commission for the United States Semiguincentennial, Rep. Susan Estes, Chair. The Commission drafted and adopted Bylaws and drafted and approved the Articles of Incorporation to create a separate non-profit organization. The Commission established the following committees: Legislative Liaison Committee, Education Committee, Marketing Committee, Fundraising Committee. The Commission identified its official name, Kansas 250 and partnered with Kansas Tourism to create its logo and tagline, "Per Aspera". The Commission's website is being developed by Kansas Tourism. The Commission organized a booth at the Kansas State Fair. The Commission signed the America 250 Partnership Agreement and collected seed funding of \$10,000 from the national organization. It is an honor to serve as the KSDAR Designee, Kansas 250 Commission.

Marshal Sally Bender

This Marshal had the pleasure of helping bring the 2023 Fall Forum and the 2024 State Conference to Kansas Daughters. To prepare for the events, she met in-person with the Protocol Chair, attended Zoom calls, attended in-person meetings at the hotels, and exchanged numerous emails. She executed all in-person Marshal duties during the events with the support of the Protocol Chair, State Meetings Committee members, State Officers, Pages, and pianists. Special gratitude is extended to Protocol Chairman Mary Frisch, State Regent Rebecca Kline, State Recording Secretary Becky Spaulding, State Page Chair Jamie Barton, and Marshal Vice Chair Ginger Umscheid for their guidance, unwavering support, and mentorship. Additional thanks to our fantastic group of pages! This Marshal is honored and humbled to serve the Kline Administration.

Music Jana Fallin

The inaugural full year of the new State Music Committee was one of many parts coming together in strong harmony. The committees goal is to bring together the ceremonial depth that live music offers, to share resources for chapters across the state, and to support the KSDAR Society. The Fall Forum had an informative session educating the state membership about the new resources on the state website with an interactive demonstration. The music committee shared details and gave examples to the membership and showcased the joy of singing together. The April Conference had the State Music Committee providing music at every session, the Sunflower Singers performing, musicians supporting the Memorial Service with instruments in addition to piano. There is power in singing together as we express our shared history in this moving channel. Jana Fallin, Ph.D., led this committee of Susan Keith, Julie Crawford, Marian Noble, Anne Otte, and Kim Patrick. The committee is busily preparing for the next meetings including something special for the President General's visit which will culminate and showcase the talent and enthusiasm of Kansas DAR sisters as we share in her theme of Stars and Stripes Forever.

## Parliamentarian Mary Frisch

The parliamentarian was available for consultation on demand. She made a presentation at the Fall Forum 2023 at the request of the State Regent. Parliamentary Tips were included in some of the *CyberSunflower* issues. Books and links to parliamentary procedures were made available to the members.

Protocol Mary Frisch

Protocol procedures, including seating charts, introductions, receiving lines and processionals were made available to members on demand. Sample scripts for ceremonies, rituals, presentations, dedications, etc. were published on the KSDAR website. Protocol Tips were included in some issues of the *CyberSunflower*. The Protocol concerning the Official Chapter visit by the State Regent was published on the website. The State Regent's bio and photo were provided on demand.

## **State Application Team**

Melissa Stuchlik

The State Application Team continues to assist chapters with applications for new members. Your SAT chair is part of a sparkling group of Daughters who assisted with 21 applications in 2023. The genies on the SAT are: Phyllis Benedict, Three Trails West, KSDAR

Lineage Research Chair (if she can't find it, it isn't there), VFG, GEP I; Donita Dupslaff, Oceanus Hopkins, Chapter Registrar, GEP I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII; Sheila Houvener, Quivira Crossing, Chapter Registrar, GEP I, II, VI; Robin Kern, Olathe, GEPI, II, III, IV, V, VII; Janet Schmidt, Mary Wade Strother, Chapter Regent, GEP I, II, III, IV, V, VII; Leslie Stair, Eshter Lowrey, Chapter Vice Regent, GEP I, II, III, IV, V; Melissa Stuchlik, Mary Wade Strother, KDAR SAT & KSDAR CDRC Chairs, Chapter 2nd Vice Regent, GEP I, II, III, IV, V, VII; Karen Younce, Martha Vail, Chapter Registrar, GEP I, II, III, V, VI, VII. From the 21 applications, 18 have been completed by our team. Along with working applications, our team has been available to registrars to help find that elusive line or document.

## **State Meetings Chair**

## Retha Blecha/Sara Larson

State Meeting Co-Chairs worked diligently to ensure the success of the State Fall Meeting in Hays and the State Conference in Wichita. Our work would not have been successful without the State Meetings Committee working closely together, especially after the sudden death of our State Conference Treasurer, Renee Gruen. Working together with our State Regent, we met with hotel staff in early August and February respectively to ensure meeting spaces were assigned as needed, menus planned, and the schedule of events complete. The new venue in Hays was a success and the staff very cooperative. Jotform was again used for on-line registration and dues payments for clubs and the link was posted on the members website and in CyberSunflower. Working alongside the State Meetings newly appointed Treasurer, Kathy Hays, for State Conference, a spreadsheet was created combining on-line and mail in registrations, allowing for ease of creating packets for each registered guest, thus creating a stream-lined check-in process. Google forms were created and shared with the State Meetings Committee creating a working document that each committee member had access to, eliminating many email exchanges.

<b>State Meetings Treasurer</b>	Renee Gruen/Kathy Hays
2023 September State Meeting	Hays, KS
Receipts:	1.020.00

Registration	1,820.00
Meals	9,515.03
Miscellaneous	344.48
Page Patron Fund (PPF)	1,378.00

State Regent's Project TOTAL	1,029.26 \$14,156.77	
Disbursements:	5 470 47	
Conf Fees/Fri Dinner	5,470.47	
Conf Fees/Sat Lunch	4,103.51	
Conf Fees/AV Resources	410.12	
Other Expenses	1,176.68	
Page Patron Fund (PPF)	148.82	
Meeting Room Cost	1,100.00	
Cancellations: Approved Refunds	(276.26)	
TOTAL	\$22,764.41	
Net Loss	\$(8,607.64)	
Total Attendance: 173; Friday Dinner: 157; Saturday Lunch: 160		
2024 State Conference	Wichita, KS	
Receipts:		
Registration	\$4.125.00	
SR #8	\$3,024.00	
Conference Ads	\$1,385.00	
Reg./Meals	\$46,510.00	
Designated Donations:	·	
Page Patron Fund (PPF)	\$1,753.00	
State Regent's Project	\$1,367.00	
General Conference Fund	\$464.00	
TOTAL	\$58,628.00	
Disbursements:		
Conference Fees/Meals**	\$50,738.85	
State Regent's Project (pass-through)	\$1,367.00	
Page Patron Expenses	\$1,588.76	
Page Registrations (SR #20)	\$240.00	
Printing	\$871.08	
Name Tags/Ribbons	\$368.43	
Speaker Expenses	\$547.15	
Other Expenses	\$734.76	
TOTAL	\$56,456.03	

Attendance: 274

State Page Jamie Barton

The Pages of the Kansas Society are truly wonderful to work with. During the 2023 Fall Forum, nine hard-working ladies volunteered their time to assist Kansas Daughters. Those pages were: Haley Popelka, Desire Tobey Sears Chapter; Ashley Mayer, Betty Washington Chapter; Amanda Herron, Isabella Weldin Chapter; Jamie Barton, Isabella Weldin Chapter; Jillian Pence, Sagamore Chapter; Mary Ayers, Eunice Sterling Chapter; Kathryn Largent, Quivira Crossing Chapter; Sara Valoff, Quivira Crossing Chapter; and Maura Brady, Olathe Chapter. During the 2024 State Conference, the following pages were in attendance: Alicia Firstbrook-Stott, Polly Ogden Chapter; Haley Popelka, Desire Tobey Sears Chapter; Ashley Mayer, Betty Washington Chapter; Amanda Tindell, Topeka Chapter; Jamie Barton, Isabella Weldin Chapter; Mary Ayers, Eunice Sterling Chapter; Elisabeth Baldwin, Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter; Elle Hempy, Three Trails West Chapter; Kathryn Largent, Quivira Crossing Chapter; Sara Valoff, Quivira Crossing Chapter; Jillian Pence, Sagamore Chapter; Kayla Roehler, Wyandot Chapter; Theresa Umscheid, Prairie Rose Chapter; Eliza Tindell, C.A.R. Page; Paige Rumble, St. Leger Cowley/Prairie Rose; Amy Lambert; and St. Leger Cowley/Sagamore. This chair wishes to express her gratitude to these lovely pages for their hard work and dedication and looks forward to continuing to work sideby-side with this incredible group of women.

## **State Regent's Project**

**Kathryn West** 

Supporters of the Legacy of Liberty administration abound! Appreciation is expressed to the members for their financial support of the State Regent's Project in 2023, with over \$15,670 in donations and over \$8,702 in merchandise sales. Combined totals of donations and merchandise sales administration to date is \$41,472. A donor society has been established for this administration which recognizes donors making one-time donations of various amounts. Legacy donors of at least \$300, Liberty donors of at least \$200 and Torch donors of at least \$100 were recognized with an advertisement in the 2023 State Conference program booklet. Merchandise sales include the State Regent's Project torch pin, silk scarf and notecards. A purse auction at the 2023 State Conference was very popular and included new name brand and designer bags as well as classic vintage bags and is recorded as part of the donated amount. The first Liberty Grant of \$578 was sponsored by the Flores del Sol Chapter and was awarded to the Robert

J. Dole VA Behavioral Health Services program for PTSD. Adela Lipari, winner of the Kansas DAR Scholarship, became a member of the Olathe Chapter, and her DAR application, fees, and dues were paid from the project fund.

## **State Webmaster**

## Diana Crouch/Sally Bender

Updates continue with the KSDAR Public website, KSDAR Members-Only website and KSDAR Chapter websites to keep them updated with the latest information. On the members-only website the KSDAR Calendar page was upgraded in a calendar format and includes important dates and events in Mrs. Kline's Administration. Several pages were added to the members-only website: Honoraries page for the Honorary State Regents information, Members Resource page to help chapters with valuable information links to help with membership and general chapter support, Committee Chairs information, Music page to share resources to introduce music into chapter meetings and events. The "State Meetings" page required many changes before and during the April Conference and Fall Forum. This includes hotel suggestions, registration form, schedule, plus any videos and documents used during the meetings. Information for all the Committee Chairs gets updated before the Fall Forum and especially scholarship updates on the public website and member-only website. We continue to add the monthly CyberSunflower on the "Newsletter" page which now includes a textonly version that prints in black and white only. The 2023 AR&P was added to the Archives page. The conversion of chapter websites continues through 2024.

## Supplemental Mid-Level Review Team Linda Jensen

This team was formed in the fall of 2019, almost five years ago. Since that time, Kansas Daughters have submitted 422 supplementals to D.C. for verification. One hundred ninety-seven of those have been verified, with 208 in review status. The SMRT reviewed 103 with only three AIRs, two of which have been resolved. Fifty-eight of the pending supplementals were also reviewed by the SMRT. Additionally, 42 were reviewed and returned for research or approved but await submission. Registrar General Parnell has announced changes and requests regarding supplementals. One of the requests is for all supplementals to be reviewed by at least two trained Daughters. How does your chapter plan to handle this request? The SMRT is here to help. Two state registrars, WV and GA reached out for information and have started a

SMRT. A couple of other states have contacted this state chair with questions. Many thanks to Brenda Judd Dooley, Vicki Timmons, Beverly Yates and Leslie Harris, without their hours of hard work, expertise and humor, Kansas wouldn't be leading the way with SMRT.

## REPORTS OF DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Southwest District Valerie Bothell

Director: Valerie Bothell

Assistant Director: Marian Nolan Secretary-Treasurer: Deniese Fawcett

Kansas Daughters in the Southwest District supported the military this year by donating 285 socks to veterans and sending 380 cards to activeduty personnel. There were 63 Quilts of Valor awarded and 400 flags were given to Honor Flight recipients. Participation in Wreaths Across America has increased with over 1,000 wreaths placed on graves to honor those who have served. Patriotism was exhibited with chapters walking in 4th of July parades and 215 flags were retired. Literacy was promoted with a total of 1,216 books donated to schools and libraries. A genealogy workshop was held in Pratt, Kansas sponsored by the Kanza Chapter to assist prospective members with their applications. The district served over 1400 children by participating in Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB. The Eunice Sterling, Randolph Loving and Mary Draper Chapters decorated their cars and provided candy for the event. The Newton, Little Arkansas, Flores del Sol and William Wilson Chapter teamed up with the Happy Hustlers 4-H group to donate large amounts of candy to make this project a huge success. The district ended the year with over 25,000 service hours, exceeding their total from last year by over 3,000 hours.

## KSDAR SW District Annual Meeting September 16, 2023

- I. Call Meeting to Order:
- a. SW District Director Valerie Bothell called the meeting to order at 3:19pm.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- a. SW District Director Valerie Bothell led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Approval of Minutes/Treasurer Report

- a. No revisions recommended. Minutes approved. Treasurer Report: \$309.97 in our account.
- IV. Roll Call by Mary Ayers:
  - a. Cimarron River Valley Regent +1 Present
  - b. Dodge City Not Present
  - c. Eunice Sterling Regent Present
  - d. Flores del Sol Not Present
  - e. Fort Larned Not Present
  - f. Kanza Not Present
  - g. Little Arkansas Regent + 2 Present
  - h. Martha Loving Ferrell Not Present
  - i. Martha Vail Not Present
  - j. Mary Draper Regent + 2 Present
  - k. Newton Regent +1 Present
  - 1. Randolph Loving Regent Present
  - m. Uvedale Not Present
  - n. Wichita Not Present
  - o. William Wilson Regent + 2 Present

## V. Assistant Director Update

a. Gerry Winters has submitted her resignation as Assistant Director. SW District Director Valerie Bothell called for a nomination to fill the one-year vacancy. Marion Nolan, of the William Wilson Chapter, was nominated and elected for the current term.

## VI. Nominating Committee

- a. SW District Director Valerie Bothell called for nominations to the Nominating Committee. The following members were nominated and elected to serve on the Nominating Committee:
  - i. Amy Spurgeon Mary Draper Chapter
  - ii. Dixie Drake William Wilson Chapter
  - iii. Angelique Reilly Randolph Loving Chapter
  - iv. ALTERNATE: Ginny McKnit

## VII. Table Decorations Committee

- a. SW District Director Valerie Bothell called for nominations to the Table Decorations Committee. The following members were nominated and elected to serve on the Table Decorations Committee: Angelique Reilly, Elizabeth Winterbone, Marion Nolan, Debra Eaves
- VIII. District Service Project, Trunk-or-Treat
- a. We will be partnering with McConnell 22d FDD at their upcoming Trunk-or-Treat in the Dole Center Parking Lot. The event

will take place on Friday, October 27 from 5:30pm-7:30pm. We expect 1,500 children of service members to participate. The following chapters will be on-site with decorated trunks and treats for the children: Mary Draper, William Wilson, Little Arkansas, Randolph Loving, Eunice Sterling.

IX. Meeting adjourned at 3:52 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Mary Ayers, Eunice Sterling Chapter Regent

# KANSAS SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION SOUTHWEST DISTRICT GUIDELINES

#### NAME

The name is the Southwest District of the Kansas Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

#### **OBJECT**

The object of this District is to expand the programs of the State and National Societies; to promote fellowship among members; to provide instruction and inspiration to members; to acquaint members with the State Officers and State Committee Chairs.

## **MEMBERS**

The members of the Southwest District are members in good standing of the chapters of this district.

## **MEETINGS**

The annual Meeting of the southwest District shall be held in the fall and shall be in accordance with the Bylaws of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

## **FINANCES**

#### Section 1: Dues

Annual dues of \$5.00 shall be paid by each chapter in the district to the KSDAR State Treasurer as part of their chapter's remittance due December 1st of each year, using the KSDAR Remittance Form. These funds shall constitute the operating budget and shall be used for postage, copying, printing and other district expenses.

## Section 2: Southwest District Account

All money from district, fundraising, donations, dues or other sources shall be held by the KSDAR State Treasurer in the Southwest District Account to be used for district expenses or special projects.

## Section 3: Contributions

Contributions made by the district shall be for DAR projects and must be approved at the Annual District Meeting.

#### **OFFICERS**

## Section 1: Officers

The officers of the District are a Director, an Assistant Director and a Secretary-Treasurer.

## Section 2: Term

The officers shall be elected for a term of three years as stated in the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution bylaws. An officer who has served more than one-half term in a District office shall be deemed to have served a term.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

## Section 1: Members

The Executive Committee shall include the officers of the District; the State Regent may be an ex-officio member.

## Section 2: Duties

The Executive Committee shall direct the business of the District between Annual Meetings.

## Section 3: Vacancies

The Executive Committee shall fill all vacancies except that of Director which is filled by the Assistant Director, until the next Annual Meeting when the vacancy for the unexpired term will be filled by the District members.

#### NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION

## Section 1: State Nominating Committee Representative

In the third year of an administration, a member and an alternate to represent the District on the State Nominating Committee shall be elected from the floor.

## Section 2: District Nominating Committee

a. A nominating committee of three members and an alternate; representing different chapters, shall be elected from the floor during the second year of the administration. The chair shall be chosen by the committee.

- b. No member shall serve on two consecutive nominating committees.
- c. The nominating committee shall make its report to the District Director by August 1 of the election year.
- d. Nominations may be made from the floor if the consent of the nominee has previously been obtained.
- e. Election shall be by ballot, except where there is only one nominee for office, in which case the elections shall be by voice vote.
- f. A majority vote of those present shall constitute an election.

## **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

## Section 1: The Director shall

- a. Preside at the annual District Meeting.
- b. Assist the State Vice Regent and applicable State Officers and Chairs, with the approval of the State Regent, in planning the September Meeting and the State Conference when the District is host.
- c. Send required notices of any pending business to the chapters of the District.
- d. Present the Chapter Regents of the District at the Chapter Regents' Function during State Conference.
- e. Oversee all other District functions as needed.

#### Section 2: The Assistant Director shall:

- a. Serve in the Director's absence or inability to fulfill her duties.
- b. Become Director if the office of District Director becomes vacant.
- c. Assist in any capacity requested.

## Section 3: The Secretary-Treasurer shall

- a. Record the minutes of the meeting and send a copy to the District Director for approval.
- b. Send an annual District Report, including all election results by October 1st, to the State Regent and State Recording Secretary to be included in the Annual Report and Proceedings.
- c. Oversee all District financial matters.
- d. Assist in any capacity requested.

## **AMENDMENTS**

The Southwest District Guidelines may be amended by majority vote of those present at the Annual Meeting. Provided that they do not conflict with the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution Bylaws or Standing Rules or the bylaws of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and provided that any such amendment has been submitted to the Southwest District Chapters, District Officers and State Regent, thirty days prior to the Annual Meeting.

Revised 14 September 2019

## **Northwest District**

**Nancy Williams** 

Director: Nancy Williams

Assistant Director: Sherry Koster Secretary-Treasurer: Diana Crouch

This Director attended the September 2023 Fall Forum held in Hays, Kansas and the Mamie Doud Eisenhower Grave Dedication in Abilene, Kansas in June 2023. American History Essay Contest was supported with awards to students. Chapters celebrated Citizenship Day on September 17th, National Day of Prayer on October 8th, and Constitution Week activities with distribution of United States of America Flags and Constitution Week pamphlets in schools and libraries. The Boston Tea Party 250th Anniversary was celebrated with tea parties and programs. Chapters participated at Wreaths Across America and Memorial Day activities with US Flag placement on veterans' graves. Several chapters sent monetary contributions and soft goods to Hawaii for the restoration of the historic district of Lahaina on the Island of Maui. Chapters continue to support Honor Flights throughout the state. Chapters support the DAR Good Citizens committee with awards ceremonies. The Committee Classroom Committee sent teaching pamphlets to the Kate Duncan Smith School. The Good-Land Chapter worked on a beautification project on Main Street, as well as the cemetery with special planters at the entrance. This District is honored to support Mrs. Haley Popelka, Desire Tobey Sears Chapter, as the 2023 Kansas Outstanding Junior and National Finalist.

## KSDAR NW District Annual Meeting September 16, 2023

Call to order was conducted by Northwest District Director, Nancy B. Williams at 3:22 p.m., Saturday, September 16th, 2023, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Hays, Kansas. She welcomed all members and their guests.

The invocation was given by Vice-Director, Sherry Koster. Scripture 1 Peter 5:5-7. The Preamble to the Constitution was recited by all.

District Roll Call -

ullet Honorary State Regent -1

- State Officers 1
- Chapter Regent 10
- Chapter Vice Regent 2
- Juniors 1

Ten (10) of the District Chapters were represented, 29 NW District Daughters were present. 10 Chapter Regents were present.

Mrs. Williams recognized State Historian Sherrie Smith and Honorary State Regent, Brenda Dooley was in attendance. She appreciated the attendance at today's meeting.

Minutes of the September 10th, 2022, meeting was previously distributed electronically to each Chapter Regent. These minutes were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report was given by NW District Secretary/Treasurer, Diana Crouch, Courtney- Spalding Chapter. Mrs. Crouch reported the beginning balance in the NW District funds is \$391.04 as of 12/31/2022, which is held with the Kansas State Treasurer, Daughters of the American Revolution. No expenses to date. Retha Blecha moved to accept the NW District Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was seconded. Discussion was held. The motion was unanimously approved 29-0 and the Treasurer's report was filed for audit.

Mrs. Williams led a discussion on the traditional donation of NW District funds. According to the bylaws remaining district funds can only be given to the State General Fund. The Executive Board proposed that the balance of \$391.04 + 2023 Chapter Dues be kept until spring of 2024. After a brief discussion, Brenda Dooley presented a motion to maintain funds until spring of 2024, at which time, the NW District will decide on which account the funds will be placed. The motion was seconded. Discussion was held. The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business**: Nominating Committee for Selecting District Officers for 2025-2028 Term:

Mrs. Williams requested nominations for the committee of three and one alternate from different chapters, to present the new slate of Northwest District Officers for the term 2025-2028 term for the September 2024 meeting.

The following volunteers were selected for the nomination committee:

1. Susan Church from Polly Ogden Chapter

- 2. Retha Blecha from Desire Toby Sears Chapter
- 3. Sharon Maurath from John Athey Chapter

Alternate – Melissa Stulick from Mary Wade Strothers Chapter.

#### Announcements -

- Constitution Week September 17 23rd
- NSDAR Day of Prayer October 11th
- DAR Leadership Training Members Course Jan Goss
- DAR Leadership Training New Horizons Course Tonya Adams
- DAR Leadership Training Committee Leaders Course Kimberly Patrick
- DAR Volunteer Genealogist Committee Chair Bunnie Bowen (Kansas Website SIP Tab)

2024 State Conference – April 25 – 28 – Wichita Marriott, 9100 Corporate Hills Drive – Wichita, KS 67207; (316) 651-0333

2024 Fall Forum – September 13 – 14 – Double Tree by Hilton, 200 McDonald Drive – Lawrence, KS 66044; (785) 341-5432

Benediction: Mrs. Koster read the last paragraph from the poem Desiderata. She asked Retha Blecha to help her lead the group in singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

Mrs. Williams thanked everyone for attending and safe travels home. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. Diana Crouch, NW District Secretary/Treasurer

# NORTHWEST DISTRICT of the KANSAS SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION GUIDELINES

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#### **MEMBERS**

The members Northwest District are members in good standing in the chapters of this district.

#### **MEETINGS**

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## **FINANCES**

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#### Section 2: Term

The officers shall be elected for a term of three years as stated in the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution bylaws. An officer who has served more than one-half term in a District office shall be deemed to have served a term.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

#### Section 1: Members

The Executive Committee shall include the officers of the District; the State Regent may be an ex-officio member.

#### Section 2: Duties

The Executive Committee shall direct the business of the District between Annual Meetings.

## Section 3: Vacancies

The Executive Committee shall fill all vacancies except that of Director which is filled by the Assistant Director, until the next Annual Meeting when the vacancy for the unexpired term will be filled by the District members.

## NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION

## Section 1: State Nominating Committee Representative

In the third year of an administration, a member and an alternate to represent the District on the State Nominating Committee shall be elected from the floor.

## Section 2: District Nominating Committee

- a. A nominating committee of three members and an alternate; representing different chapters, shall be elected from the floor during the second year of the administration. The chair shall be chosen by the committee.
- b. No member shall serve on two consecutive nominating committees.
- c. The nominating committee shall make its report to the District Director by August 1 of the election year.
- d. Nominations may be made from the floor if the consent of the nominee has previously been obtained.
- e. Election shall be by ballot, except where there is only one nominee for office, in which case the elections shall be by voice vote.
- f. A majority vote of those present shall constitute an election.

## **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

## Section 1: The Director shall:

- a. Preside at the annual District Meeting.
- b. Assist the State Vice Regent with the approval of the State Regent in planning the September Meeting when the District is host.
- c. Send required notices of any pending business to the chapters of the District.
- d. Present the Chapter Regents of the District at the Chapter Regents' Function during State Conference.
- e. Oversee all other District functions as needed.

## Section 2: The Assistant Director:

- a. Serve in the Director's absence or inability.
- b. Become Director if the office of District Director becomes vacant.
- c. Assist in any capacity requested.

Section 3: The Secretary-Treasurer shall:

- a. Record the minutes of the meeting and send a copy to the District Director for approval.
- b. Send an annual District Report, including all election results by October 1st, to the State Regent and State Recording Secretary to be included in the Annual Report and Proceedings.
- c. Oversee all District financial matters.
- d. Assist in any capacity requested.

## **AMENDMENTS**

The Northwest District Guidelines may be amended by majority vote of those present at the Annual Meeting, provided that they do not conflict with the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution bylaws or Standing Rules or the Bylaws of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and provided that any such amendment has been submitted to the Northwest District Chapters, District Officers and State Regent, thirty days prior to the Annual Meeting.

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## **Northeast District**

**Janet Alley** 

Director: Janet Alley

Assistant Director: Mary Cutting Secretary-Treasurer: Ilene McKaig

The Northeast District has been busy holding the torch high this past year. District Chapters participating in the Leavenworth County Veterans Day Parade at the invitation of Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter included Mission Hills, Olathe, Prairie Rose, Sagamore, Shawnee Mission, Three Trails West, and Wyandot. Members handed out flags, patriotic bracelets and other patriotic items to enthusiastic children. Following the parade, the District held a wreath laying ceremony at the Buffalo Soldiers Monument on Fort Leavenworth. Official State Regent visits with individual NED chapters were coordinated by the district director. February's NED Workshop hosted 100 attendees from throughout the state for a variety of training workshops. The Live and Silent Auctions raised funds to help procure and establish an America 250! Patriot Marker within District boundaries. Many thanks go to workshop committee members Jan Goss, Kim Patrick, Pam Kelley, Katana Ewbank, and Tonya Adams. The NED Ad Hoc Committee team of Sue Cowan, Jan Goss, Melissa Precht, and Dixie Bell have been diligently working to secure one or more sites

for an America 250! Patriot Marker. This Director owes much to Mary Cutting, Assistant Director, and Ilene McKaig, Secretary/Treasurer for the success of District activities.

## KSDAR NE District Annual Meeting September 16, 2023

The Northeast District Annual Meeting of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution was called to order at 3:21 p.m. by Northeast District Director, Janet Alley at the Hilton Garden Inn in Hays, Kansas. The Northeast District Assistant Director, Mary Cutting and the Northeast District Secretary/Treasurer, Ilene McKaig were also present.

The Invocation was given by Judy Rider, John Haupt Chapter. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ashley Mayer, Betty Washington Chapter. The American's Creed was led by Diane Boeger, James Ross Chapter. Recognition was given to State Regent Rebecca Kline and Past Registrar General Pat Carpenter.

## Roll Call

Roll call was answered by 17 of 19 chapters with 12 regents, 4 chapters without an officer, and 33 chapter members. The total voting strength was 45. A quorum was declared for the meeting.

## **Minutes Approval**

The minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting were approved by committee and have been printed in the AR&P. Thanks were extended to Kari Lyche, Betty Washington Chapter; Marla Slaughter, Betty Washington Chapter; and Betsey Ruiter, Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter, for serving as Minute Approvers. Sue Cowan, Tomahawk Chapter; Linda Stevens, Shawnee Mission Chapter; and Susan Kramer, John Haupt Chapter, were appointed with no objections to approve minutes for the 2023 Northeast District Meeting.

## Treasurer's Report

The following data was provided by the KSDAR State Treasurer: Balance 9/10/2022 (last Annual Meeting)

\$358.00

Adjustment by State Treasurer – Oct. 2022 - \$6.00 Subtotal \$364.00

2022 Dues submitted to State Treasurer -

19 chapters @ \$6.00 \$114.00

19 chapters @ \$15.00 – Conference hosting fees \$285.00 2023 Northeast District Workshop -

Feb. 27, 2023	\$1,722.00
Apr. 13, 2023	\$210.00
Balance as of 9/16/2023	\$2.695.00

## **Unfinished Business**

District Director Report - Janet Alley

- 1. District Workshop Report: Our February 25th, 2023, Workshop was held at the Stilwell United Methodist Church, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Workshop Committee members include the District board members, and Pam Kelley, Kim Patrick, Katana Eubank, Jan Goss, and Tonya Adams. From this committee Pam, Jan, Kim and Tonya conducted workshops. Mary Frisch, Kathryn West, and Denise Bullock were also special guest presenters. Many thanks go to these Daughters helping to make a successful workshop. There were approximately 90 members signed up from around the state.
- 2. 2022-2023 Host Duties for State Conference and the Fall Meeting A collective thank you was expressed for those Northeast District members who assisted with decorating, manning the check in table, providing supplies, and pitching in when requested.

## Assistant Director Report - Mary Cutting

Mary thanked the many individuals who assisted in creating and setting up the decorations for the 2023 State Conference, 2022 Fall Forum, and the Golden West Tea at Continental Congress. The expenses for the decorations were donated resulting in the funds collected from the Chapters remaining in the Northeast District Account with the State Treasurer.

Secretary Report - Ilene McKaig Northeast District Brochure

Discussion of the revised VIS policies, chapter websites and printed materials, specifically the NE District Brochure, determined that specific personal information can no longer be published due to concern for member safety. A consensus of members approved the removal of the list of chapters to be replaced by a district map with chapter locations and a QR code which would link to the KSDAR Membership Committee Vice Chair - PMD. The Chair will be first contact for the prospective Member who will direct her to appropriate chapters.

#### New Business

District Nominating Committee for 2024-2027 District Officers Kim Patrick, Olathe Chapter; Sandy Wurth, Tomahawk Chapter; Betsey Ruiter, Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter, were nominated to serve on the committee. Pat Carpenter, Prairie Flint Hills Chapter, was nominated as alternate. Melissa Precht moved that nominations close. The Slate of Nominees was elected by a majority vote.

America 250! Patriots Marker - The Kansas State Regent has requested that all four Kansas Districts place an America 250! Patriots Marker and suggested that the Marker from the Northeast District be placed on the State Capitol grounds in Topeka. Large brown markers, 30"x30", are \$5555.00. The smaller plaques, 24" x 24", are \$2839.00.

Additional Marker locations were also discussed in addition to the Topeka site. It was moved by Jan Goss and seconded that an Ad Hoc Committee be formed to work out funding details and marker locations. The motion passed. Volunteers for the Ad Hoc Committee include Melissa Precht, Olathe Chapter; Sue Cowan, Tomahawk Chapter; Jan Goss, Sagamore Chapter; Julia Bernhard, John Haupt Chapter; Dixie Bell, Shawnee Mission Chapter; and Cindy Henry, Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter, volunteered to serve on the committee.

## Veterans Day 2023

Chapters of the Northeast District were encouraged to participate in the Leavenworth Veterans Day Parade on November 11, 2023. Plans are in the works to have a Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Buffalo Soldiers Memorial immediately following the parade.

Linda Jensen, Capt. Jesse Leavenworth, asked that anyone participating email her with contact information. Chapters are encouraged to bring their own banners, if desired.

## 2024 Northeast District Workshop

The next workshop will be held February 24, 2024, at the First Baptist Church of Shawnee, 11400 Johnson Drive, Shawnee, KS 66203, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. The assembly suggested the following workshop topics: grant writing, DOC information, updating chapter websites, attracting and keeping Juniors, building chapter unity, mentoring, genealogy workshops, Leadership Course Training.

Much of the 2023 Workshop income came from Raffle and Auction items. Chapters were encouraged to provide raffle items to increase our revenue.

This church location has asked that the District provide proof of an insurance policy with \$1,000,000.00 in coverage. Kim Patrick reported that the RVNA insurance purchased with gift wrapping proceeds would cover not only the holiday gift wrap activity but also the 2024 workshop. The policy can be tailored to individual district activities. Kim will renew the gift wrapping insurance policy this November and have it issued specially for the 2024 workshop in February.

#### Announcements

- 1. Shawnee Mission Chapter will be hosting Dr. Susan Metzger, NSDAR Curator General, who will be speaking about the NSDAR Museum on October 25, 2023. The event will be held at 1:00 p.m. at the American Legion Post 370, 7500 W. 75th Street, Overland Park, KS. Please contact Leslie Harris for more registration information.
- 2. Gift Wrapping: Jan Goss reported that she is working with Oak Park Mall to work out details. Chapters should let Pam Kelley know if they will be participating this year. Once again, a number of items will be needed including: tables, chairs, wrapping paper, wired ribbon, tape, boxes, post-it notes, bottled water, snacks. This year's organizing committee will include: Kim Patrick, Jan Goss, Pam Kelley, Corinne Hembree, and Carol Crane.
- 3. Bunnie Bowen reported that a Civil War grave marking event will be on October 15, 2023. The grave of Robert Clayburn located in Wyandotte County was left unmarked. A gravestone is being installed. More details will follow when available.
- 4. Laura Kaiser shared that there will be Honor Flights at KCI on Sept. 27, 2023, and October 11, 2023. More information will be distributed when available.
- 5. Sandy Wurth shared that the Shawnee Indian Mission Fall Festival will be held October 14, 2023, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Volunteers will be needed at the DAR information table. Contact Sandy for more information.

#### Benediction

The benediction was given by Kathy Hays, Olathe Chapter.

## Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

Ilene McKaig, Northeast District Secretary/Treasurer

## NORTHEAST DISTRICT of the DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION GUIDELINES

## **NAME**

The name is the Northeast District of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

#### **OBJECT**

The object of this District is to fulfill the programs of the State and National Societies; to promote fellowship among members; to provide instruction and inspiration to members; to acquaint members with the State Officers and State Committee Chairs.

## **MEMBERS**

The members are members in good standing of the Chapters of the Northeast District of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

## **MEETINGS**

The Annual Northeast District Meeting shall be held in the fall and according to the Kansas society Daughters of the American Revolution Bylaws. Special meetings may be called by the District Executive Board.

## **FINANCES**

#### Section 1: Dues

Annual Dues of \$6.00 shall be paid by each chapter in the district to the KSDAR State Treasurer as part of their chapter's remittance due December 1st of each year, using the KSDAR State Remittance Form, line idem NE District Dues found under State/Required. These funds shall constitute the operating budget and shall be used for postage, copying, printing, and other district expenses.

## Section 2: Contributions

Contributions made by the district shall before DAR projects and must be approved at the Annual District Meeting.

## Section 3: General Fund

No less than fifty dollars shall be held by the District at the end of the three-year term to be carried over as a general fund for the new term. This fund, made up of dues, is to be used for operating expenses and special projects. All Northeast District Funds will be administered by the KSDAR State Treasurer.

#### **OFFICERS**

#### Section 1: Officers

The officers of the District are a Director, an Assistant Director, and a Secretary-Treasurer. These officers shall be known as the N.E. District Executive Committee.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

#### Section 1: Members

The Executive Committee shall be made up of all the officers of the District.

#### Section 2: Duties

The Executive Committee shall direct the business of the District between Annual Meetings.

#### Section 3: Vacancies

The Executive Committee shall fill all vacancies except that of Director which is filled by the Assistant Director, until the next Annual District Meeting when the vacancy for the unexpired term will be filled by the District members.

#### NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

#### Section 1: State Nominating Committee Representative

In the third year of an administration, a member and an alternate to represent the District on the State Nominating Committee shall be elected from the floor.

#### Section 2. District Nominating Committee

- a. A nominating committee of three members and an alternate, representing four different Chapters, shall be elected from the floor during the second year of the administration. The chair shall be chosen by the committee.
- b. No member shall serve on two consecutive nominating committees.
- c. The nominating committee shall make its report to the District Director by August 1 of the election year.
- d. Nominations may be made from the floor if the consent of the nominee has previously been obtained.

#### Section 3. District Elections

- a. Elections shall take place in the third year of an administration during the Annual District Meeting.
- b. No member shall be eligible to succeed herself in the same District office.
- c. A member may serve consecutive terms in the three offices of her District; such consecutive service shall be limited to three terms.
- d. Election shall be by ballot, except where there is only one nominee for office, in which case the elections shall be by voice vote.
- e. A majority vote of members present shall constitute an election.
- f. New officers shall take office at the close of the State Conference at which the State Officers are elected.

#### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

#### Section 1: The Director shall:

- a. Preside at all District Meetings.
- b. Assist the State Vice Regent with the approval of the State Regent in planning the State September Meeting when the District is host.
- c. Represent the Chapter Regents of the District at the Chapter Regent's Function.
- d. Oversee all other District functions as needed during State Conference.
- e. Send an annual District report, including all election results, to the State Regent and State Recording Secretary to be included in the Annual Report and Proceedings.
- f. Oversee all other District functions as needed.

#### Section 2: The Assistant Director shall:

- a. Serve in the Director's absence or inability to fulfill her duties.
- b. Become Director if the office of District Director becomes vacant.
- c. Assist in any capacity requested.

#### Section 3: The Secretary-Treasurer shall:

- a. Record minutes of the District meetings; send a copy to the Director and all members appointed by the Director for approval.
- b. Oversee all District financial matters.
- c. Send required notices of any pending business to the chapters of the District.
- d. Treasurer will request a financial statement ten days prior to the District Meeting for reporting purposes to the District members.
- e. Assist in any capacity requested.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

The Northeast District Guidelines may be amended by majority vote of those present at the Annual or called Special meeting, provided that they do not conflict with the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution Bylaws or Standing Rules or the Bylaws of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and provided that any such amendment has been submitted to the Northeast District chapters, District Officers and State Regent, thirty days prior to the meeting.

#### STANDING RULES

Standing Rules may be amended or suspended at any meeting of the Northeast District by a majority vote of those present.

1) The District Director will appoint a Conference Committee that will be responsible for the registration, decoration, set-up and other duties as needed for the KSDAR State meeting which the District is assigned as Host. The committee will be organized by the end of the Annual District Meeting that is closest to the hosted meetings.

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#### **Southeast District**

Nancy Machnicki

Director: Nancy Machnicki Assistant Director: Susan Davis

Secretary-Treasurer: Pamela Hennigh

This District Director is grateful to the Southeast District for the wonderful events hosted this year. We welcome new members to our District and Kansas Society through genealogy workshops that were hosted by chapters. Our State Regent, Rebecca Kline, and State officers visited the Fall SE District Meeting and offered advice and information on healthy chapters which was greatly appreciated. Our chapters instilled activities to help improve our chapters by calling and visiting members, finding meaningful activities to participate in, including sending monthly newsletters to all members, and hosting a new service project. By working together on hosting our State Conference this year, we enjoyed the time together building friendships. Veterans were served in many meaningful ways by sending cards, participating in parades, Honor Flights honoring our Vietnam Veterans, sending baby blankets to Guam, shawls to Nuremburg and care packages to Pittuffik (Bee doo Feek) Space Force Base in Greenland to help our active duty men and

women. The Southeast Chapters are serving God, Home, and Country while sparkling and holding the torch high!

#### KSDAR SE District Annual Meeting September 15, 2023

The Kansas Southeast District Meeting was called to order at 3:23 p.m. by Nancy Machnicki, District Director. Secretary/Treasurer, Pamela Hennigh was present. Invocation was offered by Barbara Bushnell, Esther Lowrey Chapter.

The Pledge of Allegiance, Preamble of the Constitution and American's Creed were led by Mrs. Machnicki and recited by the attendees. Roll Call was taken by Pamela Hennigh, Secretary/Treasurer. There were 2 officers and 11 members from 6 chapters in attendance.

State Librarian, Connie Becker, Four Winds Chapter; Community Classroom State Chairman Mary Gilpin, Oceanus Hopkins Chapter; Insignia Committee State Chairman, Colleen Anderson, Council Oak Chapter; JAC State Chairman, Donna Roberts, Four Winds Chapter; State Patriot Records Chairman, Monna Metzger, Council Oaks Chapter; and Service to America State Chairman, Susan Davis, General Edward Hand Chapter were introduced and greeted.

Minutes of the October 22, 2022, meeting were published for audit. Donita Dupslaff was added as a member of the District Asst Director. Donna Roberts moved, and Monna Metzger seconded that the minutes be approved as amended. The vote was unanimous to approve as amended. Pamela Hennigh was appointed Secretary/Treasurer for SE District January 2023; Pamela is replacing Jan Kimbrell. Susan Davis was appointed Assistant Director for SE District January 2024; Susan is replacing Donita Dupslaff.

The Treasurer's report was given by Pamela Hennigh. It was moved by Viola Patterson and seconded by Monna Metzger that the minutes be approved as presented.

Donna Roberts, Mary Foley, and Monna Metzger were elected for the 2024 nominating committee with Mary Gilpin serving as alternate. Their report is due to Director, Nancy Machnicki, by August 2024.

Bylaws have been accepted by the newly formed Regent's round Table. After much discussion the decision on the Spring decorations and favors was tabled until the next meeting.

The next meeting will be September 30, 2023, at the Dutch Country Buffett in Garnett, Kansas. The meeting will start at 10:00 and end at 12:00 noon. A buffet will be served at a cost of \$16.00 cash per person which includes coffee, tea, or juice and tips. Our State Officers will be presenting a Leadership Workshop.

Mary Foley presented a proposal for the purchase of an America 250! Plaque in honor of Sara Davis to be placed at Fairway Cemetery. She will pursue permissions and report by email.

It was moved by Leslie Stair and seconded by Viola Patterson the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Adjournment was at 4:21 p.m.

Pamela Harrington Hennigh, Secretary

### SOUTHEAST DISTRICT of the KANSAS SOCIETY'S DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION GUIDELINES

#### NAME

The name is the Southeast District of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

#### **OBJECT**

The object of this District is to expand the programs of the State and National Societies; to promote fellowship among members; to provide instruction and inspiration to members; to acquaint members with the State Officers and State Committee Chair.

#### **MEMBERS**

The members are members of Southeast District in good standing in the chapters of this district.

#### MEETINGS

The Annual Southeast District Meeting shall be held in the fall and shall be in accordance with the Bylaws of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

#### **FINANCES**

Section 1: Donations/Dues

Annual dues of \$5.00 shall be paid by each chapter in the district to the KSDAR State Remittance Form, line item SE District Dues found under State/Required. These funds shall constitute the operating budget and shall be used for postage, copying, printing and other district expenses.

#### Section 2: Southeast District Account

All surplus money from registration fees and donations or dues shall be held in the Southeast District Account to be used for district expenses or special projects.

#### Section 3: Contributions

Contributions made by the district shall be for DAR projects and must be approved at the Annual District Meeting.

#### Section 4: Registration fee

The registration fee for the annual District Meeting, not to exceed \$ may/shall be paid by all members of the District in attendance. This fee is to pay the expenses of the meeting room. State Officers and State Chair are exceptions.

#### **OFFICERS**

#### Section 1: Officers

The officers of the District are a Director, an Assistant Director and a Secretary-Treasurer.

#### Section 2: Term

The officers shall be elected for a term of three years as stated in the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution Bylaws. An officer who has served more than one-half term in a District office shall be deemed to have served a term.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

#### Section 1: Members

The Executive Committee shall include the officers of the District; the State Regent may be an ex-officio member.

#### Section 2: Duties

The Executive Committee shall direct the business of the District between Annual Meetings.

#### Section 3: Vacancies

The Executive Committee shall fill all vacancies except that of Director which is filled by the Assistant Director, until the next Annual Meeting when the vacancy for the unexpired term will be filled by the District members.

#### NOMINATIONS & ELECTION

#### Section 1: State Nominating Committee Representative

a. In the third year of an administration, a member and an alternate to represent the District on the State Nominating Committee shall be elected from the floor.

#### Section 2: District Nominating Committee

- a. A nominating committee of three members and an alternate representing different chapters, shall be elected from the floor during the second year of the administration. The chair shall be chosen by the committee.
- b. No member shall serve on two consecutive nominating committees.
- c. The nominating committee shall make its report to the District Director by August 1 of the election year.
- d. Nominations may be made from the floor if the consent of the nominee has previously been obtained.
- e. Election shall be by ballot, except where there is only one nominee for office, in which case the elections shall be by voice vote.
- f. A majority vote of those present shall constitute an election.

#### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

#### Section 1: The Director shall:

- a. Preside at the annual District Meeting.
- b. Assist the State Vice Regent with the approval of the State Regent in planning the September Meeting when the District is host.
- c. Send required notices of any pending business to the chapters of the District.
- d. Present the Chapter Regents of the District at the Chapter Regents Function during State Conferences.
- e. Oversee all other District functions as needed.

#### Section 2: The Assistant Director:

- a. Serve in the Director's absence or inability to fulfill her duties.
- b. Become Director if the office of District Director becomes vacant.
- c. Assist in any capacity requested.

#### Section 3: The Secretary-Treasurer shall:

- a. Record the minutes of the meeting and send a copy to the District Director for approval.
- b. Send an annual District Report, including all election results, to the State Regent and State Recording Secretary to be included in the Annual Report and Proceedings.

- c. Oversee all District financial matters.
- d. Assist in any capacity requested.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

The Southeast District Guidelines may be amended by majority vote of those present at the Annual Meeting, provided that they do not conflict with the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution Bylaws or Standing Rules or the Bylaws of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and provided that any such amendment has been submitted to the Southeast District Chapters, District Officers and State Regent, thirty days prior to the Annual Meeting.

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#### STANDING RULES

The annual meeting shall be held on the same day and in the same place as the Kansas State Fall Meeting.

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#### REPORTS OF CHAPTER REGENTS

#### ABILENE, Abilene

#### Stephanie Marshall, Regent

Our began by learning how Kansas pioneer women persevered in a man's world. In February, we were honored to host our state regent at the historic Seelye Mansion. For Constitution Week, we had proclamations by the mayor, the Dickinson County Commissioners, and press releases in local newspapers. In March, we awarded scholarships totaling \$2,400 for Good Citizen, Medical, and Business. We had a program on the DAR Members Course and encouraged members to complete the course. In May, we had a memorial service for our two lost Daughters, Linda Duck and Betty Noel. In June, Abilene was honored to host the luncheon for attendees of the Mamie Eisenhower Marker celebration. "National Day of Service" was observed by holding a blood drive. In November, we always visit veterans in their homes giving them a "thank you for your service" card, baked goods, and a flag lapel pin. In December, we visited the 19&52 Women Unite for Ike display at the Eisenhour Presidential Library. The display connects Ike to the 19th Amendment and women's contribution to the 1952 Presidential campaign. We purchased five wreaths and participated in Wreath Across America at the Fort Riley National Cemetery.

#### **ARTHUR BARRETT, Marysville**

Janet Zayas, Regent

Arthur Barrett Chapter's focus for 2023 was membership. Assistance from the state committee chairs of genealogy, membership and the chapter members all came together with a genealogy workshop that yielded a 59% increase in chapter membership. We tripled our Service to America goal for 2023! We had two state level winners, one in the Patriot of the American Revolution essay contest and in JAC coloring contest. We entered two parades with a vehicle bearing flags and a banner with the DAR Logo. We added DAR and Chapter Trivia to meetings to stimulate and encourage new members. Traditional activities continued with Constitution Week and three new poster boards added to the original nine in schools, libraries, a museum, a business, and a bank. Some attended the KSDAR and National Day of Praver, conducted a flag retirement ceremony for two communities, cleaned Veterans gravestones for Day of Service and gave out 29 Christmas cards to nursing home Veterans. Proclamations were made for Constitution Week and Indian Heritage. We held a DAR grave marker dedication. Contributions were made to the Indian Schools, Project Patriot, Service to Veterans and the State Regent's and President General's projects. We gave out 31 pins to Vietnam Veterans.

#### ATCHISON, Atchison

#### Donna Parish, Regent

Founded in 1908, the Atchison Chapter in Kansas celebrated its 110th anniversary on a sunny, mild, January day in 2018 with many district and state leaders in attendance. The small, but mighty, chapter of 31 members continues to be very active. Bolstered by several newish members who hit the ground running, the Atchison chapter supports veterans by honoring their graves and memorials and in support for the VA and participating in such projects as Marker Day which checked and spruced up our local DAR monuments. Support for young people is evidenced in snacks for finals week to ROTC students at Benedictine College and in support of Haskell University. We also constructed a quilt which was donated to Chemawa Indian School. The chapter has helped refurbish and maintain local memorials such as the Lewis and Clark marker and is active in the upkeep of Mt. Vernon Cemetery in Atchison, which contains the graves of most of our founders and many of our members. Chapter meetings are known for warm welcomes, for great food, for accepting companionship, and for informative programs.

#### BETTY WASHINGTON, Lawrence Kare Lyche, Regent

Betty Washington chapter members sparkled in service and enthusiasm in 2023! The chapter supported Veterans through playing bingo with Veterans, greeting returning Honor Flights, laying wreaths at Wreaths Across America Day, and participating in the local Veterans Day parade. Active-duty military at Fort Riley were given stockings for Christmas and items were provided at the State Conference for spa boxes for military women. Cadets in the Army and the Navy received ROTC medals, and the local police department got treats for First Responders Day. Books were donated to the Fall Forum. The chapter celebrated Constitution Week with a mayor's proclamation and a display for elementary school children. On Flag Day, retirement home residents received cupcakes and flag codes. The 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party was commemorated with a quiz, scavenger hunt, and a tea party. Programs enjoyed included Space Force, myths at the DAR museum, the dangers of plastics, Carol Burris and the Women's Lobby, and a visit from the State Regent! Field trips involved learning to clean headstones at the local cemetery and a visit to the Smithsonian's Voices and Votes traveling exhibit. The Betty Washington chapter welcomed four new members including two juniors.

CAPTAIN JESSE LEAVENWORTH, Leavenworth Linda Jensen, Regent In 2023, we honored Veterans by hosting Bingo at the VA, laying a wreath on Memorial Day, participating in Wreaths Across America, Welcoming home Honor Flights, sending cards to Honor Flight mail call, conducting a Vietnam Veterans pinning ceremony, the unveiling a bronze plaque honoring local servicemen killed in Vietnam and volunteering at the KC USO. We shared our sparkling smiles at all the wonderful places that Kathryn West visited, a Naturalization ceremony and the Greenwood Cemetery History Walk. We remembered and celebrated our history at a Tea Party where we had some fun dumping tea, learning fun facts about John Phillips Sousa at our Flag Day picnic, and receiving proclamations from the Leavenworth Mayor. We had the chance to get our hands dirty cleaning Three Mile Creek, and the Greenwood Cemetery cleanup day. We were represented at the State Fall Forum, State Conference, and Continental Congress. We awarded two Community Service Awards. We shared laughs with other Daughters at the Leavenworth Veterans Day Parade, while handing out over 1400 American Flags. Other activities included a wreath ceremony at the Buffalo Soldier Monument, Book Club, and the Family Search/DAR app. Keep sparking CJL, it's an honor to be your Regent.

CIMARRON RIVER VALLEY. Liberal **Stacy Cope, Regent** Cimarron River Valley Chapter started the year off with our annual celebration of George Washington's Birthday, honoring the children who were local chapter winners of the Junior American Citizens Committee. The Chapter presented Community Service Awards to JoAnn Sharp and Cory Barnett. Cimarron River Valley was incredibly pleased that our local Good Citizen Award Winner, Katie Classen, went on to win First Place at the State Level. Members of the Chapter partnered with the local chapter of Sons of the American Revolution to ride, in period costumes, on a float in the Fourth of July parade. Virginia McNitt, Chapter Chair for Constitution Week, made sure the week was celebrated with a proclamation by the city and a display at the public library. The alcoves used for displays at the library were repainted as part of our Day of Service participation. To commemorate American Indians, an informative presentation was given surrounding the art, jewelry and life of Ben Nighthorse Campbell by Willynda Holmes, Chapter Registrar. The Chapter wrapped the year celebrating the anniversary of the Boston Tea Party with period costumes at a joint fund-raising Christmas party with the local chapter of the SAR.

#### COFACHIQUE, Iola

#### Linda Johnson, Regent

Cofachique Chapter has had some very interesting programs this year presented by our own members at our monthly meeting s. They have consisted of "Marian Anderson & Four Founding Women of DAR", "Kansas in 1855", "Women Spies & Detectives" and "Historical Surprise". We displayed copies of the Constitution in local libraries, and we rang bells for Constitution Week. For "National Day of Service," we each adopted a shut-in. For "National Day of Giving," we collected needed items for an after-school program. A couple of our members remain involved with our local recycling project while others recycle their own items and contribute them to the project. Members attended local Veterans Day activities in their areas. One of our members volunteers many hours at the local elementary school by reading with first graders and cutting out laminated materials for individual teachers. It has been a good year.

#### COUNCIL OAK, Council Grove Colleen Anderson, Regent

Deborah Sampson, portrayed by Anna Smith, Topeka Chapter, told of the adventures and hardships as a woman in the Revolutionary Army. Anna wore her uniform and carried her weapon, sharing the events of Deborah's life. An oak tree was dedicated at the Council Grove Riverwalk area by State Regent, Rebecca Kline. The dedication plaque "American 250! Dedicated to Female Patriots Revolutionary War-Council Oak KSDAR". December 16, 2023, the Chapter held a community tea party. The Hall had a mast with rigging beside a dock of tea crates for the backdrop of the guest speaker, Douglas Brabb. He wore SAR clothing and tricorn from the Revolutionary War period. He shared the events leading up to the dumping of the tea and this was not the first, nor the only dumping of tea. A tea pot collection and a tea infuser collection were shared. Kaw Mission restoration and dining at the Morgan House in Peabody. A joint meeting with Emporia at Red Rock site, William Allen White home, and learning of Women's Issues with physical therapist and new entrepreneur of Cami's Cookies, were other programs.

#### COURTNEY-SPALDING, Hays Karen McCune, Regent

Our Daughters held the torch high in 2023! We sponsored students for the DAR Good Citizen and American History Essay Contests. We hosted a table at the Fort Hays State University's annual Back-to-School Picnic. Members provided treats to first responders for our Day of Service Project and completed 3 GEP/leadership courses. We sent \$160 to the Kate Duncan Smith DAR School to purchase school supplies and donated \$50 for the living tribute for Mamie Doud Eisenhower. We received a grant to continue funding Wi-Fi for the VA Outpatient Clinic in Hays. We provided feminine hygiene products to local school nurses for students in need. Members placed flags on veteran's graves, maintained the Never Forget Garden at the Wakeeney Kansas Veteran's Cemetery and donated wreaths for the Fort Dodge Post Cemetery. Our chapter presented DAR Challenge Coins to eight seniors entering the military. We presented the Hays Vietnam Veterans of American Chapter with the Honorary Partner distinction. We presented Community Service Awards to Dr. Sarah Miller and Dr. April Terry for their Bonding Through Books Program. Members donated items to veterans living at the Fort Dodge Old Soldiers Home and books and stuffed animals to the Liberate Books Project.

#### DESIRE TOBEY SEARS, Mankato Haley Popelka, Regent

The Desire Tobey Sears Chapter held various interesting programs in 2023. Some of the topics being American Indians, Historic Preservation, Veterans, American History, and proper gravestone cleaning. Members participated in Veteran's Day Parades, Wreaths Across America ceremonies, Kansas Honor Flight, and volunteered many hours and logged them into the Celebrate America! tally. Several members also attended Continental Congress and served as volunteers. The chapter was honored to have member Haley Popelka selected as 2023 Kansas Outstanding Junior as well as a National Finalist. Also, serving at the state and national level from the chapter: Retha Blecha, State Meetings Co-Chair and America 250!, National Vice Chair Celebration Grants; Haley Popelka, Literacy Promotion State Chair and Junior American Citizens South Central Division Chair; Sherry Koster, DAR Scholarship State Chair and NW District Assistant Director; Brenda Dooley, Honorary Past State Regent and Credentials Committee Continental Congress.

#### **DODGE CITY, Dodge City**

#### Katie Schmidt, Regent

We kicked off 2023 with member Kit Griffin giving us a presentation on Native American food, then we made some. In March, member Diane McElwain's son gave us a tour of Boot Hill. In May we were able to present a Dodge City HS JROTC cadet with the JROTC Bronze medal. Kalen Hahn did a presentation on pollinator gardens, and she gifted us flowers to plant our own garden. We sponsored one of the Helen Pouch Classroom grant winners, Satanta. August brought the Dodge City Days Arts & Craft show, to which we are starting to be a regular vendor, with baked goods. We had the privilege of getting a behind-the-scenes peek of the new Ford County Museum. In October we meet for our Community Service Day, cookies for our first responders. We presented seven groups of first responders in Ford and Haskell County with over ten trays of cookies. Finally, in December we ended the year with our traditional Christmas luncheon, where we gathered a collection for Fort Dodge.

#### EMPORIA, Emporia

#### Lori DeWinkler, Regent

The Emporia Chapter welcomed three new members in 2023! The chapter was proudly a part of the Veteran's Day Parade and handed out flags to the Veterans. Many hours were gladly spent in many activities: volunteering at the animal shelter, David Traylor Zoo, and Newman

Regional Medical Center; planting flowers at the senior center; reading and educating on wildlife and local water issues in classrooms; Communion set-up, teaching Sunday School, Kids' Club, and Vacation Bible School at churches; knitting hats for the domestic and child abuse center and for a youth house; visited the Genealogy Collection at the Wichita Public Library; and sang Christmas carols at a local nursing home. The Chapter is sparkling!

#### EPHRAIM BASEHOR, Basehor Jean Pinick, Regent

One of our ongoing objectives is to help our veterans. This year, we have had several opportunities to do that. In September, our chapter hosted bingo at the Leavenworth VA. Christmastime was our annual "Stockings for the Veterans" at the VA. We included veterans in the community who have no family nearby. Quilts were presented to an Iraq veteran and a 90-year-old Korean War veteran. We welcomed our Veterans home from several Honor Flights. Along with the Northeast District, we took stuffed animals and books for the Liberate Book Project, school and personal supplies to Haskell, and personal supplies to Fort Riley. Members had 991 hours of Service to America, including working at historical societies, Good Shepherd Thrift Store, churches, putting photos and historical data online, and hemming flannel blankets for newborns. We had great programs about the tiny homes being built for rental housing for emerging adults aging out of foster care and from the first woman commander of the Tonganoxie VFW and a lady from South Africa who told of her years-long experience to become a citizen. With sadness, we laid to rest member Ann Marie Rogers.

#### ESTHER LOWRY, Independence Barbara Bushnell, Regent

Esther Lowrey Chapter experienced a year of growth both through an increase in the number of members and an increase in the number of activities and community service projects. We celebrated our chapter's anniversary with an Edwardian-themed social. We participated in DAR National Service Day in October by cleaning the mausoleum where Past President General Sarah Elizabeth Guernsey is interred. We continued our support of our local Army Reserve Unit by providing snacks for their monthly weekend maneuvers and by providing a meal for them during their summer family picnic. We provided Valentine goody bags to their children in February and then goody bags in April in celebration of National Military Child month. We were one of only two chapters in Kansas to be awarded a grant from the National Project Patriot

Committee to provide a meal and gift cards to the soldiers. We sent numerous cards to veterans and to active military members. Our members celebrated Flag Day by displaying pictures of flags displayed inside or outside members' homes. Our chapter celebrated the 250th anniversary of the Boston Tea Party with a program honoring the event. We conducted genealogy workshops for prospective members and for members working on supplementals.

#### EUNICE STERLING, Wichita Mary Ayers, Regent

The Eunice Sterling Chapter welcomed three new members. One hundred sixty-seven remembrance wreaths were sponsored by our Chapter and more than 30 people attended the wreath laying and ceremony at Maple Grove Cemetery in Wichita. We awarded two Bronze JROTC medals, gave \$100 to the Kate Duncan Smith School, and \$100 to the Hindman Settlement School. Our Chapter donated \$1,000 to Passageways, a home for homeless Veterans. We donated clothing and food items for the Veterans and organized their clothes and food pantry. We participated in the National Salute to Veterans at the Dole VA and two "Last Call" Veteran ceremonies. Our Chapter partnered with the Southwest District at McConnell Air Force Base's "Trunk-or-Treat" for children of military members. We decorated a "trunk" with patriotic décor and gave treats to all the children. We also contributed several hundred dollars' worth of products and gift cards to the Haskell School at KSDAR Fall Forum. Our Chapter donated and filled baskets with clothing, essentials, and toys for service members who have had babies in the last year. Additionally, we contributed "Spa Day" items for women veterans. We recorded 2,878 volunteer hours for the year!

#### FLORES DEL SOL, Wichita Mary Jo Jurey, Regent

Our JAC contest winner placed 2nd at State level. We presented one DAR Good Citizen Scholarship Essay winner, and three DAR Good Citizens received certificates, pins and yard signs. Two JROTC medals were presented. Five members and their families took part in the Haysville 4th of July parade. For our Service Project, three members attended the Rose Hill Fall Craft Fair and provided a booth promoting DAR and assisted attendees in stamping greeting cards for active-duty military families. Karen Malcom received a KSDAR Liberty Grant for items to assist Veterans battling PTSD. The donation included books and white noise machines for the Veterans to use. Two community

members from Rose Hill received the Community Service Award for their work with the Rose Hill Fall Festival. A Constitution Week display at Rose Hill City Hall provided pocket Constitutions, US Flags, and Flag Codes, we also had a public reading of the Constitution for the community. Constitution Week Proclamations were obtained from Sedgwick County, Butler County, Rose Hill, and Wichita.

#### FORT LARNED, Larned Donna Campbell, Regent

The Fort Larned Chapter had a wonderful year. We repeated the ritual every meeting and sang the National Anthem. We added four new members. We had a great Veteran's Day starting with serving breakfast to the veterans and their families. Later a parade had Merlene Baird's car carrying veterans. On Constitution Week we celebrated with a display in the Jordann Library by Cindy Perez. We had a Chamber Coffee hour and the Mayor of Larned William Nusser signed the Proclamation declaring this week at Constitution Week. Marilyn Bell played the bells at 3:00pm. A Gold Star member and I laid a wreath at the foot of the Vietnam traveling wall in Great Bend honoring a boy who was killed in Vietnam. We attended the 9/11 Remembrance at the Veterans wall.

#### **FOUR WINDS, Garnett**

#### Connie Becker, Regent

Four Winds embarked on another year of service to God, Home, and Country while sparkling and holding the torch high! We learned from presentations given at meetings. A Kansas-born dress designer was our Woman in American History. We honored veterans three times with cards and treats, continued our HS scholarship, sponsored two Honor Flights, Wreaths Across America, Good Citizen, JAC winners, Outstanding Student of American History, American Flag award, sponsored an Indian Youth, supported Haskell Indian School, sponsored C.A.R.'s project, purchased books for the National and state libraries, purchased items for museum, collected items for Patriots, First Responders, gifted books to classrooms and prison ministry, honored, uplifted, teachers and staff at local schools, set up Constitution Week displays, gave out flags, book marks, lesson plans, volunteered, gifted DAR magazine to library, and books to Kansas kindergartners. We worked with children in the summer library program on a service project for veterans and Honor Flights. We instigated a new ongoing service project called "Operation Birthday Cake." We bag a cake mix, frosting, and birthday candles for families in need. We carry thank you cards in our purses to hand to veterans. We continue sparkling and carrying the torch into the future!

GENERAL EDWARD HAND. Ottawa Susan Davis, Regent General Edward Hand Chapter enjoyed an active 2023 starting with Honoring the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #912 with a reception to present them with pins, flags and proclamations offered through the DAR partnership with the Department of Defense. Members were honored when some Veterans also joined our Veteran's Day Float in November. A movie night showing the story of Irena Sendler and field trips were taken to Fort Scott to learn more about unsung heroes. We recognized two members with Community Service Awards and one nurse. We enjoyed activities supporting education in local schools through JAC and Constitution Week activities. The chapter also received a Proclamation from the city and rang the historic school bell at the Depot Museum. We celebrated the talents of our members with presentations on Women's Issues and Yoga, the Santa Fe Trail as well as a re-enactment of a missionary woman on the prairie. Two shipments of items were sent to Pituffik Space Base (formerly Thule) in Greenland, while local first responders once again enjoyed homemade treats from chapter members. We said goodbye to three members this year, one through death and two transfers out of state.

#### GOOD-LAND, Goodland Jane Philbrick, Regent

The Good-Land Chapter of the DAR took on several projects in 2023. Because our members represented three counties in western Kansas, we purchased several books recommended by the DAR to donate to all three public schools, Goodland, Sharon Springs, and St. Francis. These books are also available for circulating. They have proven to be quite popular. Two of our members are also Master Gardeners so they have volunteered to work on some beautification projects at the cemetery. These projects include the planting and tending of a small garden area at the WWI monument as well as planting flowers in a specially purchased planter at the Veterans area. They have also worked to extend a Main Street beautification project to the cemetery with the purchase of special planters that sit on top of the post entrance to the cemetery. These purchases were made possible by Sherman County Community Foundation grant. Every year the Chapter also purchases U.S. flags and presents them to every fourth-grade class in all three counties including the home-schooled children. These flags are accompanied by a "goody"

bag with a pencil, lapel pin and booklet of flag etiquette. Teachers have an accompanying activity.

#### ISABELLA WELDIN, Augusta Jamie Barton, Regent

What a wonderful year for the Isabella Weldin chapter, as we had five members complete the Committee Leadership Course. The Isabella Weldin Daughters spent 2023 holding fundraisers for the Wreaths Across America ceremony in December, which allowed us to cover ALL 1,500 graves at Elmwood Cemetery. We implemented a 'Servicein-Seconds' section at each meeting where chapter members participate in a service project each month. In 2023, we focused on our community classrooms, caring center, active-duty military and veterans. Several members attended Naturalization Ceremonies and welcomed new citizens. The chapter adopted a local 2nd grade classroom and purchased items from the teacher's wish list; fulfilling all the items requested. Monetary donations were given to the local VFW/American Legion for the building of the Veterans Memorial Park. One project led the chapter to purchase new planters and flowers for the local Historical Museum as a conservation initiative. Meals and goodie bags were provided to local First Responders and teachers as a thank you for their good work. Chapter members cleaned headstones at the local cemetery and donated books to meet the Service to America initiative. The Isabella Weldin Chapter continues to Sparkle in their good works for the community and beyond.

#### **JAMES ROSS. Shawnee**

#### Diane Boeger, Regent

The James Ross Chapter will be 115 years old, founded in June 1909, our chapter has enthusiastically continued the faithful mission of our founders. Our chapter has welcomed four new members with joyful welcome ceremonies. Our volunteer members have done much to promote Americanism, Community Classroom, and Constitution Week complete with bell ringing with all students at a private school in our area. Our celebration of Constitution Week was punctuated with a Proclamation by the Mayor of Shawnee. Sponsoring the NSDAR Schools is important and special to our chapter and our chapter member personally makes the deliveries. The chapter participates in programs and projects in DAR Service to Veterans. VA Bingo collections, donations to support deployed service members with Operation Uplift and Christmas Cards for Project Patriot. Our chapter delights in supporting the American Indian Committee with donations to Haskell

Indian Nations University. As begun by James Ross member, Beverly Rodgers in the 1940s, a James Ross Chapter member proudly serves as a coordinator of the Naturalization Ceremonies at the Federal Courthouse. Our chapter values the relationship we have with local SAR Chapters. New attention is being paid to our Social Media footprint with great improvements to our Facebook page.

JANE DEAN COFFEY, Coffevville Pam Sanford, Regent Our Chapter has enjoyed a variety of interesting and educational programs in 2023. Irene Crandell gave one on Kansas becoming the 34th state on January 29, 1861, and briefly talked about several Kansan's who became famous. Irene also gave one on the Oneidas and the Tuscarawas Indian tribes, both members of the Iroquois Federation. when the American Revolution started these two tribes declared their alliance to the Americans. Betty Neville's gave one on Sarah Elizabeth Mitchell Guernsey, the 10th President General of DAR. Melissa Wilmoth's program was on the "History of the Constitution, she gave a well-documented handout. Robert Johnson, a veteran of the Vietnam War, gave a very interesting program on his life and service. At our Coffeyville High School's Class of 2023 Senior Recognition Ceremony, Pam Sanford presented three \$500 Scholarships from the Jane Dean Coffey Chapter of DAR to Nicole Morse, Chanute Porter and William Smith. Betty Neville gave an informative committee report on Conservation, she told us that in 1909, DAR established its own Conservation Commission. We had several excellent reports from our Constitution, Flag, Women's Issues, and Indian Committees. Our chapter mourns the loss of a long-time member Mary Kathleen McCarter Fischer.

JOHN & HATTIE POSSUM, De Soto Deborah Price, Regent In February 2023, the John & Hattie Possum chapter celebrated the 10th anniversary of our organizing. We had a wonderful event at the Barn at Kill Creek in De Soto, KS, which featured speaker Dana Wright from KMBZ radio who shared about "My Legacy Recording." In May, we presented a Community Service Award to De Soto citizen, Kathy Ross, for all her hard work and dedication to the De Soto community. We also enjoyed a variety of interesting programs including a visit by KSDAR State Regent, Rebecca Kline; two presentations by member, Dee Clark - one on how she helped a Vietnam veteran get his medals (this amazing story was covered by KCTV5 and KMBC) and the other was on the

history of Barbie; a presentation by Marisel Walston who emigrated from Cuba as a child; we learned how to cook for different diets from chef, Rachel Ciordas; and in December, we honored two DAR Good Citizens. One of our chapter winners, Olivia Peters, won the KSDAR Good Citizen award! Our chapter was thrilled to exceed our 900 hour 2023 Service to America goal by achieving over 3500 hours, way to go Possums!

#### JOHN ATHEY, Oakley

#### Cheryl Goetz, Regent

John Athey began their 2023 year with the following meetings: March 22, Prairie Museum of Art and History in Colby; April 26, Leona Feldt's home in Hoxie, where Xavier Beran, a highway patrolman discussed driving safely and when we might need to give up our driver's license. June 28 was a planning meeting at the Jay Johnson Public Library in Quinter; September 27, we met for our meeting at the library in Scott City. After lunch, we toured the El Quartelejo Museum in Scott City. October 26, our last meeting of the year was held in Nicodemus, KS. We met at Ernestine's, and had a wonderful meal cooked by Angela Bates, Ernestine's niece. Following lunch, Angela took us on a driving tour of Nicodemus and then the Visitor's Center where we viewed a film about the founding of Nicodemus. Two John Athey members attended the Spring Convention in Wichita. Reports given at each John Athey DAR meetings are: National Defense, Indian Minute, American Heritage, U.S. Flag Fact, American History, President General's Message, Public Relations, Service to Veterans, Constitution Minute, Conservation Minute, and Women's Issues. We donated seven wreaths for Wreaths Across America for the WaKeeney Veteran's Cemetery.

#### JOHN HAUPT, Topeka

#### Susan Kramer, Regent

It was a year to sparkle and serve. Programs about the Panama Canal, President General Sarah Guernsey, Yellowstone National Park, and a talk by the Valley Falls police chief kept us informed. We bought coffee and gift cards for ladies in the LEAD program. We toured the Dole Institute and a log cabin that we sponsored for historical preservation grant. For our Day of Service, we cleaned displays at the Valley Falls Historical Museum. We donated children's books to two libraries and a meat and cheese tray and other items to the VA, where we took and served food at their Christmas Tea. Members attended the State Conference and Fall Forum and three graduated from the Committee Leader course. We made goodie bags and cookies for teachers at two

elementary schools. Members set up Constitution Week displays at four area libraries and a football game. Two mayors signed proclamations. Members logged hours working at Clothes Closet, volunteering at 4-H clubs and visiting seniors and assisting visiting nurses. We sent baby blankets overseas. The chapter presented a Community Service Award to a couple who do amazing work in their community.

#### JONATHAN GILBERT, LaCrosse Susan Keith, Regent

The Jonathan Gilbert chapter of the KSDAR continued to "sparkle" in 2023! The highlight of our year was presenting the Historical Preservation Award to Mr. Lawrence Erbes of the Rush County Historical Society in LaCrosse, Kansas. A ceremony and reception were held for the presentation in the museum complex. State Historian, Sherrie Smith, was in attendance along with Jonathan Gilbert chapter members, Rush County Museum board members, family, friends, and community members. As a follow-up to this event in October, our chapter had a private tour of the museum complex as our program. Other sparkling highlights of our year included our Regent, Susan Keith, serving as the piano accompanist for the State Conference in April. Susan was honored to serve on the KSDAR music committee, helping with presentations at the Fall Forum. Other chapter highlights included our members assisting with the 50th anniversary year celebration of the movie "Paper Moon" at four events. We also had a great showing of members, veterans, community members, and school children assist with our Wreaths Across America ceremony. We enjoyed our Christmas party with a luncheon, cookie/gingerbread house decoration, and a gift exchange to end our year.

#### KANZA, St. John Jean Harrison, Regent

Kanza Chapter spent 2023 sparkling to acquire members by holding a genealogy workshop at the Pratt, KS public library in July 2023. We had five attendees and four prospective members showing proven patriots and now gathering their documents. Our most memorable event was a Christmas stocking member gathering to make stockings for Fort Riley Army Base active-duty soldiers; 30 sent in all. Kanza Chapter participated in Constitution Week and Bells Across America. To celebrate Flag Day, members gathered at Leisure Care Home in Stafford, Kansas to present a program including donating a new flag for the home to fly and small flags were given to residents. A quilt, made by our member quilter, was presented as a Quilt of Valor to a local

veteran at the Stafford High School Veterans Day program. Stafford County Good Citizens winners were rewarded at our May Awards ceremony with parents of winners and school sponsors present. Kanza Chapter's other service projects include sending care packages to military personnel, donating funds to the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany and to the Kansas Soldiers Home in Dodge City, KS. Our members donate volunteer time toward service hours.

LITTLE ARKANSAS, Valley Center Patricia Robidou, Regent The Little Arkansas Chapter sparkled this year through involvement in the community with children, veterans, and women. With children we celebrated all year by donating books to libraries and candy for a Trickor-Treat event at McConnell AFB. Good Citizen awards were presented to Marine ROTC students. Members helped C.A.R. kids build bat houses and clean headstones and volunteered at various schools. Vici Myers from McAdams Academy was awarded the Community Classroom Legacy Grant of five thousand dollars. Members honored Veterans by attending Honor Flights, sending holiday cards, and handing out pins at a Vietnam Veterans Day event. We celebrated our Women Veterans with a luncheon on Women's Veterans Day. We participated in Wreaths Across America in five cemeteries with help from Scouts and local community leaders. In our community, we collected personal supplies for a women's shelter and numerous aprons were sewn and donated to a local nursing home. Books were donated to the Valley Center Library, the Fall Forum project, and several other schools. Local Librarians celebrated by presenting them with bags of goodies. Our annual trip was to Fort Scott to the National Fort Historical Site, Lowell Milken Center, and the Fort Scott National Cemetery.

# MARAIS DES CYGNES, Paola Pamela Hennigh, Regent Marais des Cygnes Chapter has worked hard in this year of transition to maintain the positive aspects of our chapter and grow in DAR Spirit. The chapter has installed several new members this year. Two Chapter Scholarships in the amount of \$500 each were given to graduating seniors. Community awareness was achieved with participation in two local parades and the Freedom Festival Historical Reenactment. Many hours were spent working with grade school children on Constitution Week and Veterans Day activities, as well as a Reading Celebration where each student chose three books to add to their personal Library. Our military were honored with three projects this year with 50 paracord

bracelets, 11 purses full of toiletries for hospitalized female soldiers, and 200 holiday greeting cards with "Thank You for Your Service" bookmarks enclosed being sent to Fort Riley USO to be distributed to the active-duty troops. Our chapter supports historic preservation with three members holding positions at the Miami County Museum. For our December program videos were made by members displaying and telling stories of their family heirlooms for the Museum website.

MARTHA LOVING FERRELL, Wichita Linda King, Regent Our chapter had a busy 2023. Debra Hollis facilitated projects with the Dole VA Hospital including working with a company to place a patriotic cover for the "Flag Retirement" box and selecting, purchasing, and delivering items for the Christmas Ditty Bags. Phyllis Schanbacher scheduled members to meet the four incoming Honor Flights. We presented each of the 400 veterans with a U.S. Flag. Phyllis also managed chapter projects for McConnell AFB. This included: completing over 70 "Hero Dolls," which airmen with children, who are being deployed can give to their children. We made 423 "pocket prayer quilts" with inspirational message to be given to airmen and 420 signed greeting cards to be provided to airmen. Members operated a booth at the "McConnell Fun Day" for deployed personnel children. Members attended the JROTC medal presentation which our chapter provides a medal to assigned school; attended the interment ceremony for WWII MIA whose remains had recently been identified and returned to Wichita and placed beside his parents; participated in "Wreaths Across America" where members donated and placed Christmas wreaths at veterans' graves at Maple Grove Cemetery in Wichita; and a Garage Sale was held to provide funds for chapter projects.

#### MARTHA VAIL, Anthony Deniese Fawcett, Regent

Martha Vail is still sparkling in our communities of Harper County. We collected many needed clothing items for the Kansas Soldiers Home with some reading material and personal items. Our daughters also sent Christmas cards with notes of appreciation to our sailors aboard the USS Topeka in the Pacific. We gave a Community Service award to one of our sisters, Karen Younce, who started baby reading time at the Anthony Library for children under two-years-old to promote literacy in young children. Our ladies also donated patriotic books to all the elementary schools in Harper County. Martha Vail also had the pleasure of hosting our State Regent in May.

#### MARY DRAPER, Wichita

Valerie Bothell, Regent

The Mary Draper Chapter hosted educational programs: learning how to restore photos and the importance of heirloom quilt appraisals. Several programs focused on Woman's Issue's: a police officer giving tips on personal safety and the Women's Veterans of Kansas came to share what women face while serving in the military. Six Quilts of Valor were awarded, 44 fleece blankets were donated to the VA, and a donation was made to Kansas Honor Flight to send one veteran on a trip. The chapter participated in Wreaths Across America, laying 325 wreaths in Resurrection Cemetery. One member won third place in the American Heritage contest for a music composition. A \$500 grant was awarded from DeVaughn James, and the regent was interviewed by KAKE TV which aired April 23, 2023. A grave marking/wreath laying ceremony for patriot, Colby Creed, was done in a joint effort with SAR. The chapter participated in a district service project, serving over 1700 children at the Trunk-or-Treat event at McConnell AFB. There was an initiative by the regent to memorize the Preamble to the Constitution, members participated in the book club, and 2001 service hours were recorded by members.

#### MARY WADE STROTHER, Salina Janet Schmidt, Regent

Members exceeded our Service to America Hours goal. Welcome Home Medals were presented to Vietnam Veterans; items were donated to the SPA Service Project for Military Wives; Library Appreciation Day we presented 44 bags of goodies to library staff; the gravestone of our chapter's founder was dedicated; graves of 12 regents were flagged; luncheon was held for prospective members; Veterans living at Presbyterian Manor were honored with thank you medals, and patriotic bags filled with a small flag and goodies. Veterans shared memories of their military life. Members attended NE District Day of Prayer. At the Fall Forum in Hays, we donated several boxes of books for the literacy project. Constitution Week posters were placed around town, cards with the Preamble were handed out one day at the public library, and bells were rung at 3:00pm on Sunday. Day of Service sheet music, over 100vears-old, was indexed. In December, we baked cookies, packed them in tins, and delivered them to local rest homes. For the December program we made period Christmas Ornaments. They turned out quite beautifully. We lost two members Sharon Hamilton and Luetta Smithhisler; we gained two Sharon Wiesen and Kail Clatterbuck.

#### MISSION HILLS, Overland Park Lou Ann Preston, Regent

Fourteen new members joined Mission Hills Chapter, including one Junior. American History essay contest winner Harrison Fink, fifth grade, won first place at the state level. Ada Robinson and Brendan Samartino were the chapter 5th and 6th grade winners for 2023. Our first Outstanding Women in American History Award was presented to Honorary Vice President General Mary Bannister Frisch and our Outstanding Junior Award went to Whitney Preston Henson. Memorial and Patriot Memorial services were conducted. We provided donations to veterans for bingo parties, winter coats, plants for their garden, gift bags for women veterans and distributed 500 postcards to Vietnam veterans. Members participated in Wreaths Across America and a Veterans Day parade. Books and cash donations of \$550 were made to Haskell Indian Nations University and an Indian reservation school. Historic preservation funds, cards and friendship bracelets supported Maui wildfire victims. Members read with students and donated \$1000 for preschool center books. Snacks for teachers and behavioral incentives supported schools. Member donations supported active military, with prayer patriots, spa box goods, holiday stockings, snacks, and Each State Sparkles project that covered daycare expenses, more than \$19,000, for military families. Lunches and a commemorative tea party celebrated member friendships.

#### MOLLY FOSTER BERRY, Fort Scott Barbara Ritter, Regent

The chapter participated in the annual Good Old Days parade in Fort Scott and passed out 100 flags. National Fort fundraising effort continues by purchasing a flag that will be displayed in front of the chapter room during major holidays. Members participated in the Naturalization Ceremony at the Fort, handing out 150 flags and programs to new citizens and their guests. We became a Wreaths Across America Partner and purchased 57 wreaths for placement. The chapter helped place wreaths in November and in January to remove them. Member Jean Strader, an accomplished dulcimer player, gave a program on the history of the mountain dulcimer, an American Instrument, and gave a performance. We hosted a genealogy workshop in October, resulting in five potential new members. We have collected and sent 50 books to active-duty and veterans through Operation Paperback. Delivered 22 patriotic cards and flowers to our veterans in residential homes for Veterans' Day. We hosted speaker Kathy Dancer on the history of the Scottish Rite Temple in Fort Scott, which the Dancers have purchased and are restoring. We closed out the year with a Christmas dinner and assemblage and delivery of 22 Christmas bags for our veterans in residential homes.

NATHAN EDSON, Clay Center Jeanna Walters-Fancella, Regent Nathan Edson Chapter continued to exceed their Service to America goal with 4,258 hours. The chapter was extremely active throughout the year: two Community Service Awards were presented, and a Kansas Humanities Program on American Fashion was hosted. The chapter continued to support 4H achievements, flags and bookmarks were given to elementary schools, 1,300 Veterans were honored during the seventh year of Wreaths Across America; parade participation for Veteran's Day; Constitution Week activities and displays; Quilts of Valor presented; soldiers remembered with care packages; American History Essay Contest and DAR Good Citizen participants were recognized; pollinator gardens continue; American Indian activities observed; DAR Day of Service honored nursing home Veterans with cards and holiday decorations; Women's Issues were shared; challenge coins presented to military bound graduates, members participated in Junior Firefly 5K; two Walk Kansas teams were formed for Women's Issues and members walked 1.662 miles: literacy continued to be a chapter focus. Three new projects were started: making birthday bags for CASA, collecting Stamps for the Wounded, and forming a Red Hat Brigade recognizing youth who participate in Wreaths Across America. Nathan Edson proudly celebrates Service and Friendship through Patriotism, Education and Historic Preservation.

#### **NEWTON, Newton**

#### Debra Eaves, Regent

Newton Chapter members sparkled by focusing on service projects and celebrating the addition of three new members. The chapter honored America 250! and the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party with a celebration luncheon. Guests included a prospective member and Uvedale Chapter officers. Luncheon attendees received a personalized Christmas ornament with their patriot's name. Attendees donated 162 pairs of socks for male and female veterans at the Dole VA. Members gathered for Day of Service to make fleece blankets and comfort care items for female cancer patients at the Newton Cancer Center. Books were donated to the Bonding Through Books and Liberate Books Projects, the NSDAR Library and the Wichita ALL. One hundred and nine Valentine treat bags were assembled for "Show Our Military Some

Love" and 250 holiday cards were signed for military members. Members donated 172 pounds of food to the Lord's Pantry and collected school supplies and holiday gifts for EmberHope Youthville students. Donations were collected throughout the year to support veterans at the Dole VA. Constitution Week featured displays and proclamations from three cities. Members enjoyed attending the rededication of Mamie Eisenhower's grave marking in Abilene. As a living tribute, the chapter purchased a tree for the Eisenhower grounds.

#### OCEANUS HOPKINS, Pittsburg Jane Fletcher, Regent

The Oceanus Hopkins Chapter welcomed four new members, including two junior members. Our many service projects included: "Cookies for Cops", members baked and donated Valentine's Day cookies to first responders; folding pocket flags that were given to deploying National Guard soldiers. Members donated and filled 52 snack bags for veterans and their escorts to enjoy while they attended the Honor Flight; signed and mailed 250 thank you cards to Robert J Dole VA.; ten deployed military sailors aboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt were adopted, members donated, packed and mailed care packages for each holiday. During Constitution Week, a Proclamation was given to the chapter by the Mayor of Pittsburg, 250 Constitution packets were given to middle and high school students in Girard, Cherokee, Parsons, and Pittsburg schools. Books were read to the Kindergarten students about Constitution Week and Flag Day, flags were given to students along with bells they rang; a Flag Day coloring contest was held with winners from each class receiving a certificate. We participated in the Girard American Legion Flag Retirement Ceremony by giving Flag Day cards with an American flag pin; we provided 1,000 Wreaths for the Fort Scott National Cemetery through Wreaths Across America, including placing and removal of the wreaths.

#### **OLATHE**, Olathe

#### Melissa Precht, Regent

The Olathe Chapter SPARKLED in service by contributing 5,015 hours of service in a variety of projects, including a state officer and three state committee chairs. Two juniors were among the chapter's ten new members. Members supported education by collecting blankets and stuffed animals for homeless children in Olathe schools, recognizing three DAR Good Citizens, donating supplies to Haskell Indian Nations University, and supporting the Olathe Library's Novel Tea scholarship fundraiser. New member, Katie Howe, organized donations to the

Kansas State School for the Deaf as her Members Course project. On the Day of Service, members cleaned the Civil War Soldier statue and planted grass seed at Olathe Memorial Cemetery. Shelley Vittorino received the Community Service Award for her extensive contributions to Girl Scout and Cub Scout troops. In support of veterans, members laid wreaths at Leavenworth National Cemetery, placed flags at Olathe Memorial Cemetery for Memorial Day, collected donations for the VA in Leavenworth, welcomed home Honor Flights, participated in a Veterans Day parade, and hosted a Veterans Luncheon with a program presented by a former Navy SEAL and Kansas native, Doug Bedford. Olathe Daughters are proud to Hold the Torch High for KSDAR!

#### POLLY OGDEN, Manhattan

Sara Larson, Regent

Polly Ogden Daughters sparkled in 2023. Multiple members served in capacities of the National Executive Board of Management, National Committees, State Officers, State Committees and serving our community. Our chapter members celebrated many commemorative events with member, Laura Renfro State Corresponding Secretary, marching in the National Independence Day parade with other NSDARs in Washington DC. Our chapter celebrated the Boston Tea Party 250th anniversary by having a presentation, drinking tea and making tea bags to be served at the Wreaths Across America event that also fell on the 250th anniversary. Polly Ogden joined forces and held a district National Day of Prayer service where cards and goodies were collected for the Museum and Development Offices at NSDAR headquarters, as well as a set for the President General Pamela Wright. Locally our chapter participated in our Veteran's Day Parade in Manhattan, Kansas, and continued our support for our women veterans by collecting newborn baby items for new veteran mothers. The chapter also awarded two scholarships to two current students at KSU. We look forward to continuing to shine into the coming year.

#### PRAIRIE FLINT HILLS, Dover Lisa Hinterweger, Regent

In 2023, the Prairie Flint Hills Daughters continued to focus on chapter growth and service. We added one new member, but unfortunately two members did not renew, and one member passed away. Three members attended Continental Congress, including our chapter's Outstanding Junior Member, Addison Hinterweger, who served as a page for the Congress Herald. She also won a first place American Heritage Award, as well as the Evelyn Cole Peters Award for photography. The chapter

also had representation at the 2023 Fall Forum. Service projects included planting flowers at a local cemetery in preparation for Memorial Day and doing a large clean-up at the Curtis Family Cemetery in Topeka. The chapter sponsored its second dinner for the local VA PTSD support group, handed out pocket soldiers, and sent cards to local VA patients. A medal was also presented to a local Junior ROTC cadet. Members actively volunteered in their local communities, schools, and churches. A variety of excellent monthly programs were presented to promote Historic Preservation, Education, and Patriotism. Displays and posters were placed in our communities and schools for Constitution Week. The chapter book club continued to meet. Membership and service will continue to be the focus in 2024.

#### PRAIRIE ROSE, Overland Park Jennifer Hunter, Regent

The Prairie Rose Chapter continued to shine brightly as they celebrated Constitution Week with a fun Constitution guiz. Our newsletter kept members near and far connected with various announcements and reports. Venmo continued to be a hit with more members using that option when paying their dues. Prairie Rose continued their amazing work by handing out 285 New Citizen Flag Code booklets and Pledge of Allegiance cards to new citizens at Naturalization. Members also thanked Vietnam veterans for their service including giving out recognition pins, certificates, besides thanking all Veterans. We held a sock drive for the Leavenworth VA and donated 214 pairs of socks. Several members marched in the Veterans' Day parade in Leavenworth, Kansas while passing out over 100 flags. Two hundred hand knitted hats with thank you cards were given to various military and veterans organizations. Wreaths Across America continued to be a success as we strive to honor Veterans. Christmas cards were sent to Operation Gratitude. The chapter participated in the National DAR Day of Service, awarded a DAR Good Citizen, and a Community Service award. Our chapter continued to sparkle thanks to our present and future members.

#### QUIVIRA CROSSING, Lenexa Katana Ewbank, Regent

The Quivira Crossing Chapter 2023 was one of growth and new challenges. The past year saw us welcome eight new Daughters to our chapter, including the foundation of our newly growing junior member base. We were also happy to say that we had a page representing the chapter at the state meeting and Continental Congress for the first time in 20 years. The chapter had programs focused on commemorative

events, including a field trip to the Truman Presidential Library. Throughout the year, members supported our veterans and the introduction of a bi-monthly Hero Box effort supporting active-duty military members. The chapter attended the Fall Forum, now with two pages, gave generously to the students at Haskell Indian Nations University and continued with our ongoing conservation practices with no disposable plates/cups being used at our monthly meetings. The crowning jewel of the year for this regent was our Project Patriot grant program that saw the ladies assembling 400 holiday stockings for men, women and children distributed through the newly established USO at the Kansas City International Airport from Thanksgiving through the end of the year. It was the perfect way to cap off 2023 and create excitement for the year to come.

#### RANDOLPH LOVING, Wichita Angelique Reilly, Regent

Randolph Loving Chapter had a rewarding year spent in service, learning and fellowship sharing the Legacy of Liberty with the community. Seven new members were welcomed into the chapter. Members logged over 5,500 hours including stuffing and handing out over 1400 treat bags for a Trunk-or-Treat event at McConnell AFB, packaging hundreds of wildflower seed packets, personal hygiene drives, sewing baby blankets, cleaning headstones, and laying wreaths for Wreaths Across America. Members participated in Kansas Honor Flights, mentored elementary school students, organized educational displays for Constitution Week and the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party. Veterans were honored during a Constitution Party for residents of a long-term care facility, thank you notes, holiday cards and corsages/boutonnieres were made and distributed. The Quilting Circle made and presented Quilts of Valor to Veterans. Programs were held on the Eisenhower Presential Library, Bagpipes in the Revolutionary War, and the First Ladies. Fellowship was had by all during crafting sessions, sewing sessions, a bus trip to the Eisenhower Presidential Museum, service projects and monthly meetings. Randolph Loving wrapped up the year with a Merry Member Celebration honoring the work of the amazing women in the chapter throughout 2023.

#### SAGAMORE, Leawood

#### Jaculin Aaron, Regent

Sagamore Chapter held a ceremony to honor Gary Swanson who was awarded the DAR Medal of Honor for his extraordinary service to veterans. The city of Leawood issued a proclamation in his honor, and officials from the city and the state attended, along with veterans and KSDAR officers. The chapter contributed \$500 for a veteran scholarship in a program Mr. Swanson helped establish. We held a pinning ceremony for 21 Vietnam veterans. The chapter participated in four Honor Flights, hosted Bingo at the VA, and funded repair costs for bicycles at the VA; overall, we gave more than \$2,200 to support veterans. Members sponsored or obtained sponsorships for 160 wreaths. We adopted a unit deployed abroad and donated more than \$1,500 in support of active duty military. Sagamore gave \$750 for the Sumner Academy debate team travel budget, and members donated supplies for Haskell students. The chapter had five JAC entrants, two of whom placed first and second at national. We held a Flag Day picnic and a holiday silent auction, which raised almost \$2,000. We have ten new members. Members logged 4,353 Service to America hours and completed 21 GEP courses and three leadership training courses.

SAMUEL LINSCOTT, Holton Dorothy Be Dunnah, Regent In October 2023, we set up a booth at the Fall Festival in Holton, Kansas and visited with several people about possible membership. We also handed out Thank You cards for people to fill out for Veterans and to give to them on November 11th. Our chapter received a Master Report Committee Red Ribbon Award at the Fall Forum in Hays, Kansas. Several of our ladies attended the Mamie Eisenhower Awards Ceremony in Abilene, Kansas. We located the historical DAR marker at Whitecloud, Kansas and found it to be in good shape. We have adopted the Thompson-Burns Cemetery in Muscotah cemetery zone which no one wanted to be responsible for. There are 48 people buried there including one Civil War Veteran. In early spring of 2024, we met at the cemetery and cleaned stones, cut down weeds and small tree saplings, mowed, and prepared it for Memorial Day viewing. We had one member attend Continental Congress in July.

SARAH STEWARD, Smith Center Lillian Snodgrass, Regent Sarah Steward has had a challenging, busy and productive year. We have worked hard to meet the challenge goal of getting four new members before 2024. We had some Zoom meetings so our away members could participate. One member gave a Constitution Week presentation to the fourth and fifth grade classes in our local school. We had a booth at the Lebanon Bash where we handed out DAR materials and copies of the Constitution. We had entries in parades in three

different locations this fall. We sent trays of cookies to our city and county police departments, EMS Department and city street employees in appreciation for their services. We provided treat bags to two libraries in honor of Librarian's Day. Our chapter remembers our veterans with Christmas and birthday cards each year. We have two WWII veterans who are over 100 years of age. We had entries from two schools for our DAR Good Citizens Essay Contest and awarded scholarship money. Our chapter was pleased to give a Community Service Award to a very deserving candidate this year. Sarah Steward is growing and showing our SPARKLE in service to America.

SHAWNEE MISSION, Shawnee Mission Leslie Harris, Regent Shawnee Mission Chapter cultivated members with numerous service projects by and for members, to include hand delivery of May Day flowers to house-bound members. Chapter activities in and around the community included: support to a Title 1 school's food pantry, literacy, US Constitution Week, and teacher appreciation needs, as well as workdays at Heart to Heart, International and Harvesters Food Bank, support to Armed Forces Day, honoring veterans touched by war with Quilts of Valor presentations and Vietnam War commemorative pins, Shawnee Days Parade and Leavenworth Veterans Day Parade, USO support, and US Flag retirement events. Members were recognized at meetings with Regent charms that expanded the KSDAR Membership Committee's "Sparkler" initiative of recognition. Recycling and Never Forget Garden activities continued through 2023, and members focused on preserving America's art and artisans with a donation to the DAR Museum in honor of Dr. Susan Metzger, NSDAR Curator General, the presentation of which took place during a district wide open meeting the chapter hosted for her museum program presentation. Material support continued through the year to veterans at Eisenhower VA MC, and in support of students at Haskell Indian Nations University.

#### SMOKY HILL, Ellsworth

#### Debra Hulse, Regent

Smoky Hill Chapter sparkled throughout 2023. Our members were involved in activities meeting the goals of Historic Preservation, Education, and Patriotism. Members helped the Ellsworth Kansas Historical Society finish the Lawyer Room in the Hodgen House at the museum, purchased a brick to support the preservation of the Wilson Opera House, cleaned gravestones, and one member attended four National Revolutionary War Patriot grave marking events. We honored

a deceased member by marking her grave. Members participated in Constitution Week by visiting schools, involving students in the Bells Across America program with each receiving bells to ring, and 128 Constitution Week Packets were distributed. Displays were placed in public libraries for Constitution Week and Veterans Day. For Service to America Day, members volunteered at schools reading stories, helping teachers, and working at a schoolbook fair. Members showed patriotism by attending Independence and Veterans Day parades, Memorial Day Services, placing wreaths on graves, donating to and attending Veterans' Story Nights, and celebrating the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party. Smoky Hill Chapter honored Alice Robson with a Community Service Award and supported the Sylvan Grove Senior Center through a DAR Grant for Historic Preservation.

SUSANNAH FRENCH PUTNEY, El Dorado Teresa Bachman, Regent We started 2023 off with a bang raffling a donated, framed print that garnered more than \$300 for our General Fund. Organizing a tea for prospective members with china, lace, flowers, cheesecake, and tea, we reached our goal for the Sparkle Challenge plus one. Our March chapter meeting was held in Eureka where we had lunch and toured the Greenwood County Historical Society. Our American History Essay winner was chosen as a runner up for State. Our chapter facilitated a quilt show and bake sale honoring a local artist/DAR member by restoring and exhibiting her award-winning quilts. During Constitution Week and Ringing the Bells, we placed displays around town. Bringing back catered meals at our meetings has boosted attendance by 15%. We fundraised for Wreaths Across America and members volunteered to place wreaths at gravesites. Snacks were delivered to El Dorado and Eureka firefighters. We wrapped more than 600 hot dogs, participated in "Women on the Homefront" exhibit, along with having a DAR info table and kid's activities in the park for Veteran's Day. Our chapter donated funds and signed Christmas cards for veterans, and we presented an award and check to DAR Good Citizen essay winner.

## THREE TRAILS WEST, Stilwell In 2023, the chapter "Sparkled"! Two Women in American History were added to Women in American History list. At the Stilwell 4th of July Celebration, America 250! information and flags were distributed. American Heritage held a sunflower drawing/painting workshop. Funds were sent to Hindman Settlement School, Haskell, Chemawa, and Safehome. In five Blue Valley schools, libraries had displays set up by

our Constitution Week chair. Literacy excelled in donating 4,024 books from chapter donations. Project Patriot donated \$4,092 in goods, made Christmas stockings, Pocket Hugs, supported National Guard families, mailed 14 care packages and Valentine, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas cards. Members attended SAR events such as Honor Flights, Retirement Flag Ceremony and George Washington Birthday Celebration. Twice we hosted BINGO for Veterans. We assisted C.A.R. in setup and coordination of a breakfast bar at the Northeast District workshop. In November, we were honored to have State Regent, Rebecca Kline, speak to the chapter. Members participated in the Leavenworth Veterans Parade and the laying of a wreath at the Buffalo Soldier's Monument and attending the Wreaths Across America ceremony. Christmas ornaments were made from recycled athletic medals with Patriot and America 250! stickers and holiday ribbon.

#### TOMAHAWK, Prairie Village Susan Cowan, Regent

Tomahawk members were generous in donations of time and money, including a fall clean-up of Tomahawk Cemetery, sending personal care items to a women's shelter and Fort Riley, holiday gift cards for military, Wreaths Across America, funds to plant 100 trees in national parks, 291 books to Hands to Hearts and 288 pairs of socks plus cravons for Kate Duncan Smith School. The chapter also donated a recordbreaking 1,583 laundry pods, 1,068 dryer sheets and other personal care items to Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, KS. With a little help from friends such as Mayor Curt Skoog, State Vice Regent Denise Bullock, Honorary Vice President General Mary Frisch and Kathryn Walker West, Past Corresponding Secretary General, Tomahawk held three ceremonies to present Vietnam Veteran lapel pins to 77 deserving veterans at Tallgrass Senior Living in Overland Park, KS. The DAR Distinguished Citizen Medal was presented to the principals of WarHorses for Veterans, a favorite organization of the chapter focused on helping veterans and first responders with PTSD. The chapter enjoyed inspiring programs by Healing Waters, Justice Sarah Warner, a field trip to the newly renovated Truman Library.

#### TOPEKA, Topeka

#### Gavla Hovt, Regent

Topeka Chapter members attended the State Conference, Continental Congress, Fall Forum, and NE District Workshop. The 56th tree was planted on Washburn University Campus since the 1967 tornado. Members completed Members Course and GEP classes. Members

logged 7,532 Service to America hours, doubling our goal! Sixty-one members have subscriptions to the American Spirit magazine. Topeka Chapter gifts each new member a one year's subscription. Kansas State Historical Society and Washburn University's Mabee Library receive annual subscriptions. Members enjoyed programs on Nelly Don, Combat Air Museum, Boston Tea Party, War of 1812, and K.S.C.A.R. State President's project. One member portraved her ancestor Henritta Smith while another member and her husband portrayed William and Alice Bradford. Members played a "getting acquainted" game. Veteran's needs were supported. Cards were signed and sent to active military and members who cannot attend meetings. Two Community Service awards and two JROTC medals were given. Members enjoyed the winners of the American History Essay and the Good Citizen contests. Topeka Chapter gained 19 new members with no AIRs, four were juniors and one a reinstatement. Two members resigned. Two members were lost to death. Topeka Chapter has 124 members.

#### **UVEDALE**, Hutchinson

#### Shawna Shafer, Regent

Uvedale Chapter DAR is looking more vibrant every year as we Sparkle in Service. We have made so many new friends this year, and we have had to say goodbye to a few others. We have rekindled old friendships with the SAR Chapter nearest to us, and together we have been living the phrase "teamwork makes the dream work" as we participate together in parades and celebrations, and bonding over our love of God, home, and country. We made ourselves useful this year by making "Quilts of Valor", making jelly, and giving 100% of the money to support Veterans to obtain medical care or equipment they might need. Our chapter may be small, but it is mighty. We look forward to serving our neighbors this upcoming year!

WHERE THE TRAIL DIVIDES, Gardner Mary Foley, Regent Our chapter had a busy year in 2023. We helped cleanup of Gardner Greenway Corridor; presented Hope Market a Community Service Award; put flags on section markers and Vietnam Veterans' graves for National Day of Prayer in May; partnered with VFW Post 11234 for the third annual Flag Retirement Ceremony; hosted 4th of July fireworks display in Racket, MO; one member presented her brother with her own designed Quilt of Valor for his service in Vietnam; attended Mamie Eisenhower memorial service; presented nurses with survival kits; police officers with survival kits for National Day of Service in October;

VFW veterans with survival kits for Veterans' Day; presented 6,000 kits containing Proclamations, Pledge of Allegiance Cards, and Preamble bookmarks and set up 11 displays; presented students with certificates for their assistance in setting up the displays for Constitution Week; ten baby blankets to Guam and eight prayer shawls to Nuremburg, Germany; six wreaths on the Gardner Cemetery gates for Wreaths Across America; fruit/nut baskets for the first responders in Gardner; five pounds of pop tabs to Ronald McDonald House; 1,217 stamps to the Postal History Foundation. We continue to promote historic preservation, education, and patriotism.

#### WICHITA, Wichita Melynda Sutherland, Regent

Wichita Chapter held the torch high for the stars and stripes! We enjoyed having a JAG from Wichita McConnell Air Force Base speak to our chapter and honored her with a donation to Honor Flight. We gathered and filled stockings with Christmas treats for servicemen and women at Fort Riley then took treats to first responders at several local firehouses. We helped a postpartum vet with donations for formula and diapers. Christmas gifts for the veteran patients at Bob Dole Hospital were given and included toiletries, socks, gloves, hats, sweatshirts, and paperbacks. A chapter member who is an honorary commander at McConnell Air Force Base spoke to us about national defense. We enjoyed a speaker from Quilts of Valor and marveled over the beautifully made and generously donated quilts to veterans. In the schools, gift cards were donated to teachers and pies were donated to teachers at Thanksgiving. Our year was full and our blessings many. Stars and Stripes forever!

#### WILLIAM WILSON, Garden City Marian Nolan, Regent

To begin a successful 2023, William Wilson Chapter welcomed Daughters from across the state to their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on 28 January. Jerry Thomas, renowned artist, historian, and collector from Scott City, was presented with the highest medal from NSDAR, the Historic Preservation Medal. A total of 45 Vietnam Veteran lapel pins were presented to area veterans. Quilts of Valor members donated 51 quilts to veterans. DAR Challenge coins were given to area graduating seniors who had enlisted in the military. We began to commemorate events of the Revolutionary War by matching events to our meeting dates. In September, the chapter assisted in the commemoration of the 145<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Punished Woman's Fork in Scott County.

The Northern Cheyenne Nation became a sister nation/city with Scott City, Kansas. In October, nine members and two HODARs attended the send-off of an Honor Flight which included the HODAR of member Dixie Drake. Loads of candy were sent to McConnell Air Force Base for Trunk-or-Treat. November radiated Project Green Light on Finney County offices. The annual Christmas Coffee became the Christmas "Tea" in 2023 to honor the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party. Well done, WW Daughters!

#### WYANDOT, Kansas City

## Stephanie Davis, Regent

For Wyandot Chapter, the highlight of 2023 was the celebration of our 70th anniversary with the presentation of proclamations from Kansas Governor Laura Kelly and Kansas City, Kansas Mayor Tyrone Garner. Mayor Garner presented his proclamation in person at a celebration attended by Kansas State Regent Rebecca Kline among many others. In the spring, Wyandot planted a tree at Wyandotte County Park and presented a certificate of achievement to a cadet from the Washington High School JROTC program. In the fall, Wyandot set up a Constitution Week display at the Bonner Springs Library and co-hosted a naturalization ceremony. To mark the NSDAR Day of Service, Wyandot collected non-perishable food items for donation to a food pantry. In November, Wyandot members participated in the Veteran's Day parade in Leavenworth. During the holiday season, Wyandot collected clothing and stuffed Christmas stockings with books, toys and candy. These items were donated to Hands to Hearts KC for area children. Wyandot also made donations to Haskell Indian Nations University and Wreaths Across America. Finally, Wyandot enjoyed programs on various historical topics. The chapter live-streamed meetings to accommodate the varying needs of our members.

#### REPORTS OF STATE CLUBS

#### STATE OFFICERS CLUB

## Stacy Cope, President

The KSDAR State Officers Club Annual Meeting/Dinner was called to order with a welcome and reminder to pay annual dues on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 5:23pm at the Wichita Marriott in Wichita, KS by Club President Stacy Cope. The KSDAR State Regent, Rebecca Geist Kline was introduced followed by National Officers from Kansas, Honorary Vice President General, Past Vice President General, Past Registrar General, Honorary State Regent, State Parliamentarian, Mary Bannister Frisch; the KSDAR State Officers, State Vice Regent, Denise

Bullock; State Chaplain, Laurie Barnes; State Recording Secretary, Rebecca Spaulding; State Corresponding Secretary, Laura Renfro; State Organizing Secretary, Patricia Unruh; State Treasurer, Tena Brucken; State Registrar, Linda Jensen; State Historian, Sherrie Smith; State Librarian, Connie Becker; State Reporter, Melissa Precht; the Honorary State Officers, Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General, Past Registrar General, Patricia Eddy Carpenter; Honorary State Dooley; Honorary State Regent, Regent, Brenda Judd Corresponding Secretary General, Kathryn Walker West; and esteemed guests, Kentucky State Regent, Linda Conrad; Alabama State Regent, Patrice Donnelly; District of Columbia State Regent, Elizabeth Hicks; Iowa State Regent, Edee Brunia; Louisiana State Regent, Cheryl Gott; National Chair Commemorative Events, Leslie Miller and finally the KSDAR State Officers Club Officers, President, Stacy Cope; 1st Vice President, Alice Bachand; 2nd Vice President, Peggi Barrett; Chaplain, Retha Blecha and Treasurer, Patti Unruh. Margaret Huffman, Club Secretary, was not able to attend.

The program was presented by Casey Meier on America 250! Casey Meier has taught at Campus High School in Haysville, KS for 21 years. He graduated from Kansas State University with his degree in Secondary Education and earned his master's in education from Baker University. He is the president of the Kansas Council of History Educators and was the 2020 Kansas History Teacher of the Year as recognized by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of History. Mr. Meier serves as a history consultant for the Kansas Department of Education and during the summer he is a staff developer for AVID to facilitate the best teaching practices for history teachers. He is the schoolteacher representative on the America 250 Kansas Semiquincentennial Commission.

The Invocation was given by club Chaplain, Retha Blecha, followed by dinner.

A Memorial Service was conducted by club Chaplain, Retha Blecha, in memoriam for Jean Ramirez.

Only a partial reading of the minutes of the previous meeting concerning the paragraph of the Treasurer's report was read by Alice Bachand. The balance of the rest of the minutes were approved as printed in the Annual Report and Proceedings. Corrections to the 2023 Treasurer's Report were as follows, \$88.20 was the cost of the books donated to the

Wichita A.L.L. in memory of deceased club members, \$80 were dues collected and the Brag Box was \$139. The motion to accept corrections was moved by Peggi Barrett and seconded by Rebecca Spaulding. Motion passed. The 2024 Treasurer Report was presented by Club Treasurer, Patti Unruh. The beginning balance was \$446.80 after the distribution of \$442.10 supporting the Curator General Susan Metzger special project from the previous year, dues and donations collected were \$44.00 and brag box was \$200 for an ending balance of \$690.80. It was moved to accept the Treasurer Report by Retha Blecha and seconded by Tena Brucken. Motion passed. There was no Unfinished Business. New Business was the discussion of Standing Rule #1. It was presented by Club Vice President, Alice Bachand to change the amount to be used for memorial gifts to \$100 per year to represent all deceased club members from each year. Motion passed and Standing Rule #1 will now read as follows:

1. In Memory of a deceased member, one hundred dollars (\$100) shall be allowed for a memorial book to be selected by the State Librarian and placed in the KSDAR State Library with a bookplate listing the names of the members and dates of KSDAR office/offices held and citing the club as donor.

Per Standing Rule #2 it was moved to donate \$500 to the KSDAR State Regent's Project by Kristi Kocher and seconded by Retha Blecha. Motion passed. It was announced that per the Club Bylaws the Second Vice President Peggi Barrett will appoint two other members to serve on the nominating committee and will present a slate of officers at the next Club meeting. The Brag Box was passed around. The Closing Benediction was given by Club Chaplain, Retha Blecha. Meeting adjourned.

#### KSDAR STATE OFFICERS CLUB GUIDELINES

(Adopted March 2004, (Amended April 24, 2024)

#### ARTICLE I – Name

The name of the club shall be the Kansas Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, State Officers Club.

## ARTICLE II – Object

The object of this club shall be to foster sociability and friendship among the members and to promote the interests of the National and Kansas Societies of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

#### ARTICLE III – Members

Section 1. Those eligible for membership shall be the current and past state officers of the Kansas Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution who are members in good standing.

Section 2. Newly elected officers shall be eligible for membership at the first annual meeting following the installation of the incoming state regent at Continental Congress.

#### ARTICLE IV – Fees and Dues

Section 1. The initiation fee for new members shall be five dollars (\$5.00).

Section 2. The annual dues shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per member, payable at or before the annual meeting each year.

Section 3. Life membership offered for a payment of \$5.00 was closed in 1995, but such memberships in effect will continue to be honored.

#### ARTICLE V – Meetings

Section 1. The Annual Meeting shall be held during the State Conference at a time suitable to the State Regent.

Section 2. Special meetings of the State Officers Club or the State Officers Club Executive Committee may be called by the president and shall be called upon the written request of five members.

Section 3. A quorum of the annual meeting shall be the number present.

#### ARTICLE VI – Officers

Section 1. The officers of the club shall be president, two vice presidents, a chaplain, a secretary and treasurer.

Section 2. Election procedures. The election of officers shall be held at the annual meeting. A nominating committee of three members shall report a nominee for each office. Nominations may be made from the floor with the prior consent of the nominee. The election shall be by ballot, unless there is but one nominee for each office, in which case the election may be made by voice. A majority vote of members present shall elect. The second vice president shall be the chair of the nominating committee and shall appoint the two other members of the committee. The term of the office shall be for three years, and no officer may succeed herself.

Section 3. Duties of the Officers.

a. The President shall preside at all meetings and shall appoint all committees except the nominating committee. She shall confer with the State Regent regarding the plans for the annual meeting.

- She shall approve the disbursement of club funds. She shall send a report of the meeting to the State Recording Secretary for the KSDAR Annual Proceedings.
- b. The First Vice President shall perform the duties of the president in her absence and shall serve as the chair of the bylaws committee. She shall serve as the doorkeeper. She shall be the membership chair and shall notify the newly elected State Society Officers that they are eligible for membership in the club. She shall arrange for the initiation of the new members.
  - The Second Vice President shall be the chair of the nominating committee. She shall appoint two other members to serve on the committee. She shall report items of significant important about the membership.
- c. The Chaplain shall conduct memorial and religious services as the occasion may require. She shall be in charge of the installation of new officers.
- d. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings and shall be the custodian of the club records. She shall send the president a copy of the minutes immediately after the meeting. She shall send a copy of the minutes to the newly elected State Officers Club officers.
- e. The Treasurer shall collect dues and shall keep an itemized account of funds collected. Before the annual meeting, she shall ask the conference treasurer for the balance in the club account and for the names of members who have made reservations for the meal identifying those who have included their annual dues. She shall deposit all funds with the KSDAR State Treasurer with an itemized account and shall notify the State Treasurer of funds to be dispersed. She shall keep a list of active members, of eligible members, and of life members.
- f. Officers may be called upon to report at the annual meeting.

#### ARTICLE VII – Executive Committee

- Section 1. The elected officers shall constitute the Executive Committee.
- Section 2. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall be three members.
- Section 3. If there is a vacancy in the office of president, the first vice president shall succeed to that office. A vacancy in any other office shall be filled by the Executive Committee.

#### ARTICLE VIII - Guests

The guests of the KSDAR State Conference who are members of the DAR may be guests at the annual meeting, and the cost involved shall be paid from the conference funds. There shall be no other guests at the annual meeting.

#### ARTICLE IX – Amendments

Section 1. These bylaws shall become effective upon acceptance by the club.

Section 2. These bylaws may be amended at the annual meeting by a majority vote of the members present, provided that the amendment has been proposed by the executive committee or by any three members of the club.

Section 3. The rules contained in *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the club in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws or any ruling of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution or of the Kansas Society.

#### STANDING RULES

- 1. In Memory of a deceased member, one hundred dollars (\$100) shall be allowed for a memorial book to be selected by the State Librarian and placed in the KSDAR State Library with a bookplate listing the names of the members and dates of KSDAR office/offices held and citing the club as donor.
- 2. In the second year of a KSDAR administration a monetary gift shall be made to a Kansas DAR project.
- 3. Suggested Agenda: Call to Order, opening prayer and memorial tribute when indicated, Introduction of guests, Initiation of new members, when needed, Business Officer report, election, etc., Installation of Officers, Program, Brag Box, Adjournment.

## CHAPTER REGENT'S CLUB Melanie Horton, President Chapter Regent's Club Meeting

September 15, 2023

President Melanie Horton called the meeting of the Kansas Regent's Club to order at 2:30 pm during the Fall Forum in Hays, Kansas. State Chaplain Laurie Barnes led the invocation.

Roll call of officers was taken by Club Secretary Leslie Stair. President Melanie Horton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Leslie Stair read the 2022 minutes. The minutes were approved as read. Treasurer Kathy Hays gave the treasurer's report. The report was approved.

#### **New Business:**

Election of Officers for 2023 – 2024. Nominations for each office were called from the floor.

- a. President: Susan Kramer Chapter John Haupt
  - a. Nominated by Patricia Carpenter Chapter Prairie Flint Hills
- b. Vice President: Jan Goss Chapter Sagamore
  - a. Nominated by Janet Alley Chapter Sagamore
- c. Secretary: Shirley Rasmussen Chapter Esther Lowrey
  - a. Nominated by Leslie Stair Chapter Esther Lowrey
- d. Treasurer: Barbara Bushnell Chapter Esther Lowrey
- a. Nominated by Shirley Rasmussen Chapter Esther Lowrey Officers were elected by unanimous vote.

President Melanie Horton gave a program on Celebration Grants and shared a video on the 250 America! Grants. Janet Alley gave a report about the NE District Project. Several chapters shared what they had received grant money for in their chapters.

Colleen Anderson moved to include Chapter Regent Club dues in the conference or forum registration. Seconded. <u>Adopted</u>.

A motion was made to change the by-laws. It would change the officer's service period to three years. After discussion, the motion was tabled until next year. A committee was approved to look at the by-laws. Committee: Colleen Anderson, Peggy Barrett, and Melanie Horton.

Meeting was adjourned by President Melanie Horton. Submitted by Leslie Stair, Club Secretary

## GUIDELINES – KANSAS CHAPTER REGENTS' CLUB OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

SEPTEMBER 5, 2014

#### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this club shall be the Kansas Chapter Regents' Club of the Kansas Society.

#### ARTICLE II – OBJECT

The Object of this Regents' Club shall be to further the plans of the National Society and State Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution; to maintain harmonious cooperation among the chapters in Kansas; to plan and execute patriotic, historic, and educational work in the state; and to particularly foster closer relationships among the chapters, friendships among the officers, and to encourage the exchange of ideas.

#### ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1. The membership of the Kansas Chapter Regents' Club shall include past, present and incoming Regents in Kansas.
- Section 2. The annual dues shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per member and are payable at the annual meeting.
- Section 3. Life membership of \$5.00 will entitle the member to purchase the chapter regents' club pin. This does not exempt the payment of annual dues.
- Section 4. The annual dues shall go to supporting the State Regent's Project during the 3rd year.

#### ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

- Section 1. The officers of the club shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers shall constitute an Executive Committee.
- Section 2. Three members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- Section 3. Vacancies in office shall be filled by the Executive Committee.
- Section 4. The term of office shall be one year only, and no officer may succeed herself. Election shall be viva voce.
- Section 5. Officers upon retiring from office shall deliver to all successors any monies, accounts, record books, papers and other properties belonging to the club.
- Section 6. Duties of officers:
  - a. The President shall preside at all meetings and appoint all committees; shall maintain the Chapter Regents Club notebook as well as the gavel, flags (U.S. and DAR), and the carrying tote while in office; shall provide an announcement of the annual meeting in the August edition of the *CyberSunflower* providing the specific date, time and meeting room.

- b. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in her absence. She shall act as Program Chair.
- c. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep and report the minutes of the meetings. She shall submit a copy of the minutes to the Club President and to the State Recording Secretary.
- d. The Treasurer shall make a report of the Club account at the annual meeting and submit a copy to the Club President. The Treasurer shall collect all dues; send to the State Treasurer and request disbursements as are approved by the club or the executive committee.

#### ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

The Chapter Regents' Club meeting shall take place during the annual KSDAR State September Meeting unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Board.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Prayer, Introductions, Minutes, Treasurer's Report, Unfinished Business, Election of New Officers, New Business, Benediction, Adjournment

# STATE CHAIRMAN'S CLUB Becky Spaulding, President Minutes of September 15, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Becky Spaulding, with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America at 1:15 p.m.

Opening devotion given by Linda Jensen, Vice President.

The club Officers were introduced: President Becky Spaulding; Vice President Linda Jensen; Recording Secretary Colleen Anderson; Treasurer Bunnie Bowen. Honorary State Regent Brenda Dooley was introduced.

Minutes of September 9, 2022, meeting was approved by a committee of Nancy Williams, Monna Metzger, and Pamela Kelley. Minutes were printed in the AR&P. President Spaulding, without objection, appointed Marla Slaughter, Laura Kaiser, and Sharon Maurath to approve the minutes of this meeting.

A program by Melissa Stuchlik on CDRC was shared with the club members. She noted that the "Torch Talk" is offered on the state level and that CDRC is under the organizing secretary information.

Each chair has been assigned to one of the State Officers as an Executive Liaison to help each chairman.

Treasurer Report: As of 7-31-22 showed \$201.15 balance, with an additional amount of \$155.85 and no expenses to have \$357.00 balance on 9-11-23. The registration form now has a line item to add the dues of the club and is reflected in the additional funds.

New Business: The club suggested that a bylaws amendment be developed to provide for a vice-chairman or co-chairman for the club.

Closing devotion by Laurie Barnes, State Chaplain.

The meeting was adjourned without objection by President Spaulding.

Submitted by Colleen Anderson

# KANSAS SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

## STATE CHAIRMEN'S CLUB GUIDELINES

REVISED 2015, 2021, 2022

#### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this club shall be the KSDAR State Chairmen's Club

#### ARTICLE II – OBJECT

The object of this club shall be to promote the work of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and KSDAR National and State committee projects.

#### ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Any member of KSDAR who is past or present chair of a National or State committee shall be eligible for membership in the State Chairmen's Club.

Section 2. The annual dues shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per member and are payable at the annual meeting.

- a) An application fee of five dollars (\$5.00) will entitle the members to purchase the State Chairmen's Club pin.
- b) The State Regent of KSDAR may be invited to become an honorary member while in office.
- c) Any past chairmen, with the exception of life members, who have not paid dues within a consecutive two-year period, shall be considered inactive and shall be dropped, but may be reinstated by paying dues for the current year.

#### ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual meeting of the club shall be held during the KSDAR State September Meeting. If the KSDAR State September Meeting is held virtually, the Club's meeting may be held virtually (as long as it allows for simultaneous aural communication).

Section 2. KSDAR State September meeting guests may be honored guests at the annual meeting with the expense of the meal paid by the club.

Section 3. A quorum shall be the number present.

#### ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this club shall be a president, a vice-president, a recording secretary and a treasurer.

Section 2. The officers make up the executive committee. Three (3) officers constitute a quorum at any executive committee meeting.

Section 3. The duties of the officers are:

- a) The president shall conduct the annual meeting and any executive meetings that are necessary.
- b) The president may appoint any committee that is necessary to promote the object of the club.
- c) She may assign any necessary duty to the vice-president.
- d) The vice-president shall perform the duties of the president in her absence and perform any necessary duty assigned by the president.
- e) In case of the resignation of the president, the vice-president shall be declared president.
- f) The secretary shall record the minutes of all meetings and keep a file of the proceedings. A copy of the minutes of the annual meeting shall be sent to the State Recording Secretary for the Proceedings.
- g) The treasurer shall collect the dues, be responsible for any fund of the club. The treasurer shall ensure all expenses ordered by the president or the club are paid by the KSDAR treasurer in a timely manner.
- h) Before the books are turned over to the successor, the treasurer shall give a list of active members and their addresses to the president and the secretary.

#### ARTICLE VI – ELECTIONS

Section 1. The election of officers shall be held at the annual meeting during the third year of an administration.

Section 2. Nominations may be made from the floor.

Section 3. Election shall be by ballot if more than one name is nominated for any office.

Section 4. In case of one nominee, the election may be by voice.

Section 5. A plurality vote elects.

Section 6. The term of office shall coincide with that of the state Society, and no officer shall succeed herself.

Section 7. Vacancies in any office shall be filled by the executive committee

#### ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES

The president shall appoint any committee that is necessary to promote the object of the club. The Club's executive committee may meet electronically as long as all officers can hear each other simultaneously and participate simultaneously.

#### ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENT

These rules may be amended at any annual meeting by a majority vote.

#### JUNIOR CLUB

### Amanda Tindell, President

Due to the resignation of the club's president, Denise Bullock was appointed by the State Regent to preside at the annual meeting of the Junior Club. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 pm on April 26, 2024, at the Wichita Marriott with 29 members present. Vice-President/Chaplain Ashley Mayer opened with a prayer. Kristi Kocher was appointed Secretary pro tem. Ashley Mayer, Junior Membership Chair, reported that 55 Kansas Daughters had joined the 5K Virtual Jamie Barton, Page Chairman, gave an update on State Conference pages. Nominations were accepted to fill the vacant offices for the remaining 2022-2025 term. Amanda Tindell and Terri Dominick were unanimously elected as President and Secretary/Treasurer, respectively. Kristi Kocher reported a balance of \$1360.77 on hand. It was moved and seconded to give the State Outstanding Junior \$200 and the State Outstanding Junior Runner-Up \$150 toward Continental Congress expenses. It was moved and seconded to give \$500 to the State Regent's Project. Ideas were discussed regarding the remaining funds; it was moved and seconded to table the discussion. Denise Bullock closed in prayer at 10:15 pm.

#### JUNIOR CLUB GUIDELINES

#### ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the organization shall be THE JUNIOR CLUB, Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

#### ARTICLE II – OBJECT

The object of this club shall be for fellowship and socialization of the State Juniors, members, and pages.

#### ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Any DAR member who joined the NSDAR as a Junior and any member who has served on the Junior Membership Committee shall be eligible for this club. The President may extend an invitation to attend the annual meeting to a State Regent who does not meet criteria for membership, and to guests of the State Conference.

#### ARTICLE IV - MEETING

The annual meeting shall be held during State Conference and scheduled in cooperation with the State Regent. A quorum at the annual meeting will be the number present.

#### ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

- a. The officers of the club shall be President, Vice President/Chaplain, and Secretary/Treasurer.
- b. The election of officers shall be held at the annual meeting during the third year of an administration. Nominations for officers will be made from the floor. They shall be elected by a majority.
- c. The term of office shall coincide with that of the State Society. Vacancies shall be filled by the Executive Committee which is comprised of the elected officers.

#### ARTICLE VI – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- a. The president shall conduct the annual meeting and any executive meetings necessary for the operation of the club. She shall appoint any committee that is necessary for the promotion of the club. She shall send an annual report to the state recording secretary for the proceedings.
- b. The vice president/chaplain shall perform the duties of the president in her absence and shall serve as the program chair. She shall offer prayer as directed by the president.

c. The secretary/treasurer shall record the minutes of all meetings and be responsible for any financial transactions. She shall keep a list of membership.

#### ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS

- a. These Guidelines shall become effective upon acceptance by the club.
- b. These Guidelines may be amended at any annual meeting by a majority vote of those members present.

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the club.

May 2009

#### CAMEO GENERATIONS

Kim Patrick, President

Cameo Generations Club 2024 State Conference, Wichita, KS Saturday, April 27, 2024 Minutes

The Annual Meeting of the Cameo Generations was called to order at 7:30 am by President Kimberly Patrick. Officers present were: President Kimberly Patrick of the Olathe Chapter; Vice President/Treasurer protem Jillian Pence of the Sagamore Chapter; Secretary Monna Metzger of the Council Oak Chapter; and Chaplain Suzanne Guinn of the Four Winds Chapter. Treasurer Donita Dupslaff was unable to attend. There were 50 members present.

The invocation was given by member Melissa Precht. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed in the 2023 Annual Report and Proceedings.

President Kimberly Patrick presented a program entitled "The History of the Cameo" while the members enjoyed their breakfast.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Pro-tem Jillian Pence. The Cameo Generations Restricted Fund balance as of December 31, 2023 was \$1,747.57. Dues collected prior to State Conference were \$200.00, and dues collected today were \$68.00. The ending balance in the Cameo Generations Club Restricted Fund is \$2,015.57.

#### New Business

Since the last meeting, Joy Hadyn of Goodland Chapter resigned as Cameo Generations Club Vice President. The Executive Committee appointed Jillian Pence as Vice President to fill the position until elections could be held. Jillian Pence was presented as the candidate for Vice President. There were no nominations from the floor. Jillian was elected as Vice President. Proposed bylaw amendments were presented to the members.

**Motion** – That the Executive Board is authorized to correct article and section designations, punctuation, and cross-references and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the intent of the organization in connection with the Cameo Generations Bylaws. <u>Adopted</u>.

**Amendment** #1: Amend Article V – Meetings, Section 1. by striking "March issue of the KSDAR News" and inserting "CyberSunflower." Adopted.

**Amendment #2**: Amend Article VI – Officers, Section 1 by substituting a Section 1 which will read: "The officers of Cameo Generations will consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer/Registrar, and Chaplain." <u>Adopted</u>.

**Amendment #3**: Amend Article VIII – Duties of Officers by striking "/Historian" in title and striking last sentence. <u>Adopted</u>.

**Amendment #4**: Amend Article VIII – Duties of Officers by striking "/Registrar" in title and striking last three sentences. <u>Adopted</u>.

Amendment #5: Amend Article VIII – Duties of Officers by "TREASURER" section with the following:" substituting TREASURER/REGISTRAR: The Treasurer/Registrar shall receive the fees and dues from members and all other money for the Cameo Generations. She shall maintain membership records of dues paid. Members will be dropped when dues are not paid. She will put the meeting date and dues reminder in the KSDAR CyberSunflower. The Treasurer will deposit the organization money with the KSDAR State Treasurer with explanations as to the money's source. Expenditures must be authorized by the President and the Treasurer of Cameo Generations. As Registrar, she shall furnish application forms to candidates and be responsible for the verification of all applications for membership. She will maintain a membership list of both current and past members and retain custody of all original application papers." Adopted.

**Amendment #6**: Amend Article IX – Insignia by striking Article IX. Adopted.

Volunteers for a nominating committee for the next administration were Machele Korhn, Esther Lowrey; Mary Foley, Where the Trail Divides; and Ilonda Griffee, Flores del Sol.

Becky Spaulding moved that a Personal Page sash for the State Regent be purchased, not to exceed \$150.00. <u>Adopted</u>. Jamie Barton will order the sash.

Patti Unruh moved that \$200.00 be donated to the Regional C.A.R. Annual Meeting. <u>Adopted</u>.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 am.

Monna Metzger, Cameo Generations Secretary

Minute Approvers: Melissa Precht, Patti Unruh and Alice Bachand

## GUIDELINES OF CAMEO GENERATIONS, KSDAR REVISED APRIL 27, 2024

#### ARTICLE I – NAME

This organization shall be known as Cameo Generations, Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

#### ARTICLE II – OBJECTS

The objectives of this organization shall be to promote understanding and fellowship between generations; to encourage the passage of genealogical information, family history and patriotism to subsequent generations; and, to uphold the principles of NSDAR.

#### ARTICLE III – ELIGIBILITY

<u>Section 1.</u> Membership in Cameo Generations, KSDAR, shall be open to any KSDAR grandmother, mother, daughter, granddaughter, sister, niece, aunt, or cousin, to include any member with a genealogical tie, who can prove simultaneous membership with a living or deceased relative in the NSDAR.

<u>Section 2.</u> Each NSDAR member joining Cameo Generations, KSDAR, during the first year shall be known as a Charter Member.

<u>Section 3.</u> Each NSDAR member who wishes to join Cameo Generations, KSDAR, is required to submit a Cameo Generations Application for Membership to the Cameo Generations' Treasurer/Registrar.

#### ARTICLE IV – DUES

The application fee shall be \$ 1.00. Annual dues shall be \$ 5.00, payable no later than the first day of the month in which State Conference is held. If a Charter Member has joined in conjunction with a deceased grandmother, mother, daughter, granddaughter, sister, aunt, niece or cousin, to include any member with a genealogical tie, all application fees must be paid, however, no further dues are expected for the deceased member.

#### ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

<u>Section 1.</u> The annual meeting shall be held in conjunction with the KSDAR State Conference. The details of time, place, and character of said function shall be arranged by the State Regent and the membership will be notified via the *CyberSunflower*.

<u>Section 2.</u> Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President at such time as she may deem best or upon written request of three (3) members of the Board. Special meetings of the organization may be called upon written request of five (5) members.

#### ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS

The officers of Cameo Generations will consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer/Registrar, and Chaplain.

#### ARTICLE VII – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

<u>Section 1.</u> The officers shall be elected at the annual State Conference and shall serve a term of three (3) years in conjunction with the KSDAR Administration.

<u>Section 2.</u> Officers shall not serve two consecutive terms in the same office.

<u>Section 3.</u> Nominations shall be made by a nominating committee with provision for nominations from the floor. All elections shall be by ballot, except when there is only one candidate for each office, when the election may be by acclamation.

#### ARTICLE VIII – DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: She shall preside at all meetings of Cameo Generations and the Board and shall perform all the usual duties of a presiding officer. She will fill vacancies in office, such action subject to confirmation by at least a majority affirmative vote of the Board. The Secretary will send out and receive the vote to be taken by mail within two weeks of the appointment. An officer so named serves until the next Annual Meeting. She shall appoint all committees, subject to the

approval of the Board. She shall call a special meeting of the Executive Board upon written request of any three (3) members and of the organization upon written request of any five (5) members thereof.

VICE-PRESIDENT: The Vice-President shall, in the absence of the President, preside at all meetings of the organization. The Vice-President shall fill a vacancy in the office of the President until the next Annual Meeting at which time an election shall be held to elect a candidate to fill the remaining portion of the unexpired term.

SECRETARY: The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the meetings of the organization and of the Executive Board. Upon completion of the minutes, she shall forward a copy of the minutes to the President. She shall prepare and mail other correspondence as may be required by the President, the organization, or the Executive Board. TREASURER/REGISTRAR: The Treasurer/Registrar shall receive the fees and dues from members and all other money for the Cameo Generations. She shall maintain membership records of dues paid. Members will be dropped when dues are not paid. She will put the meeting date and dues reminder in the KSDAR CyberSunflower. The Treasurer will deposit the organization's money with the KSDAR State Treasurer with explanations as to the money's source. Expenditures must be authorized by the President and the Treasurer of Cameo Generations. As Registrar, she shall furnish application forms to candidates and be responsible for the verification of all applications for membership. She will maintain a membership list of both current and past members and retain custody of all original application papers.

CHAPLAIN: The Chaplain shall prepare and present a devotional and benediction at each meeting. She shall be responsible for all benevolent correspondence.

#### ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

Proposed amendments to the Bylaws must be submitted in writing to the Executive Board by January 1, prior to the Annual Meeting. These Bylaws may be amended at any Annual Meeting of the organization by a 2/3 vote of the members present. Provided such amendment has been first presented to the membership at least 30 days prior to said meeting. Any amendment to the Bylaws shall take effect at the close of the Annual Meeting at which it is adopted, unless otherwise provided prior to its adoption in the motion to adopt.

#### ARTICLE X – PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

The rules of Cameo Generations, of the Board, and of the Annual or called Meeting, shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.

#### ARTICLE XI – GOVERNING RULES

Section 1. The Kansas Society Bylaws shall be the governing rules for Cameo Generations in all cases not specifically provided for by the Cameo Generations Bylaws.

Section 2. All personal expenses shall be the responsibility of the individual members.

#### ARTICLE XII – STANDING RULES

- 1. Attendance at Cameo Generations meetings is limited to Cameo Generations members and special guests of the Cameo Generation's President.
- 2. Cameo Generations will pay \$300 for travel expenses for the KSDAR Outstanding Junior for expenses at Continental Congress.
- 3. Cameo Generations will donate \$50 in memorial to the State Regent's project to honor deceased members.
- 4. Cameo Generations will donate \$50 yearly to the page fund for use at State Conference.
- 5. Cameo Generations will donate \$150 to the State Regent's project during the 3rd year of the current administrations' term.

#### KANSAS AWARDS - NATIONAL COMMITTEES

## **American Heritage**

## **Individual Awards**

Barbara Bushnell, *Esther Lowrey*, 1st place entry in Kansas for American Heritage fiber arts: quilt top; Valerie Bothell, *Mary Wade Strother*, 1st place entry in Kansas for American Heritage fiber arts: embroidery; Gene Ann Newcomer, *Mission Hills*, Honorable mention in the Dear KC Poetry Contest; Debra Eaves, *Newton*, Crocheting cradles, and sewing port pillows, ditty bags and blankets; Sharon Ricklefs, *Prairie Flint Hills*, Excellent program on American Textile Art; Mona Hartzler, *Sagamore*, Excellence in basket weaving demonstrations; Leslie Harris, *Shawnee Mission*, Excellence in quilting fundraising quilts; Leslie Harris, *Shawnee Mission*, Participating in Quilts of Valor foundation; Linda Harrington, *Shawnee Mission*,

Participating in Quilts of Valor foundation; Melynda Sutherlane, Wichita, Dressing in historic garments as George and Martha Washington

## Chapter Awards

William Wilson, Participation in the quilts of valor foundation

#### Americanism

#### **Individual Awards**

Emily Kirkpatrick, General Edward Hand, Inspiring Americanism through Patriotic Musin at Chapter Events; Linda Huddin, Mission the chapter's participating in Hills. Organizing naturalization Coen, Sagamore, Organizing ceremonies: Deb the participating in naturalization ceremonies; Dee Gruen, Sagamore, Organizing the chapter's participating in naturalization ceremonies; Julie Klein, Sagamore, Assisting petitioners seeking US citizenship; Deborah Keplar, Susannah French Putney, Americanism Program Presentation about Erwin R. Bleckley - A World War 1 hero who gave the ultimate sacrifice for his country; Laura Richardson, Topeka, Leadership as chapter chair introducing Americanism activities at each chapter meeting

## Chapter Awards

Council Oak, Promoting Americanism through an exceptional chapter program - The Boston Tea Party 250th Anniversary; Four Winds, Participating in naturalization ceremony events Honoring new US citizens; Isabella Weldin, Participation in naturalization ceremony events honoring new US citizens; James Ross, Including inspirational Americanism messages though the Chapter Newsletters; James Ross, Participation in naturalization ceremony events honoring new US citizens; Mission Hills, Participating in naturalization ceremony events Honoring new US citizens; Molly Foster Berry, Participation in naturalization ceremony events honoring new US citizens; Olathe, Program Presentation - Lessons learned & stories of deployment from a former United States Navy SEAL; Prairie Rose, Participation in naturalization ceremony events honoring new US citizens; Sagamore, Hosting award presentation to Gary Swanson, 2022 Medal of Honor Recipient; Sagamore, Participation in naturalization ceremony events honoring new US citizens; Sagamore, Promoting Americanism through an exceptional chapter program - Immigration, Green Card, & Becoming a US Citizen; Sarah Steward, Promoting Americanism with monthly window displays in the community; *Shawnee Mission*, Participating in naturalization ceremony events Honoring new US citizens; *Three Trails West*, Participation in naturalization ceremony events honoring new US citizens; *Wichita*, Promoting Americanism presentation of a framed American Creed Posters to local businesses for display

#### **Children of the American Revolution**

Individual Awards

Amanda Tindell, Topeka, State Chair C.A.R.

## **Commemorative Events**

#### **Individual Awards**

Karl Ford, Abilene, DAR Hospital Corp Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Janet Zayas, Arthur Barrett, DAR Hospital Corp Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Sharon Teagarden-King, Arthur Barrett, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Nancy Diebolt, Atchison, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Patrice Asay, Atchison, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Kaye Mayer, Betty Washington, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Betsey Ruiter, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Commemorating the 125th anniversary of John Philip Sousa's March, Stars & Stripes Forever; Alice Minthorn Hall, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Jaynell Cromwell Cole, Courtney-Spalding, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Ruth Grace Moriarity, Courtney-Spalding, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Sherrie Smith, Courtney-Spalding, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Rhonda Durant, Desire Tobey Sears, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Machele Korhn, Esther Lowrey, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Cynthia Louise Fort, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Dana Russell, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Helen White, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Jolynn Fort Dowling, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Judy Miller, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Karen Malcom, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Kathryn Hannon, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Kerin K. Henderson Edelman Smith, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Kim Thomas, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Naine Reager, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Nancy Livingston, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Ruth Godwin Wyndham, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Sarah Miller, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Suellen Staub, Eunice Sterling, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Ilonda Griffee, Flores del Sol, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Terry Knox Turner, General Edward Hand, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Betty Sullivan, Martha Loving Ferrell, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Lynda Schlender, Martha Loving Ferrell, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Nancy Olson Miller, Martha Loving Ferrell, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Patricia DeVos, Martha Loving Ferrell, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Janet Ahlstrom, Mary Draper, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Marcia Burns, Mary Draper, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Mary McCluskev. Mission Hills. DAR Hospital Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Gayle Grape, Prairie Rose, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Linda M. Patterson Frevert, Prairie Rose, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Mary Bowen Welch. Prairie Rose, DAR Hospital Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Rebecca Goff Geist Kline, Prairie Rose, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses: Theresa Umscheid, Prairie Rose, DAR

Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Delores Gruen, Sagamore, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Mary Bouck, Sagamore, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Mary Pat Aaron, Sagamore, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Meghan Sullivan, Sagamore, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses: Sagamore, DAR Rachel Bullock Depew, Hospital Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Sandi Freidhof, Sagamore, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Amy Garcia, Shawnee Mission, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Ann B. Null, Shawnee Mission, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Betty Stogsdill, Shawnee Mission, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Jan Keirsey, Shawnee Mission, In support of the Shawnee Indian Mission; Jessica Lane, Shawnee Mission, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Linda Stevens, Shawnee Mission, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Mary Ann Lambers, Shawnee Mission, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Mary Anne McDowell, Shawnee Mission, In support of the Shawnee Indian Mission: Rebecca Jacobson. Shawnee Mission. DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Sally Ebrecht, Shawnee Mission, In support of the Shawnee Indian Mission; Vicki Ross, Shawnee Mission, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Pat Svaty, Smoky Hill, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Jennifer Lewis, , DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Nina Looney, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses; Viola Ellen Fenton Butts, DAR Hospital Corps Commemorative Event Recognizes Kansas Nurses

## **Chapter Awards**

Abilene, 125th Anniversary of DAR Hospital Corps; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Celebration of the 250th - Boston Tea Party; Cimarron River Valley, Commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party; Council Oak, Commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party; Council Oak, Reenactment Celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party with Konza Prairie SAR Member

Douglas Brabb Presenting the Program; Courtney-Spalding, Honoring those who served Remembrance Table; Desire Tobey Sears, 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; Desire Tobey Sears, Celebration of the 250th - Boston Tea Party; Desire Tobey Sears, Commemorating the 125th Anniversary of John Philip Sousa's March, Stars & Stripes Forever; Esther Lowrey, Celebration of the 250th - Boston Tea Party; Flores del Sol. Commemorating Independence Day: Four Winds. Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; General Edward Hand, Commemorating the 125th Anniversary of the DAR Hospital Corps; John & Hattie Possum, Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; John Athey, 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; John Haupt, 150th Anniversary of Yellowstone National Park: Jonathan Gilbert, 50th Anniversary of Paper Moon; Martha Loving Ferrell, Outstanding program on the Boston Tea Party; Mary Wade Strother, Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; Mission Hills, Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; Oceanus Hopkins, Commemorating Anniversary of the Vietnam War; Olathe, Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; Sagamore, Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; Shawnee Mission, Commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party; Shawnee Mission, In recognition of the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party; Shawnee Mission. In support of the NSDAR Museum: Smoky Hill. Commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party; Tomahawk, Commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party; Tomahawk, Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; William Wilson, Celebrating the 145th Anniversary of the battle of punished women; William Wilson, Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the American Indian Citizenship Act; William Wilson, Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War

## **Community Classroom**

## **Individual Awards**

Sharon Teagarden-King, Arthur Barrett, Excellence in Education; Kathryn Walker West, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Excellence in Education; Retha Blecha, Desire Tobey Sears, Excellence in Education; Leslie Stair, Esther Lowrey, Excellence in Education; Janet Broers, General Edward Hand, Excellence in Education; Linda Fredricks, General Edward Hand, Excellence in Education; Barb Burk, John & Hattie Possum, Community classroom committee; Bunny Bowen, John

& Hattie Possum, Community classroom committee; Shannon Keith, Jonathan Gilbert, Excellence in Education; Gene Ann Newcomer, Mission Hills, Teaching poetry to children; Lou Ann Preston, Mission Hills, Excellence in Education; Alice Bachand, Nathan Edson, Excellence in Education; Jeanna Walters-Fancella, Nathan Edson, Excellence in Education; Mary Thoman, Nathan Edson, Excellence in Education: Deb Eaves. Newton. Excellence in Education: Joeen Burns. Newton, Excellence in Education; Patti Unruh, Newton, Excellence in Education; Donita Dupslaff, Oceanus Hopkins, Excellence Education; Mary Gilpin, Oceanus Hopkins, Excellence in Education; Barbara Erker, Olathe, Excellence in Education; Betty Stogsdill, Olathe, Excellence in Education; Marguerite Durbin, Olathe, Excellence in Education; Shelley Vittorino, Olathe, Excellence in Education; Susan Sims, Olathe, Excellence in Education; Rebecca Roth, Sagamore, Excellence in Education; Recie Mobley, Shawnee Mission, Excellence in Education; Tonya Adams, Shawnee Mission, Excellence in Education; Amanda Wininger, Three Trails West, Excellence in Education

#### **Chapter Awards**

Abilene, Excellence in Education; Betty Washington, Excellence in Education; Dodge City, Using classroom grant for high school Kiowa permanent exhibit; John Haupt, Excellence in Education; Marais des Cygnes, Excellence in Education; Mary Draper, Excellence in Education; Mission Hills, Excellence in Education; Oceanus Hopkins, Excellence in Education; Topeka, Excellence in Education

## **Community Service**

## Chapter Awards

Abilene, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; Cimarron River Valley, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; Courtney-Spalding, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; Flores del Sol, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; General Edward Hand, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; Good-Land, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; Good-Land, Work with Senator Moran for Classroom Flag; Isabella Weldin, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; John & Hattie Possum, Recognizing Outstanding

Volunteers in your community; *John Haupt*, Recognizing volunteers in your community; *Martha Vail*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; *Nathan Edson*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; *Oceanus Hopkins*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; *Olathe*, Recognizing volunteers in your community; *Prairie Rose*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; *Sagamore*, Recognizing volunteers in your community; *Sarah Steward*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; *Shawnee Mission*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; *Topeka*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; *Where the Trail Divides*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; *Where the Trail Divides*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community; *William Wilson*, Recognizing Outstanding Volunteers in your community

#### Conservation

#### Individual Awards

Dee Marshall, *Abilene*, Cleaning & repairing at cemeteries; Nancy Machnicki, *General Edward Hand*, Memorial garden project; Amanda Sparks-Summers, *Sagamore*, Outstanding school conservation project; Laura Kaiser, *Shawnee Mission*, Outstanding dedication in conservation outstanding conservation projects; Mary Cutting, *Tomahawk*, Never Forget Garden project; Linda Moad, *Tomahawk*, Never Forget Garden project

## Chapter Awards

Abilene, Outstanding Conservation Work; Atchison, Dedication in Conservation; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Waterway Cleanup; Council Oak. Outstanding Conservation Project America 250 female patriot honored; Courtney-Spalding, Outstanding Conservation Service Tobey Sears, Outstanding Program; Desire commitment Conservation chapter conservation projects; Emporia, Dedication in Conservation Chapter Conservation Projects; Ephraim Basehor, Outstanding commitment in Conservation chapter recycling projects; Esther Lowrey, Dedication in Conservation; Eunice Sterling, Dedication in Conservation; Flores del Sol, Outstanding commitment to Conservation sunflower stitchers recycling project; Fort Larned, Dedication in Conservation; Four Winds, Continued chapter recycling projects; Four Winds, Dedication in Conservation; General Edward Hand, Dedication in Conservation; General Edward Hand, Outstanding

commitment in Conservation; Isabella Weldin, Dedication Conservation Chapter Conservation Projects; James Ross, Dedication in Conservation Chapter Conservation Projects; John & Hattie Possum, Dedication in Conservation Chapter Conservation Projects: Jonathan Gilbert, Dedication in Conservation Chapter Conservation Projects; Martha Loving Ferrell, Dedication in conservation Chapter Cleanup Projects: Martha Vail. Dedication in Conservation continued chapter conservation projects; Mary Wade Strother, Dedication in Conservation Chapter recycling project; Mission Hills, Outstanding dedication in conservation continued conservation endeavors; Nathan Edson, Outstanding Conservation service & Projects; Newton, Outstanding chapter conservation projects; service Outstanding dedication in conservation chapter conservation projects; Prairie Flint Hills, Dedication in Conservation continued support of conservation efforts; Prairie Rose, Dedication in Conservation project - bread tags; Quivira Crossing, Outstanding Conservation service continued chapter no plastics project; Randolph Loving, Dedication in Conservation continued chapter conservation projects; Sagamore, Outstanding dedication in conservation continued chapter projects; Shawnee Mission, Outstanding dedication in conservation; Susannah French Putney, Dedication in Conservation; Three Trails West, Dedication in Conservation; Three Trails West. Conservation projects Chapter Conservation projects; Three Trails West, Outstanding recycling project; Tomahawk, Outstanding service in conservation; Topeka, Outstanding Conservation service long-term conservation project - Washburn; Where the Trail Divides, Dedication in Conservation Chapter Conservation Projects; Wichita, Dedication in Conservation Chapter Conservation Projects: William Dedication in Conservation outstanding conservation projects

## **Constitution Week**

## **Individual Awards**

Cindy Sprenkle, *Flores del Sol*, Best Chapter Report; Grayson Smith, *Marais des Cygnes*, Poster contest winner; Debbie Sheldon, *Newton*, Constitution Week Display at Halstead Library

## Chapter Awards

Arthur Barrett, Total Displays; Arthur Barrett, Total Displays; Atchison, 25 yard signs placed; Atchison, 25 yard signs placed; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Best Display; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Best

Display; Flores del Sol, Best Chapter Report; Four Winds, Schools Contacted; Four Winds, Schools Contacted; James Ross, Founding Fathers Presentation; James Ross, Founding Fathers Presentation; Kansas Society, Second Place South Central Division Promoting the Constitution; Marais des Cygnes, 160 Posters Distributed; Marais des Cygnes, 160 Posters Distributed; Marais des Cygnes, Best Chapter Report: Marais des Cygnes. Best Chapter Report: Marais des Cygnes. Grayson Smith Poster Contest Winner; Marais des Cygnes, Most Classrooms Visited; Marais des Cygnes, Most Classrooms Visited; *Newton*, Constitution Week minute read at meeting, Proclamation from Sedgwick, Moundridge & Newton, Ringing Bells in Celebration; Pollv Ogden, 585 Kits distributed to schools; Polly Ogden, 585 Kits distributed to schools; Three Trails West, Best Constitution Week Activity; Three Trails West, Best Constitution Week Activity; Where the Trail Divides, In providing kits to schools, visiting local schools, and library displays to promote the US Constitution; Wichita, 16 garden flags; Wichita, 16 garden flags; Wichita, Ringing Bells & Constitution Week Display

#### **DAR Good Citizen**

## **Individual Awards**

Marguerite Durbin, *Olathe*, Sparkle in service award for promoting DAR Good Citizens Award to the Olathe School District

## Chapter Awards

Abilene, Outstanding Achievement; Arthur Barrett, Outstanding Achievement; Atchison, Outstanding Achievement; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Outstanding Achievement; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Outstanding Activity or event - Glimmer Award; Cimarron River Outstanding Achievement; Council Oak, Outstanding Achievement; Courtney-Spalding, Outstanding Achievement; Desire Tobey Sears, Outstanding Achievement; Esther Lowrey, Outstanding Achievement; Flores del Sol, Outstanding Achievement; Four Winds, Outstanding Achievement; General Edward Hand, Outstanding Achievement; James Ross, Outstanding Achievement; John & Hattie Possum, Kansas DAR Good Citizens winner - Dazzle Award: John & Hattie Possum, Outstanding Achievement; Kanza, Outstanding Achievement; Little Arkansas, Outstanding Achievement; Martha Vail, Outstanding Achievement; Mary Wade Strother, Outstanding Achievement; Mission Hills, Outstanding Achievement; Nathan Edson, Outstanding Achievement; Oceanus Hopkins, Outstanding Achievement: Olathe, Outstanding Achievement; Polly Ogden, Outstanding Achievement; Prairie Rose, Outstanding Achievement; Randolph Loving. Outstanding Achievement: Sarah Steward. Outstanding Achievement: Shawnee Mission. Achievement; Smoky Hill, Outstanding Achievement; Susannah French Putney, Outstanding Achievement; Three Trails West, Outstanding Achievement; Topeka, Outstanding Achievement; William Wilson, Outstanding achievement

## **DAR Library Outreach**

## **Individual Awards**

Patricia Nichol, Council Oak, Hays Public Library and Church Library Volunteer: Dr. Sarah Broman Miller. Council Oak. Donation of books to the FHSC students and prison ministry; Sherry Merica, Dodge City, Donation of Greensburg book to library; Susan Newman, Flores del Sol, Facilitating a Chapter Zoom Book Club; Marsha Mendenhall, Flores del Sol, Donated proceeds of book signing to chapter and library; Shirley Sweet, General Edward Hand, Led Chapter book club event and presented bookmarks; Linda Fredricks, General Edward Hand, Donated books & Coordinated Memorial Books: Dr. Cara Poslev. General Edward Hand, Book Signing in Ottawa; Judy Watkins, John Athey, Book reviews presented to chapter; Jolene Satterthwaite, Mary Draper, Book club leader; Alice Bachand, Nathan Edson, DAR Library Outreach committee chair; Shawna Shewey, Newton, Serving on Hillsboro Library board; Kirsten Solberg, Newton, Serving on Goessel Library Board; Joeen Burns, Newton, 75 books donated to Girard Library; Deb Eaves, Newton, Participation in Fidelity Bank Book Club; Kimberly Patrick, Olathe, Kansas Outstanding Correspondent Docent; Julie Klein, Sagamore, Sharing mid-continent library events with the chapter

## **Chapter Awards**

Abilene, Book donations to the NSDAR Library; Arthur Barrett, Outstanding Achievement; Betty Washington, Outstanding Achievement; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Book donations to the NSDAR Library; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Chapter Book Club; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Outstanding Achievement; Cimarron River Valley, Program on the NSDAR library; Council Oak, Outstanding Achievement; Desire Tobey Sears, Program on the

NSDAR library; Esther Lowrey, Outstanding Achievement; Flores del Sol, Chapter Book Club; Flores del Sol, Outstanding Achievement; Four Winds, Book donations to local libraries and schools; Four Winds, Book donations to the NSDAR Library: Four Winds, Book donations to the WALL Library; Four Winds, High five a librarian day; General Edward Hand, Book Donations; General Edward Hand, Chapter Book Club: Good-Land. Book donations to local libraries and schools: Isabella Weldin, Outstanding Achievement; Isabella Weldin, Program on the NSDAR library; James Ross, Book donation to local libraries and schools; James Ross, High five a librarian day; James Ross, Reporting library achievement; John Haupt, Book donations to local libraries and schools; John Haupt, Outstanding Achievement; Little Arkansas, Maintaining a chapter library; Martha Loving Ferrell, Memorial books to WALL genealogy department; Mary Draper, Chapter Book Club; Mary Draper, DAR Library Outreach committee; Mary Wade Strother, DAR Library Outreach committee; Mission Hills, Book club event; Mission Hills, Book donations to the NSDAR Library; Mission Hills, Book donations to the WALL Library; Mission Hills, Chapter Book Club; Mission Hills, DAR Library Outreach committee; Mission Hills, High five a librarian day; Mission Hills, Program on the NSDAR library; Mission Hills, Reporting library achievement; Molly Foster Berry, Outstanding Achievement; Nathan Edson, Outstanding Achievement: *Newton*. Book donations to local libraries and schools: Newton, Book donations to NSDAR Library and WALL Library; Newton, Book donations to the NSDAR Library; Newton, Books donated to WALL Library; Newton, Outstanding Service; Newton, Reporting library achievement; *Olathe*, Book donations to the WALL Library; Polly Ogden, Book donation to the NSDAR library; Prairie Flint Hills, Chapter Book Club; Quivira Crossing, Chapter Book Club; Quivira Crossing, Donation to Friends of Seimes; Randolph Loving, Celebration for 125th anniversary of the DAR library; Sagamore, Donation to Friends of Seimes; Sagamore, Donation to Friends of the Library; Sagamore, Library programs and articles for the chapter newsletter; Sagamore, Maintaining a chapter library; Sarah Steward, High five a librarian day; Sarah Steward, Reporting library achievement: Shawnee Mission. Books donated to NSDAR library: Shawnee Mission, Chapter Book Club; Shawnee Mission, Donating 18 books to NSDAR Library and Museum; Shawnee Mission, Outstanding Achievement; Smoky Hill, Outreach Committee; Susannah French Putney, Outreach Committee; Tomahawk, Book donation to the NSDAR library; Topeka, Chapter Book Club; Wichita, Book donations to WALL library

#### **DAR Museum Outreach**

#### **Individual Awards**

Donna Overmiller, Flores del Sol, DAR Museum period rooms' open house during Continental Congress; Cindy Sprenkle, Flores del Sol, Period Rooms' Open House during Continental Congress; Donna Roberts, Four Winds, Promoting the DAR Museum at chapter meetings; Lou Preston, Mission Hills, Activities Supporting DAR Museum; Laura Renfro, Polly Ogden, Monetary donation to museum keeper in honor of Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; Judy Brake, Sagamore, Contributing articles and photos featuring the DAR museum in chapter newsletters; Janet Alley, Sagamore, Applied for correspondent docent in training; Leslie Harris, Shawnee Mission, Fundraising efforts for Wish List Items to honor Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; Leslie Harris, Shawnee Mission, Three donations to give a book; Stephanie Brown, Three Trails West, Submitting museum articles for the chapter newsletters; Ann Benton, Three Trails West, Support of the Miami County Historical Museum

## **Chapter Awards**

Abilene, Activities Supporting DAR Museum; Atchison, Presented on DAR Museum and presented Museum Moments at Chapter Meetings; Betty Washington, Correspondent Docent Program Period Rooms' Open House during Continental Congress; Courtney-Spalding, Period Rooms' Open House during Continental Congress; DAR Holiday Open House - Museum Gallery; Desire Tobey Sears, Supporting "Friends of the Museum" and "Adopt-an-Object" Period rooms' open house & touring museum during CC; Flores del Sol, Monetary support Friends of the Museum; Flores del Sol, Program Presented by Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; Four Winds, Give a book donation Museum moments presented at chapter meetings; James Ross, Attendance at Museum program presented by Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; James Ross, Correspondent Docent Program moments at Chapter Meeting; John & Hattie Possum, Attendance at Museum program presented by Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; John & Hattie Possum, Monetary Support Friends of the Museum featured in chapter newsletters; John Haupt, Attendance at Museum program presented by Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; Little Arkansas, Museum moments at chapter meetings, museum promoted in chapter newsletter; Mary Draper, Monetary support Friends of the Museum; Monetary support Museum Keeper; Mary Wade Strother, Museum program at chapter meetings museum moments at chapter meetings; Mission Hills, Attendance at Museum program presented by Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; Newton, Activities Supporting DAR Museum; Olathe, Museum program presented to SAR Chapter attendance at period rooms' open house at CC; Polly Ogden, Attendance at Museum program presented by Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; Prairie Flint Hills, Touring DAR museum in person and attending period rooms' open house during Continental Congress; Sagamore, Museum moments at chapter meetings; Sagamore, Period rooms' open house during continental congress Support friends of the museum adopt-an-object; Shawnee Mission, Donation to purchase three objects for the DAR museum, museum moments at Chapter meetings; Shawnee Mission, Sponsoring museum program presented by Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; Three Trails West, Museum moments presented at chapter meetings and included in chapter newsletters; Tomahawk, Attendance at Museum program presented by Curator General, Dr. Susan Lee Metzger; Tomahawk, Attendance at period rooms' open house during continental congress: *Tomahawk*. Monetary donation to adopt-an-object and friends of the museum: donation to give a book; *Topeka*, Activities Supporting DAR Museum

## **DAR Project Patriot**

## Individual Awards

Rebecca Polezella, *Abilene*, Christmas Stocking Project; Lacinda Heller, *Abilene*, Outstanding Chapter Chair; Linda Jensen, *Captain Jesse Leavenworth*, Service to the Caisson Platoon; Virginia McNitt, *Cimarron River Valley*, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Nancy Machnicki, *General Edward Hand*, Support of Thule Space Force Base; Linda Fredricks, *General Edward Hand*, Support of Thule Space Force Base; Barb Shropshire, *Mission Hills*, Outstanding Chapter Chair; Bobbi Degraffenried, *Newton*, Outstanding Chapter Chair; Charm Elven, *Oceanus Hopkins*, Outstanding Chapter Chair; Pat Lodge, *Sagamore*, Outstanding Chapter Chair; Jan Sheinker, *Sagamore*, Christmas Stocking Project; Doris Palmer, *Sagamore*, Christmas Stocking Project; Carol Crane, *Sagamore*, Christmas Stocking Project;

Patricia Spencer, Shawnee Mission, Baby blanket project; Patricia Spencer, Shawnee Mission, Christmas Stocking Project; Patricia Fry, Shawnee Mission, Baby blanket project; Nancy Durham, Shawnee Mission, Baby blanket project; Linda Stevens, Shawnee Mission, Christmas Stocking Project; Leslie Harris, Shawnee Mission, Baby blanket project; Leslie Harris, Shawnee Mission, Christmas Stocking Project; Kathryn Proffitt, Shawnee Mission, Christmas Stocking Project; Karen Williams, Shawnee Mission, Christmas Stocking Project; Betty Miller, Shawnee Mission, Baby blanket project; Ilene McKaig, Three Trails West, Outstanding Chapter Chair; Della Regenold, Topeka, Outstanding Chapter Chair; Dana Pfanestiel, William Wilson, Outstanding Chapter Chair

## Chapter Awards

Abilene, Christmas Stocking Project; Atchison, Service to ROTC students at Benedictine College; Betty Washington, Christmas Stocking Project; Betty Washington, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Cimarron River Valley, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Courtney-Spalding, Challenge Coins; Courtney-Spalding, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project: Desire Tobey Sears, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project: Dodge City, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Esther Lowrey, Outstanding Service; Esther Lowrey, Support of the 1011th Army Reserve Unit; Flores del Sol, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; Flores del Sol, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Flores del Sol, Outstanding Service; Flores del Sol, Trunk-or-Treat event at McConnell AFB; Four Winds, Christmas Stocking Project; Four Winds, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; Four Winds, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Four Winds, Outstanding Service; Four Winds, pocket flags; General Edward Hand, Outstanding Service; General Edward Hand, Support of Thule Space Force Base; Isabella Weldin, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; James Ross, HUGS Project; James Ross, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; James Ross, Outstanding Service; James Ross, Support of Operation Uplift; John & Hattie Possum, HUGS Project; John & Hattie Possum, Project Patriot coupons; John Haupt, 250 greeting card challenge; John Haupt, Baby blankets: John Haupt, HUGS Project: John Haupt, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; John Haupt, Outstanding Service; Kanza, Christmas Stocking Project; Kanza, Outstanding Service; Little Arkansas, Trunkor-Treat event at McConnell AFB; Marais des Cygnes, Christmas

Stocking Project; Martha Loving Ferrell, HERO dolls; Martha Loving Ferrell, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; Martha Loving Ferrell, Outstanding Service; Martha Loving Ferrell, Pocket prayer quilts; Martha Vail, Christmas Stocking Project; Mary Draper, Baby blanket project; Mission Hills, Baby blanket project; Mission Hills, Christmas Stocking Project; Mission Hills, Exceptional service to project patriot: Mission Hills, HUGS Project: Mission Hills, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Newton, Coupon; Newton, Exceptional service to project patriot; Newton, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; Newton, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Newton, Trunk-or-Treat event at McConnell AFB; Oceanus Hopkins, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; Oceanus Hopkins, Outstanding Service; Oceanus Hopkins, Support of the USS Theodore Roosevelt; Olathe, HUGS Project; Olathe, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Polly Ogden, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Prairie Flint Hills, Coupons; Prairie Rose, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Quivira Crossing, Christmas Stocking Project; Ouivira Crossing, Exceptional service to project patriot; Quivira Crossing, HERO boxes; Quivira Crossing, Sunflower stockings at KCI USO; Randolph Loving, Baby blanket project; Randolph Loving, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; Randolph Loving, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Randolph Loving, Outstanding Service; Randolph Loving, Trunk-or-Treat event at McConnell AFB; Sagamore, Christmas Stocking Project; Sagamore, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; Sagamore, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Sagamore, Outstanding Service; Shawnee Mission, Baby blanket project; Shawnee Mission, Challenge Coins; Shawnee Mission, Christmas Stocking Project; Shawnee Mission, Christmas Stocking Project; Shawnee Mission, HUGS Project; Shawnee Mission, Outstanding Service; Three Trails West, Baby blanket project; Three Trails West, Christmas Stocking Project; Three Trails West, HUGS Project; Three Trails West, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; Three Trails West, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project: Three Trails West, Outstanding Service: Tomahawk, Baby blanket project; Tomahawk, HUGS Project; Tomahawk, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Topeka, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; Topeka, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; Topeka, Pocket flags; Where the Trail Divides, Baby blanket project; Where the Trail Divides, Christmas Stocking Project; Where the Trail Divides, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project: William Wilson, Challenge Coins: William Wilson, Christmas Stocking Project; William Wilson, Meeting the 250 greeting card challenge; William Wilson, Mother's Day Spa Box State Project; William Wilson, Outstanding Service; William Wilson, Trunk-or-Treat event at McConnell AFB

## **DAR Scholarship**

## **Individual Awards**

Karla McMillan, *Nathan Edson*, Contacting nine schools most by a Kansas Chapter

## Chapter Awards

Abilene, Sponsoring two \$750 Scholarships; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Sponsoring scholarships for a total of \$2000; Four Winds, Sponsoring a \$500 scholarship; Jane Dean Coffey, Sponsoring three \$500 scholarships; Mary Draper, Sponsoring a \$200 scholarship; Polly Ogden, Sponsoring two \$500 scholarships; Sagamore, Contributing \$400 to the Marian Anderson Legacy Fund; Topeka, For sponsoring two scholarships Mary Lempenau Mathematics Scholarship \$350 and Victor Blakely Memorial Scholarship \$340; William Wilson, Sponsoring a scholarship

#### **DAR Service for Veterans**

## **Individual Awards**

Susan Etelamaki, *Arthur Barrett*, Outstanding Achievement; Jean Pinick, *Ephraim Basehor*, Outstanding Achievement; Jean Pinick, *Ephraim Basehor*, Support of Honor Flights; Dee Clark, *John & Hattie Possum*, Outstanding Achievement

## Chapter Awards

Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Outstanding Achievement; Courtney-Spalding, Outstanding Achievement; Desire Tobey Sears, Outstanding Achievement; Esther Lowrey, Outstanding Achievement; Eunice Sterling, Participation in the SW District service project Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB; Flores del Sol, Outstanding Achievement; Flores del Sol, Participation in the SW District service project Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB; Four Winds, Outstanding Achievement; General Edward Hand, Outstanding Achievement; Isabella Weldin, Outstanding Achievement; James Ross, Honor Flights; John & Hattie Possum, Outstanding Achievement; John Athey, Outstanding Achievement; John Haupt, Outstanding Achievement; Little Arkansas, Outstanding Achievement; Little Arkansas, Participation in the SW District service project Trunk-

or-Treat at McConnell AFB; Martha Loving Ferrell, Outstanding Achievement; Mary Draper, Outstanding Achievement; Mary Draper, Participation in the SW District service project Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB: Mary Wade Strother, Outstanding Achievement: Mission Hills, Outstanding Achievement; Nathan Edson, Outstanding Achievement; Newton, Outstanding Service; Newton, Participation in the SW District service project Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB: Oceanus Hopkins, Wreaths Across America; Olathe, Outstanding Achievement; Polly Ogden, Outstanding Achievement; Prairie Rose, Outstanding Achievement: *Ouivira* Crossing, Outstanding Achievement; Randolph Loving, Outstanding Achievement; Randolph Loving, Participation in the SW District service project Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB; Sagamore, Outstanding Achievement; Shawnee Outstanding Achievement; Smoky Hill. Outstanding Mission. Achievement: Three Trails West. Outstanding Achievement; Topeka, Tomahawk. Outstanding Achievement; Outstanding Achievement; Where the Trail Divides, Outstanding Achievement; Wichita, Outstanding Achievement; William Wilson, Outstanding Achievement; William Wilson, Participation in the SW District service project Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB; Wyandot, Outstanding Achievement

#### DAR/SAR/S.R. Relations

## Chapter Awards

Desire Tobey Sears, Working with local SAR members bringing the Smithsonian Exhibit "Voices and Votes from Democracy" to the Local Historical Society for a Community Education Event; Oceanus Hopkins, Working with the SAR in Wreaths Across America Sponsorship of 1,000 wreaths and for placement and pickup at Fort Scott National Cemetery; Randolph Loving, Celebrating with a constitution week party to honor veterans, DAR members and SAR members from Konza prairie Presented flags, bookmarks, bells, pins & refreshments; Shawnee Mission, Donating a gift basket for a silent auction helping cover expenses for SAR chapters sponsoring the annual George Washington Birthday Celebration; Smoky Hill, DAR members working with SAR members donating time & materials helping the Ellsworth County Historical Society create a lawyer room in the Hodgden House Memorial

## The Flag of the United States of America

#### **Individual Awards**

Dee Marshall, Shari Lenhart, Abilene, Support of the Avenue of Flags; Stacy Cope, JoAnn Sharp, Cimarron River Valley, Say Can You See Essay Activity; Colleen Anderson, Pat Schneider, Council Oak, Second Tina Anguish, Distribution: Courtney-Spalding, Community flag placement & Vietnam Veteran's Grave Project; Karen McCune, Tina Anguish, Courtney-Spalding, School Flag - Code Program; Ellis Dale "Moe" Moses, Courtney-Spalding, Flag Code Program - Outstanding State Program; Haley Popelka, Sierra Bonjour, Desire Tobey Sears, Community Impact; Joyce Day, Esther Lowrey, Memorial Day flag folding demonstration; Carlotta Munson, Esther Lowrey, Memorial Day flag folding demonstration; Barbara Taylor, Esther Lowrey, Memorial Day flag folding demonstration; Sue Barrow, Flores del Sol, Placement & Lighting of a flagpole; Nancy Machnicki, General Edward Hand, Community Flag Volunteer; Elaine Oakleaf, General Edward Hand, Presentation of flag flown over Constitution Hall and Patriotic Support of the community; Chris Burns, General Edward Hand, Community Flag Volunteer; April Jenkinson, General Edward Hand, Community Flag Volunteer; Renee Slinkard, Marais des Cygnes, Outstanding KSDAR Chair; Pamela Hennigh, Renee Slinkard, Marais des Cygnes, Outstanding KSDAR Chapter; Janet Schmidt, Linda Latham, Mary Wade Strother, Presentation of flag flown over Constitution Hall; Katie Huffman, Nathan Edson, WAA Greenwood cemetery preparation; Jeanna Walters Fancella, Nathan Edson, Go the Distance flag volunteer; Shelley Vittorino, Olathe, NE Kansas/ NW Missouri Scouts Flag retirement training program; Sue Cowan, Tomahawk, Flag flown over Constitution Hall honoring a Pearl Harbor survivor; Mary Foley, Where the Trail Divides, 4th of July celebration; Stephanie Davis, Terry Allen, Wyandot, Female veterans Quilts of Valor flag day event; Stephanie Davis, Wyandot, Flag presentation to Scott City Christian School

## **Chapter Awards**

Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Flag Day Ceremony; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Flag flown over Constitution Hall

## **Genealogical Records**

Individual Awards

Jan Wichman, Polly Ogden, State Chair Genealogical Records

#### Historic Preservation

#### **Individual Awards**

Susan Etelamaki, Arthur Barrett, Cemetery Preservation; Mildred Donahue, Arthur Barrett, Cemetery Preservation; Margaret Huffman, Arthur Barrett, Cemetery Preservation; Lori Parker, Arthur Barrett, Cemetery Preservation; Janet Zayas, Arthur Barrett, Cemetery Preservation; Linda Randall, Betty Washington, Donation of Living Floral Tributes for Mamie; Leah Rurode, Betty Washington, Donation of Living Floral Tributes for Mamie; Retha Blecha, Desire Tobey Sears, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Janet Burnett, Ephraim Basehor, Support of the Tonganoxie Historical Society; Machele Korhn, Esther Lowrey, Participation and support of the Black Dog Trail Markers; Gerry Winters, Eunice Sterling, Outstanding Communication with Kansas Daughters; Twila Marie Brown, Flores del Sol, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Kathryn Jackson, Flores del Sol, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Terry Turner, General Edward Hand, Care & Conservation of Historic Markers; Karen Lundblade, Little Arkansas, Care and Conservation of Santa Fe Trail Markers; Karen Buhler, Mary Wade Strother, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Glenda Golden, Newton, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Sara Larson, Polly Ogden, Procurement & care of a very special orchid; Carol Elmore, Polly Ogden, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie: Rosanne Wilson, Prairie Flint Hills, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Susie Hawkins, Prairie Rose, Preservation and management of chapter documents; Rebecca Geist Kline, *Prairie Rose*, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Barbara Knopke, Prairie Rose, Honoring our Patriots; Lisa King, Sagamore, Historic preservation research and procuring a headstone for Stg. Robert Clayburn; Joyce Cotter, Sagamore, Care & Conservation of Historic Markers; Kay Snodgrass, Sarah Steward, Care & conservation of the DAR Marker Long Island Kansas; Anita Hempy, Three Trails West, Support of the historic Baker University; Gayla Hoyt, Topeka, Assessment of Topeka chapter historical markers; Gayla Hoyt, *Topeka*, In preservation of historic markers; Rebecca Spaulding, Topeka, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie

## Chapter Awards

Abilene, Donation of Living Floral Tributes for Mamie; Abilene, Mamie Dowd Eisenhower Luncheon; Atchison, Cemetery Preservation; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Cemetery Preservation; Captain Jesse

Leavenworth, Donation of Living Floral Tributes for Mamie; Council Oak, Honoring our Patriots; Courtney-Spalding, Celebration of the 250th - Boston Tea Party; Courtney-Spalding, Donation of Living Floral Tributes for Mamie: Desire Tobey Sears, Historic Preservation Programming; Four Winds, Donation of Living Floral Tributes for Mamie; Isabella Weldin, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; James Ross, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie: John & Hattie Possum, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Jonathan Gilbert, Recognition in the community; Little Arkansas, Cemetery Preservation; Martha Vail, Donation of Living Floral Tributes for Mamie; Martha Vail, Recording of DAR marked graves of chapter daughters; Mary Wade Strother, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Mission Hills, Celebration of the 250th - Boston Tea Party; Mission Hills, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Mission Hills, In support of the Lahaina town historic preservation project; Mission Hills, Preservation and management of chapter documents; Mission Hills, Recognition and celebration of commemorative events; Molly Foster Berry, Assessment of chapter's Fort Scott Historical Markers; Nathan Edson, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Nathan Edson, In Historic Preservation programming "Dress for Success: Nelly Don & American Fashion"; Newton, Celebration of the 250th - Boston Tea Party; Newton, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie: Newton. In support of the state regent's project: Oceanus Hopkins, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Olathe, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Olathe, Monument Preservation; Polly Ogden, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Polly Ogden, In support of the Hawaii State Organization of NSDAR to Aid in the Restoration of Historic Lahaina: Polly Ogden. Post card challenge for national historic preservation month; *Polly* Ogden, Recognition of the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party; Prairie Flint Hills, Cemetery Preservation; Prairie Rose, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Randolph Loving, Donation to Living for Mamie; Sagamore, Cemetery Preservation; Tribute Sagamore, Donation of Living Floral Tributes for Mamie; Sagamore, Vietnam Veterans Pinning Celebration; Samuel Linscott, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Shawnee Mission, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; Shawnee Mission, In honoring our Patriots; Shawnee Mission, The 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party; Smoky Hill. Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie: Smoky Hill. In Historic Preservation for support of the Lawyer Room at the Ellsworth Museum; *Three Trails West*, Honoring our Patriots; *Tomahawk*, Recognition in the community; *Topeka*; Topeka, Donation to Living Floral Tribute for Mamie; *William Wilson*, Celebration of the 250th - Boston Tea Party; *William Wilson*, Historic Preservation Programming; *William Wilson*, Historic Preservation recognition in the community; *William Wilson*, Honoring our Patriots; *William Wilson*, In support of the 145th Anniversary of the battle of the punished woman's fork

#### **Junior American Citizens**

#### **Individual Awards**

Cassy Wilson, Abilene, Most Community Service Events; Sharon Teagarden-King, Arthur Barrett, Perseverance in Kansas JAC Contests; Barbara Bushnell, Esther Lowrey, Outstanding short story in Kansas JAC; Twila Brown, Flores del Sol, Submitting entries in a timely manner in Kansas JAC contests; Connie Becker, Four Winds, Most continuous years in Kansas JAC Contests; Connie Becker, Four Winds, Most Kansas First Place Winners in Kansas JAC Contests: Connie Becker, Four Winds, Most students entering six categories in Kansas JAC contests; Connie Becker, Four Winds, Outstanding Chair - always going the extra mile in Kansas JAC contests; Connie Becker, Four Winds, Outstanding CMR reporting in Kansas JAC Contests; Dee Ellen Kruzel, General Edward Hand, Outstanding continuous participation in Kansas JAC Contests; Amanda Heron, Isabella Weldin, First-time participation in Kansas JAC Contests; Jolene Pennington, Marais des Cygnes, Outstanding group community service; Kris Campbell, Sagamore, First-time participation in Kansas JAC Contests

# Chapter Awards

Courtney-Spalding, Outstanding individual community service in Kansas JAC Contests; Desire Tobey Sears, Participation in Kansas JAC Contests

# National 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winners Art/Poster

Kendall Brown, *Four Winds*; Charlie DeMaranville, *Four Winds*; Grace DeMaranville, *Four Winds*; Helena Wang, *Four Winds* 

## Art/Stamp

Izabella Scheufler, *Flores del Sol*; Grace Mader, *Flores del Sol*; Evan Shenberger, *Sagamore* 

#### Art/Banner

Sylah Partida, Four Winds; Dani Rockers, Four Winds; Gracie Moyer, Four Winds; Audrey Rockers, Four Winds; Korbyn Sowder, Four Winds; Randy Sherman, Four Winds; Laney Harris, Four Winds; Gavin Elliott, Four Winds; Preston Augustyn, Four Winds; Camden Wilson, Four Winds; Grady Pedersen, Four Winds; Gabriel Ordaz, Four Winds; Bennett Amore, Four Winds; Chevy Brecheisen, Four Winds; Kora Harkins, Four Winds; Markus Hunter, Four Winds; Lukas May, Four Winds; Liam Shaffer, Jr., Four Winds; Simon Sullivan, Four Winds; Colton Hoven, Four Winds; Bear Perez, Four Winds; Carson Elliott, Four Winds; Bowen Smith, Four Winds; Nash Goodell, Four Winds

# Creative Expression – Poem Ellie Grimmett, Four Winds

## **Individual Community Service**

Maggi Shoemaker, Four Winds; Max Bauer, Four Winds; Kyzer Lehmann, Four Winds; Roy Bauer, Four Winds; Ashdynn Lehmann, Four Winds; Mariella Drelling, Courtney Spalding

#### **Group Community Service**

Evangeline Pertner, Marais des Cygnes; Laina Hambleton, Marais des Cygnes; Nathan King, Marais des Cygnes; Klya Scrivner, Marais des Cygnes; Mallory Manthel, Marais des Cygnes; Shaylen Erwin, Marais des Cygnes; Hazel Snouffer, Marais des Cygnes; Jonathon Booton, Marais des Cygnes; Liam Shuey, Marais des Cygnes; Scarlett Demiter, Marais des Cygnes; Delaney Kauk, Marais des Cygnes; Logan Wheeler, Marais des Cygnes; Gabriel Bryant, Marais des Cygnes; Archer Anderson, Marais des Cygnes; Christina Caster, Marais des Cygnes; Piper Heinrich, Marais des Cygnes

## Membership

## **Individual Awards**

Marla Slaughter, *Betty Washington*, State Membership Vice Chair PMD & Torch Talk Member; Victoria Dibble, *Flores del Sol*, Haysville Independence Day Parade; Twila Brown, *Flores del Sol*, Haysville Independence Day Parade; Susan Newman, *Flores del Sol*, Rosehill Fall Festival; Sandi Howlett, *Flores del Sol*, Rosehill Fall Festival; Mary Jo Jurey, *Flores del Sol*, Rosehill Fall Festival; Marsha Mendenhall, *Flores del Sol*, Haysville Independence Day Parade; Kathleen Wood, *Flores del Sol*, Rosehill Fall Festival; Karen Malcom, *Flores del Sol*, Haysville

Independence Day Parade; Heidi Heuenergardt, Flores del Sol, Haysville Independence Day Parade; Cindy Sprenkle, Flores del Sol, Haysville Independence Day Parade; Catherine Hays, Flores del Sol, Rosehill Fall Festival; Shirley Sweet, General Edward Hand, Engaging Program; Ronda Hassig, General Edward Hand, Excellent Program based on Book Ronda Authored; Linda Fredricks, General Edward Hand, Engaging Program and excellent field trip: Kay Eyman, General Edward Hand, Engaging Program; Gayle Short, General Edward Hand, Engaging Program; Melissa Stuchlik, Mary Wade Strother, State Chair CDRC & Torch Talk Member; Jeri Kling, Mission Hills, Outstanding Achievement membership chair; Ruth Hale, Olathe, Membership committee; Laura Kaiser, Olathe, Membership Opening house to members to refreshments before Wreaths Across America; Laura Easley, Olathe, Johnson County Genealogy Day Table and Display; Kimberly Patrick, Olathe, "Firecracker" in Leavenworth Parade; Janis Olathe, Membership Committee: Sparky Sparkster corresponding with our state members; Janice Conner, Olathe, Membership committee; Jane Perry, Olathe, Membership committee; Jan Jones, Olathe, Membership committee; Elizabeth Winterbone, Randolph Loving, Registrar working with prospective members and holding an insignia workshop; Verdine Raridon, Sagamore, Outreach to members; Rebecca Roth, Sagamore, Flag Day picnic, newsletter editor, and encouraging a prospective member; Pat Lodge, Sagamore, brought daughter to meetings/events; Mona Hartzler, Sagamore, Flag Day picnic; Julie Klein, Sagamore, Flag Day picnic, hospitality committee chair, and inviting prospective member to a meeting; JoAnne Platt, Sagamore, Sunshine committee co-chair and new member articles for newsletter; Joan Green, Sagamore, Flag Day picnic; Jeannie Blau, Sagamore, DAR table at Armed Forces Day and talking about DAR; Jackie Aaron, Sagamore, Patriotic supplies for DAR table at Armed Forces Day and Flag Day picnic; Helen Nahrstedt, Sagamore, Encouraging prospective members; Doris Palmer, Sagamore, Sunshine committee co-chair and new member articles for newsletter; Denise Bullock, Sagamore, Sharing essay at meeting; Carol Crane, Sagamore, Shawnee Indian Mission fall festival promoting at membership & Sagamore nametags; Wendy Bowes, Shawnee Mission, Membership committee, sunshine committee and service and friendship event - May 1; Valerie Hodges, Shawnee Mission, Sunshine committee and service to friendship event May 1; Valdeana Vincent-Burrell, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Tonya Adams, Shawnee Mission, Membership committee, membership tea, and events/field trips; Susanne Castleberry, Shawnee Mission, Membership committee, service and friendship event, May 1, and membership tea; Susan DeGroot, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Sharon Yelton, Shawnee Mission, Sunshine committee; Recie Mission. Membership committee. Shawnee committee and service and friendship event - May 1; Patricia Spencer, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Patricia Nickle, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Patricia Fry, Shawnee Mission, Sunshine committee; Myrna Vardeman, Shawnee Mission, Membership tea and service and friendship event - May 1; Mary Beth Torizzo, Shawnee Mission, Sunshine committee; Mary Anne McDowell, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Lyn Patterson, *Shawnee Mission*, Service and friendship event - May 1; Linda Stevens, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Leslie Harris, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1 and expanding the you are a sparkler program; Laura Mirakian, Shawnee Mission, Membership tea; Laura Kaiser, Shawnee Mission, State Membership Chair & Torch Talk Member; Laura Kaiser, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Kathy Busch, Shawnee Mission, Nurturing and caring for our members; Karen Williams, Shawnee Mission, Membership committee: Karen Jaax, Shawnee Mission, Membership committee, membership tea, and service and friendship event May 1; Joanne Cagle, Shawnee Mission, Membership committee and sunshine committee; Janet Lake, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Holly Blackhurst, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Gerry Winters, Shawnee Mission, Sunshine Event; Dixie Bell, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Diane Etzkorn, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Debbie Lawson, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Colette Bernica, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Claudia Noakes, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Cheryl Foster, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Bernadette Bowen, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Barbara Elliott, Shawnee Mission, Service and friendship event - May 1; Anita Arneson, Shawnee Mission, Membership committee, retention committee, membership tea; Teresa Bachman, Susannah French Putney, St.

Patrick's Day Chapter Meeting; Sharon McClure, Susannah French Putney, St. Patrick's Day Chapter Meeting; Marcia Todd, Susannah French Putney, St. Patrick's Day Chapter Meeting; Kay Catlin, Susannah French Putney, St. Patrick's Day Chapter Meeting; Susan Turner, Topeka, Chapter Librarian brought in 3 new members; Mary Hoyt, Topeka, Registrar sent in 19 new applications all verified with no AIRS; Julia Marsh, Topeka, Assistant Registrar

#### **Chapter Awards**

Abilene, Participation in the "You are a Sparkler" program; Arthur Barrett, 10% or higher change in membership; Arthur Barrett, Best Membership Recruitment Activity (chapters with 30 or less members); Arthur Barrett, Highest number of new members by application; Betty Washington, 2 or more new Juniors; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, 2 or more new Juniors; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Participation in the "You are a Sparkler" program; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Sharing information at Fort Leavenworth spouses club meeting; Cimarron River Valley, Sparkling Recruitment Program; Council Oak, Sparkling Recruitment Program; Courtney-Spalding, Sparkling Recruitment Program; Desire Tobey Sears, Sparkling retention program; Esther Lowrey, 10% or higher change in membership; Esther Lowrey, Best membership recruitment activity; Esther Lowrey, Highest number of new members by application; Flores del Sol, Sparkling Recruitment Program; Fort Larned, 10% or higher change in membership; Four Winds, 10% or higher change in membership; Four Winds, Participating in you are a sparkler program; General Edward Hand, Sparkling retention program; Isabella Weldin, Participation in the "You are a Sparkler" program; James Ross, 10% or higher change in membership; James Ross, Best membership retention activity; James Ross, Engaging chapter members through chapter newsletter; John & Hattie Possum, 2 or more new Juniors; Jonathan Gilbert, 10% or higher change in membership; Kanza, Sparkling Recruitment Program; Little Arkansas, 2 or more new Juniors; *Little Arkansas*, Prospective member database best practices; Marais des Cygnes, Sparkling retention program; Martha Vail, 10% or higher change in membership; Mary Draper, 2 or more new Juniors; Mary Wade Strother, Sparkling Recruitment Program; Mission Hills, Best membership retention activity; Mission Hills. Participation in the "You are a Sparkler" program; Mission Hills, Prospective member database best practices; Molly Foster Berry, Prospective member database best practices; Newton, Participation in

the "You are a Sparkler" program; Oceanus Hopkins, 2 or more new Juniors; Olathe, 2 or more new Juniors; Olathe, Best membership retention activity; *Olathe*, Prospective member database best practices; Polly Ogden, 2 or more new Juniors; Prairie Rose, Sparkling retention program; Sagamore, Highest number of new members by application; Sagamore, You are a sparkler program; Sarah Steward, 10% or higher change in membership; Sarah Steward, 2 or more new Juniors; Sarah Steward, You are a sparkler program; Shawnee Mission, Best membership recruitment activity; Shawnee Mission, Best membership retention activity; Shawnee Mission, Highest number of new members by application; Shawnee Mission, Participation in the "You are a Sparkler" program; Shawnee Mission, Prospective member database best practices; Smoky Hill, Sparkling Recruitment Program; Susannah French Putney, Best membership recruitment activity; Three Trails West, Sparkling Recruitment Program; Tomahawk, 2 or more new Juniors; Topeka, 10% or higher change in membership; Topeka, 2 or more new Juniors; Topeka, Best membership recruitment activity; Topeka, Highest number of new members by application; Topeka, You are a sparkler program; Wichita, 2 or more new Juniors; William Wilson, 10% or higher change in membership; William Wilson, Best membership retention activity; William Wilson, You are a sparkler program

## **Patriot Records Project**

<u>Individual Awards</u> Monna Metzger, *Council Oak*, State Chair

## **National Defense**

## **Chapter Awards**

Betty Washington, Outstanding National Defense Program; Courtney-Spalding, Outstanding National Defense community outreach; Four Winds, Outstanding National Defense program on the new generation of veterans and community outreach; General Edward Hand, Recognizing Cadet Jayden Yoder, University of Kansas, Gold ROTC Medal; Isabella Weldin, Cemetery Preservation; James Ross, Outstanding community outreach; John & Hattie Possum, Ten DAR youth citizenship certificates and medals; John Haupt, Recognizing an outstanding JROTC cadet; Jonathan Gilbert, Program entitled "Swords of Lightening - Green Beret Horse Soldiers and America's Response to 9/11"; Little Arkansas, Community outreach; Mission Hills, Awarding

cadet Elliana Hilger with the JROTC medal; *Nathan Edson*, Awarding DAR challenge coins to graduates joining the military; *Newton*, Promoting wear red Friday and community outreach; *Oceanus Hopkins*, For awarding Pittsburg State University cadet with the gold ROTC medal and certificate; *Olathe*, Outstanding program: Lessons Learned by a Kansas Navy SEAL; *Prairie Flint Hills*, Recognizing an outstanding cadet with the bronze JROTC medal; *Shawnee Mission*, Awarding a cadet with the bronze JROTC medal, and participating in Welcome Home Vietnam veterans; *Three Trails West*, Outstanding program on Kansas trails leading westward from a historical military perspective; *Tomahawk*, Presenting distinguished citizen award medals and certificates to principals at War Horses for Veterans; *Topeka*, For awarding outstanding cadets the bronze JROTC medal and certificate; *William Wilson*, Participating in the JROTC program, Kansas Honor guard, project green light & community outreach

## **President General's Project**

#### Chapter Awards

Arthur Barrett, 100% Participation; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, 100% Participation; Council Oak, 100% Participation; Emporia, 100% Participation; Eunice Sterling, 100% Participation; Fort Larned, 100% Participation; Isabella Weldin, 100% Participation; James Ross, 100% Participation; John Athey, 100% Participation; John Haupt, 100% Participation; Martha Loving Ferrell, 100% Participation; Martha Vail, 100% Participation; Mission Hills, 100% Participation; Molly Foster Berry, 100% Participation; Nathan Edson, 100% Participation; Newton, 100% Participation; Prairie Rose, 100% Participation; Quivira Crossing, 100% Participation; Randolph Loving, 100% Participation; Sagamore, 100% Participation; Shawnee Mission, 100% Participation; Susannah French Putney, 100% Participation; Three Trails West, 100% Participation; Tomahawk, 100% Participation; Wichita. 100% Participation; Wyandot, 100% Participation

## Service to America

#### Individual Awards

Linda Fredricks, *General Edward Hand*, Donating hundreds of books; Carol Middleton, *Member At Large*, Entering 321.75 Service to America Hours; Patricia Carpenter, *Prairie Flint Hills*, Outstanding volunteer; Carley Hazelton, *William Wilson*, Outstanding volunteer

#### Chapter Awards

Abilene, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2166.50 hours; Arthur Barrett, Exceeding Service to America goal with 1904 hours; Atchison, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2637 hours: Betty Washington. Service to America Activities and Hours; Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Exceeding Service to America goal with 4348.25 hours; Cimarron River Valley, Outstanding Achievement; Cofachique, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2833.50 hours; Council Oak, Donating 293 books; Council Oak, Exceeding Service to America hours with 1713.25 hours; Courtney-Spalding, Exceeding Service to America hours with 2357.25 hours; Desire Tobey Sears, Exceeding Service to America goal with 3521 hours; *Dodge City*, Donating 1,135 books in Service to America; Dodge City, Exceeding Service to America goal with 1787.75 hours; *Emporia*, Service to America Activities and Hours; Ephraim Basehor, Exceeding Service to America goal with 991 hours; Esther Lowrey, Donating 598 books; Esther Lowrey, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2010.50 hours; Eunice Sterling, Exceeding Service to America goal with 3011 hours; Flores del Sol, Donating 200 books; Flores del Sol, Exceeding Service to America goal with 4147.25 hours; Fort Larned, Outstanding Achievement; Four Winds, Donating 380 books; Four Winds, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2047.75 hours; General Edward Hand, Exceeding Service to America goal with 1884.25 hours: Good-Land, Service to America Activities and Hours; Isabella Weldin, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2105 hours; James Ross, Exceeding Service to America goal with 1275.75; Jane Dean Coffey, Service to America Activities and Hours; John & Hattie Possum, Exceeding Service to America goal with 3537.75; John Athey, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2359.50 hours; John Haupt, Donating 169 books; John Haupt, Exceeding Service to America goal with 4424 hours; Jonathan Gilbert, Outstanding Achievement; Jonathan Gilbert, Wreaths Across America: Kanza, Service to America Activities and Hours; Little Arkansas, Exceeding Service to America goal with 1709.75 hours; Marais des Cygnes, Donating 250 books; Marais des Cygnes, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2945.5 hours; Marais des Cygnes, Outstanding Achievement; Martha Loving Ferrell. Exceeding Service to America goal with 1624.75 hours; Martha Vail, Donating 164 books; Martha Vail, Exceeding Service to America goal with 3941.75 hours; Mary Draper, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2001.50 hours: Mary Wade Strother, Donating 339 books in Service to America; Mary Wade Strother, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2823.75 hours; *Mission Hills*, Donating 694 books; Mission Hills, Exceeding Service to America goal with 4519.75 hours; Molly Foster Berry, Exceeding Service to America goal with 774 hours; Nathan Edson, Donating 183 books; Nathan Edson, Exceeding Service to America goal with 4258.75 hours; Newton, Exceeding Service to America goal with 1264 hours; Oceanus Hopkins, Donating 248 books in Service to America; Oceanus Hopkins, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2259.50 hours; Olathe, Exceeding Service to America goal with 5015 hours; Polly Ogden, Service to America Activities and Hours; Prairie Flint Hills, Outstanding Achievement; Prairie Rose, Exceeding Service to America goal with 3204 hours; Quivira Crossing, Donating 355 books; Quivira Crossing, Service to America Activities and Hours; Randolph Loving, Exceeding Service to America goal with 5820.5 hours; Sagamore, Exceeding Service to America goal with 4352.75 hours; Shawnee Mission, Exceeding Service to America goal with 7809.75 hours; Smoky Hill, Donating 216 books; Smoky Hill, Exceeding Service to America goal with 1152.25 hours; Susannah French Putney, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2422.25 hours; Three Trails West, Donating 2,249 books; Three Trails West, Exceeding Service to America hours with 7054 hours; Tomahawk, Donating 311 books; Tomahawk, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2641.50 hours; Topeka, Donating 717 books; Topeka, Exceeding Service to America goal with 7632 hours; Uvedale, Exceeding Service to America goal with 1177.75 hours; Where the Trail Divides, Exceeding Service to America goal with 759.5 hours; Wichita, Service to America Activities and Hours; William Wilson, Exceeding Service to America goal with 2409 hours

# **Volunteer Genealogists**

#### Individual Awards

Marla Slaughter, *Betty Washington*, Assistance at the Arthur Barrett Chapter Workshop; Linda Smitherman Jensen, *Captain Jesse Leavenworth*, Leader of the Supplemental Mid-Level Review Team; Brenda Judd Dooley, *Desire Tobey Sears*, Member Supplemental Mid-Level Review Team; Shirley Rasmussen, *Esther Lowrey*, Assisting at the Molly Foster Berry chapter Genealogy workshop and 11 new members; Machele Korhn, *Esther Lowrey*, Assisting at the Molly Foster Berry chapter Genealogy workshop; Leslie Stair, *Esther Lowrey*, Assisting at the Molly Foster Berry chapter Genealogy workshop;

Barbara Bushnell, Esther Lowrey, Assisting at the Molly Foster Berry chapter Genealogy workshop; Vicki Timmons, Flores del Sol, Member of the Supplemental Mid-Level Review Team and serving as an assigned volunteer genealogist; Connie Becker, Four Winds, Recruiting 12 members of her family to join DAR; Valerie Bothell, Mary Draper, Leadership role at a Kanza chapter workshop; Melissa Stuchlik, Mary Wade Strother, Leadership role at a Kanza chapter workshop and Arthur Barrett chapter workshop; Kathy Hays, Olathe, 11 new members and with electronic application perseverance process; Winterbone, Randolph Loving, Leadership role at Kanza chapter workshop; Patricia Spencer, Shawnee Mission, Assignment to and leadership role for Arthur Barrett Chapter Workshop; Leslie Harris, Shawnee Mission, Member of the Supplemental Mid-Level Review Team and serving as an assigned volunteer genealogist; Karen Younce, Shawnee Mission, Member of the State Applications Team leadership role at the Kanza chapter workshop; Karen Williams, Shawnee Mission, Instructor of the digging divas group and ten new member applications as a registrar; Beverly Yates, Shawnee Mission, Member of the Supplemental Mid-Level Review Team and serving as an assigned volunteer genealogist; Phyllis Benedict, Three Trails West, Member of the State Applications Team leadership role at the Arthur Barrett chapter workshop; Sandy Wurth, Tomahawk, Seven new member applications; Mary Hoyt, Topeka, Registrar that led a chapter to the most new members applications in the state of Kansas; Liz Post, Topeka, Volunteering at the Kansas Historical Society and researching obituaries from local newspapers; Kayla Roehler, Wyandot, Became the first person from her chapter to become a volunteer genealogist

## **Chapter Awards**

Arthur Barrett, 12 new members, hosting a genealogy workshop; Esther Lowrey, Assisting at the Molly Foster Berry chapter Genealogy workshop and 11 new members; Kanza, Hosting a genealogy workshop; Molly Foster Berry, Hosting a genealogy workshop; Sagamore, Ten new members and four chapter members completing GEP 3; Topeka, Most new member applications in the state and three new members serving as balcony volunteers

## **State Chaplain**

#### **Individual Awards**

Tobey Sears, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Retha Blecha. Desire Extraordinaire; Donna Roberts, Four Winds, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire: Connie Becker, Four Winds, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire: Dee Ellen Kruzel, General Edward Hand, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire: Bonnie Hitchcock. James Ross, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Marcia Burns, Mary Draper, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Mary Ann Tanking, Mary Wade Strother, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Jann Fowler, Mission Hills, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Marty Wellington, Polly Ogden, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Laura Renfro, Polly Ogden, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Donna Mueller, Prairie Rose, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Verdine Raridon, Sagamore, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Mona Hartzler, Sagamore, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Kristi Kocher, Sarah Steward, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Tonya Adams, Shawnee Mission, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Tonya Adams, Shawnee Mission, Organized NSDAR Prayer Event NE District; Kathy Busch, Shawnee Mission, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire; Marsha Salvoni, Three Trails West, KSDAR Prayer Warrior Extraordinaire

## **Chapter Awards**

Flores del Sol, Sunshine Excellence Award - card ministry to members; Four Winds, Loving Outreach Award - Operation Birthday Cake; General Edward Hand, Library Donation Award; Mission Hills, Patriot Memorial Service Award; Oceanus Hopkins, Honoring Our Seniors award - special 90th Jackie Casey; Olathe, Memorial Books Donation; Polly Ogden, Sponsored NSDAR Day of Prayer event in NW District; Randolph Loving, Patriot Memorial Service Award; Shawnee Mission, Sunshine Excellence Award - meal ministry

#### **Continental Congress Report 2024**

#### **State Regent's Report**

Rebecca Kline

Madame President General,

Kansas Daughters have celebrated our DAR Ties of Service and Friendship in our communities through American History essay contests, celebrating National American Indian Heritage Month, and participating in forty-five community service projects for DAR Day of Service. Four hundred members participated on July 4th in parades and celebrations. Over 100 members volunteered in school classrooms impacting over 5,000 children. Four thousand nine hundred wreaths were sponsored for Wreaths Across America.

The Project Patriots service project during the State Conference, was creating Mother's Day spa boxes for single soldier mothers, totaling over \$5,000. Seventeen hundred children of military families enjoyed a Trunk-or-Treat Event at McConnell AFB. Two hundred and fifty HUGS hearts were stitched for children at Fort Riley with deployed parents.

Twenty-seven chapters were recognized for Spreading the Sparkle for membership, resulting in 225 new members. America 250! grants, activities, and events have more than tripled in celebration of the 250th Anniversary of our nation.

Highlighting the year was the DAR grave marking and wreath dedication ceremony for Mamie Doud Eisenhower led by the SAR Color Guard. The Historian General presented the Life of Mamie, and Mamie's granddaughter reflected on her childhood with her grandmother. Floral tributes were presented to the Eisenhower Presidential Library in Mamie's memory of \$4,000. A rare blooming and historic First Lady Mamie Eisenhower Cattleya Orchid was displayed on loan from Chadwick and Son Orchids.

The Fall Forum service project sponsored by the DAR Literacy Promotion Committee yielded 2,500 books for Liberate Books, and Bonding Through Literacy projects; organizations that promote literacy in the Kansas Prison system.

The 2024 sparkling State Outstanding Junior, Jillian Pence is holding the Kansas Flag. It is a joy to celebrate Stars & Stripes in the Wright administration.

# Report of the State Regent for the 133<sup>rd</sup> Continental Congress State Regent Rebecca Kline

Continental Congress officially opened on Wednesday evening, June 26th. Your State Regent began on Monday with a full day of activities starting early with the Daughters Tribute Wreath Laying Ceremony in the Memorial Garden followed by the National Board of Management, the National Officers Club, and NOC formal dinner where she experienced excellent vocal and piano performances by the NOC music scholarship awardees.

Fifty-two Kansas Daughters, including seven Pages, arrived in D.C. on staggered days to attend the many activities provided to members and begin their service on Congress Committees. The Insignia and Junior Shoppe Sales began on Monday along with Registration. Additionally, the Congress Shops opened for some stimulating shopping. Members were availed of the Balcony Volunteers for assistance with applications. Several Kansas Daughters volunteered to assist members.

Beginning Tuesday, a wreath laying took place at the Second Infantry Division WWI Memorial near the DAR building. The State Regent was delighted to attend the State Regent's Club Annual Meeting and Brunch and to be a guest for the California Tea and the Illinois Supper. Our State Chair of American Heritage Valerie Bothell attended the American Heritage Awards Presentation. Several past and present vice chairs attended the National Vice Chairmen's Association Annual Meeting and Dinner. The Junior Membership 5 K was set up near the building, along with a special Flag Raising Ceremony, DAR Genealogy Commission Forum, and more shopping at the President General's Project sales tables. The Shawnee Mission Chapter officially gifted Redware Cat banks and a Colton Kansas Map at the Gift Acceptance event. Rehearsal for the All-American DAR Chorus began with our own State Chaplain Laurie Barnes excited to practice for the upcoming performance.

Starting early Wednesday morning, your State Regent was a guest of the Mississippi Alabama societies for their Southern Sunrise Breakfast. A multitude of information was presented at the Chaplain and Historian General's Forum and the Registrar General's Forum. Our beautiful Kansas Chapel was open to many visitors with the State Chaplain as a hostess. The new pew cushions were first shown to visitors and provided a comfortable resting place for solace throughout the week. As a 50+ DAR member, the State Regent was privileged to join about 60 other members for the 50-Year Club luncheon but unfortunately, she missed the Patriotism luncheon, one of her favorite luncheons at Congress. The Library's 75th Anniversary Celebration was attended by the State Librarian, Connie Becker, who was able to view the new central desk. There were many delegation and committee meetings throughout the day.

The Golden West Tea, hosted by the Utah State Society, was a Mexican feast for about 120 guests, a much smaller attendance than usual. The Utah State Regent gave highlights of the Mighty Five Utah National Parks and the state's Dark Night Skys. Six Kansas Pages assisted with the logistics of the event, particularly the reception line. It was a fun evening to share with Daughters from Utah, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii.

Members anxiously awaited the Congress opening night ceremony, and it was exhilarating to watch the pageantry. The entrance and introduction of the President General, and National Officers escorted by the Pages carrying flags from each state was a flurry of color, led by the music of the United States Army Band. The Kansas Daughters were ecstatic for our own Susan Lee Metzger, Curator General, to emerge from the tunnel. The rap of the gavel by President General Pamela Rouse Wright officially opened the 133rd Continental Congress. Greetings from the President of the United States of America and the Mayor of the District of Columbia followed. Mr. Jeffrey Voris Senior, National President of Children of the American Revolution, spoke along with the National President Emerson Sites-Byers. Several younger C.A.R. members came to the podium to give wishes to Mrs. Wright.

The first award presentation was delivered by the Librarian General to Dr. Carla Hayden with the DAR History Award Medal. Dr. Hayden is the first woman and the first African American to lead the Library of Congress as Librarian of Congress. Steven Porterfield, a professional appraisal for the Antiques Roadshow was presented with the DAR Historic Preservation Medal for collecting and saving historical garments, and other items from the landfill. Mr. Porterfield has over 3600 historical garments and hats in his collection. Mark Schneider,

historical interpreter entertained the assembly as Marquis de Lafayette, celebrating the Bicentennial of Lafayette's Farewell Tour. Bernice Steinhardt was presented the Founders Medal for Education, and the evening ended with the DAR Medal of Honor presented to CeCe Moore Genetic Genealogist who was the featured speaker. After the opening night ceremony, your State Regent enjoyed the reception held in the O'Byrne Gallery as a guest of the President General.

Kansas Daughters gathered in the Kansas Chapel for the annual state delegation photo to start our very jam-packed Thursday, followed by the DAR Leadership Training Graduation Photo with the President General that included many of our members. The first business of the National Society was started with reports from the national officers, and auditing and finance committees which solidified the secure financial status of our organization. It is amazing the time and effort these women give to our Society daily. Numerous internal awards were presented by the Insignia, Membership, and Magazine Committees.

The popular Units Overseas Committee Luncheon with the famous International Shopping Bazaar and the Historic Preservation Luncheon were features of the day. Several states had luncheons, and the Correspondent Docent Workshop, VAVS 102, Treasurer General, and Junior Membership forums were presented. Thursday evening, the Society recognized American History Essay winners and the Patriots of the American Revolution High School Essay Contest winner. Each addressed Congress with poise and impressive remarks. The DAR Good Citizens winner and the Outstanding Teacher of American History award were presented. The All-American Chorus presented various patriotic songs before the introductions of the National Finalists and the National Outstanding Junior member and State Outstanding Juniors including our Kansas 2024 State Outstanding Junior Jillian Pence member of the Sagamore Chapter.

Friday morning's business session was filled with State Regent reports and nominations for the positions of Vice President General and Honorary Vice President General. For the State Vice Regent's Club annual meeting and Luncheon, our own State Vice Regent, Denise Bullock was elected to serve as the Secretary for one year. The Education Luncheon consisting of the American Indians, DAR School, DAR Scholarship, and Community Classroom Committees were celebrated. The Chickasaw Honor Guard processed the colors, and the

Chickasaw Princesses gave a beautiful rendition of the Lord's Prayer for the invocation. Col. Jessica M. Owens USMCR (Ret.), a member of the Chickasaw Nation and Chickasaw Warrior Society, was the guest speaker. Col Owens shared her compelling life story as an Indian in the military. It was an honor to join seven Kansas Daughters for the luncheon. Three of our members were recognized for submitting "Sharing the Story of Your Native American Ancestor" essay project. They are Barbara Bushnell and Charlotta Munson, Esther Lowrey Chapter, Phyllis Thompson, Three Trails West Chapter.

Friday's Celebration of DAR Philanthropy dinner was overflowing with generous Kansas Daughters before the Sparkle in Service Committee Showcase. Denise Bullock, National Vice Chair CDRC Rural Concerns, sparkled while giving out information on Tools to Grow Your Chapter. Kathryn West and Retha Blecha worked in the America 250! committee tables dispersing vital information in anticipation of the 250th Birthday celebration of our country. Jeri Kling, National Vice Chair of Leadership Development, gave a talk in the main room.

The last business session on Saturday morning was a continuation of reports. The final credentials were 2,401 voting strength and the final registration was 3,430. Jillian Pence, 2024 State Outstanding Junior, held the Kansas State Flag during the State Regent's report. The President General Mrs. Wright gave the results of the election, and 100% participation certificates for the President General Project were presented to the states. Kansas Daughters supported the Juniors and Jillian by attending the luncheon filling three tables. Jillian was presented with a certificate by Mrs. Wright as almost 1000 members joined in the fun with a one clap.

Fanfare and awards abound at the National Defense Night, with a procession of the newly elected Vice President General and Honorary Vice President Generals. Admiral Linda Fagan Commandant of the United States Coast Guard was recognized with the DAR Patriot Award and as the keynote speaker for the evening. NSDAR awarded \$100,000 to the National Coast Guard Museum Association to underwrite the museum for the creation of an overlook area dedicated to the American Revolution. Colonel Allison Black United States Air Force (Ret.) was awarded the Margaret Cochran Corbin Award which honors the memory of Revolutionary War heroine Molly Corbin and pays tribute

to women in all branches of the military for distinguished military service.

The Dr. Anita Newcomb McGee Award was presented to Colonel Maria Bruton United States Army Nurse Corps as the Army Nurse of the Year. She is a Chief Nursing Officer in Texas. The DAR Service for Veterans Committee awarded the National Outstanding Award to Elsie VanBeen, from Iowa, a Youth Volunteer; the DAR Service for Veterans to Barbara Grant, Idaho; and Outstanding Veteran Volunteer to Brigadier General Arthur Austin Jr., United States Army (Ret.) from New York. Veritas an all-male music group entertained the Congress.

Following the National Defense Night, the Congress reception was held in the hotel ballroom. The proposed Storage Team of national officers was announced, with Kathryn Walker West Honorary State Regent, for the office of First Vice President General.

The musical group Veritas performed prior to the Sunday morning memorial Service and wreath laying at the Founders Memorial Monument. Due to a rainstorm, the latter was held in Constitution Hall. After the installation ceremony of new state regents, State Vice Regents, Vice Presidents General, and Honorary vice Presidents General, the President General adjourned the 133rd Continental Congress. Your State Regent attended the National Board of Management luncheon and meeting before hopping a plane back to Kansas. There's no place like home.

## 133<sup>rd</sup> Continental Congress Attendees from Kansas

**Betty Washington**: Ashley Mayer, Marla Slaughter

Captain Jesse Leavenworth: Linda Jensen, Betsey Ruiter, Kathryn

West

Council Oak: Colleen Anderson

**Courtney-Spalding**: Diana, Crouch, Karen McCune **Desire Tobey Sears**: Retha Blecha, Brenda Dooley

Esther Lowrey: Barbara Bushnell, Machele Korhn, Shirley

Rasmussen, Leslie Stair

Four Winds: Connie Becker

John & Hattie Possum: Bunnie Bowen

Mary Draper: Val Bothell, Julie Crawford, Amy Spurgeon Mission Hills: Laurie Barnes, Mary Frisch, Jeri Kling

**Newton**: Patti Unruh

Olathe: Janis Miller, Kimberly Patrick, Melissa Precht

Polly Ogden: Sally Bender, Abigail Compton, Sara Larson, Susan

Metzger, Laura Renfro

**Prairie Flint Hills**: Pat Carpenter **Prairie Rose**: Rebecca Kline

Quivira Crossing: Kathryn Largent

Sagamore: Jackie Aaron, Denise Bullock, Jan Goss, Jillian Pence

Samuel Linscott: Tena Brucken Sarah Steward: Kristi Kocher

Shawnee Mission: Tonya Adams, Laura Kaiser, Pat Nickle, Linda

Stevens

**Tomahawk**: Sue Cowan, Mary Cutting, Sandra Wurth **Topeka**: Gayla Hoyt, Mary Hoyt, Becky Spaulding

Wyandot: Kayla Roehler

# **KSDAR** Continental Congress Photos







2024 Continental Congress Kansas Delegation

#### REPORT OF THE KANSAS STATE REGENT

**Statistical Report** 

**Number of Members:** 3,010 **Number of Chapters:** 59

**AMERICA 250!:** 6 Celebration Grant applications submitted.

**AMERICAN HERITAGE:** 78 programs presented in American Heritage special projects; 625 participants in American Heritage special projects; 1 entry submitted for Art & Sculpture; 1 entry submitted for Crafts; 9 entries submitted for Fiber Arts; 0 entries submitted for Jewelry; 6 entries submitted for Literature & Drama; 1 entry submitted for Music; 2 entries submitted for Photography; 0 Women in the Arts Recognition Awards presented.

AMERICAN HISTORY: 219 American History programs given at chapter meetings or to other groups; 63 programs presented about an outstanding American Woman; 47 Women in American History honored; 5 certificates awarded for Women in American History; 70 American History displays arranged in schools/public places; 23 spot announcements used; 27 schools participated in the American History Essay Contest; 20 public schools participated; 15 private/parochial

schools participated; 5 homeschoolers participated; 219 students participated; 102 certificates given for contest participation; 21 certificates awarded; 21 bronze medals awarded; 22 schools participated in Patriots of the American Revolution Essay Contest; 10 public schools participated; 1 private/parochial school participated; 0 homeschoolers participated; 23 students participated; 18 certificates given for contest participation; 5 chapters awarded certificate/bronze medals; 16 certificates given for Excellence in American History in schools; 5 bronze medals awarded; 0 silver medals awarded; 11 articles sent to Stars & Stripes Newsletter; 4 photos submitted; 0 individuals highlighted for outstanding service in American History.

AMERICAN INDIANS: 33 programs held on Native Americans; 374 meetings held observing an "American Indian Minute"; 10 proclamations obtained to celebrate National American Indian Heritage Month; \$37.82 donated to American Indian Scholarship Fund; \$225 donated to Friends of the American Indians Fund; \$273.30 donated to Bacone College; \$75 donated to Chemawa Indian School; \$100 donated to Indian Youth of America Summer Camp Program; \$0 donated to Adopt-A-Camper program.

**AMERICANISM:** 17 chapters recognize Citizenship Day; 151 copies of the DAR Manual for Citizenship distributed; 15 members assisted with naturalization classes; 31 naturalization ceremonies participated; 1 Medal of Honor awarded; 0 Americanism Awards presented; 57 chapters recited the American's Creed; 214 patriotic songs sung at chapter meetings.

**CHAPLAIN:** 291 Sunshine reports presented; 544 birthday greetings sent to members 90 and older; 23 chapters observed NSDAR Day of Prayer on October 8, 2023; 25 chapters observed National Day of Prayer on May 4, 2023; 49 memorial services conducted; 7 patriot memorial services conducted; 12 grave markers placed.

CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS: 45 chapters participated in a community project on National DAR Day of Service; 22 members completed the Genealogy Education Program (GEP) I; 21 members completed the Genealogy Education Program (GEP) 2; 20 members completed the Genealogy Education Program (GEP) 3; 15 members completed the GEP- DNA and the DAR course; 43 members completed the Member Course; 20 members completed the Committee Leaders Course; 9 members completed the New Horizon Course; 7 members

completed the Registrar Training Course; 54 chapters shared the President Generals message monthly; 47 chapters PR outreach was executed via traditional methods and or social media; 13 chapters submitted to the 'With the Chapters' Section of the Daughters newsletter; 54 chapters gave a three minute report about national defense during a chapter meeting.

CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION: 10 chapters supported local C.A.R Society; 7 members served as senior leaders; 18 visits to NSDAR website; 4 programs presented by C.A.R. members; 12 C.A.R. members in attendance; 20 C.A.R. member invited to attend; 9 chapters participated in the C.A.R. Day of Service; 17 DAR members attended C.A.R. events; 68 DAR members attended C.A.R events; 8 chapters received information about local and state C.A.R. activities; 11 articles promoting C.A.R. members in chapter newsletter; 5 C.A.R. members participated in DAR contests; 33 brochures provided to prospective members; 153 family members eligible for and/or are members of C.A.R.; 8 dual members in the chapter; 1 C.A.R. member joined DAR upon their 22nd birthday; 12 chapters financially supported C.A.R.; \$390 donated to local society; \$660 donated to state society; \$34 donated to National Society (including regional meetings).

**COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS:** 436 members participated in July 4th parades or celebrations; 25 programs commemorated the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; 5 programs commemorated the 50th Anniversary of NASA Space Shuttle Program; 5 commemorated the 100th Anniversary of the signing of the American Indian Citizenship Act; 12 programs commemorated the 125th Anniversary of DAR Hospital Corps; 4 programs commemorated the 125th Anniversary of the Spanish-American War; 12 programs commemorated the 125th Anniversary of John Philip Sousa's march; 1 program commemorated the 125th Anniversary of DAR Participation in the Paris Exposition of 1900; 10 programs commemorated the 150th Anniversary of Yellowstone National Park; 5 programs commemorated the 200th Anniversary of Lafayette Farewell Tour; 47 programs commemorated the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party, the Edenton Tea Party and other historic tea parties; 2 programs celebrated the Legacy of Bernardo de Galvez Expedition; 12 programs commemorated the 250th Anniversary of the US Navy; 31 chapters registered as a Commemorative Partner with The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration.

**COMMUNITY CLASSROOM:** 129 members volunteered in a community classroom; 5,435 children impacted by community classroom; 27 chapters provided financial support to a classroom; 17 chapters participated in National Teacher Appreciation Week; 2 photos submitted for success stories; 0 chapters submitted lesson plans to NVCs Curriculum Resources; 186 chapters submitted lesson plans directly to schools; 2 chapters sponsored an applicant for a DAR American Revolution Legacy Grant; 1 chapter donated a book in support of the a library regarding Veterans Day; \$200 donated; 7 members purchased the "Friends of Education" pin.

**CONSERVATION:** 100 conservation projects completed; 301 meetings included a Conservation Minute; 62 members participated in Arbor Day activities; 167 members planted a pollinator garden; 25 members planted a Never Forget Garden; 3 members visited a DAR Forest; 98 members participated in or organized a community clean-up; 0 chapters awarded a DAR Conservation Medal.

CONSTITUTION WEEK: 31 chapters participated in Bells Across America; 35 chapters contacted one or more mayors for a proclamation; 64 proclamations presented/issued; 50 chapters had a Constitution Week Minute or recited the Preamble at each meeting; 3 chapters contacted state senators or representatives; 10 scheduled and presented a new Constitution Week program; 5 chapters created a program on the founding documents, Founding Fathers or ratification process; 3 chapters participated in the Constitution Week Poster Contest; 190 posters received; 150 schools contacted about Constitution Week; 105 classrooms visited during Constitution Week; 1,532 Constitution Week kits distributed; 294 Constitution Week displays arranged; 380 Constitution Week posters distributed/displayed; 8 Constitution Week billboard/marques displayed; 19 yard signs displayed; 18 garden flags displayed; 4 chapters assisted youth volunteers to host Constitution Week events; 15 chapters contacted local scouts and church groups; 33 chapters contacted local libraries to host an event; 62 media articles; 8 hours of television time; 7 radio stations sent spot announcements; 28 chapters used email to promote Constitution Week; 28 chapters used social media to promote Constitution Week; 27 chapters used resources on the Constitution Week Committee webpage; 7 chapters used internet resources.

**DAR DNA NETWORK:** 17 members submitted a DNA test to NSDAR DNA Project; 40 members attended programs or workshops on DNA; 2 chapters held programs on DNA; 34 members competed GEP4-DNA; 1 application submitted with DNA evidence.

**DAR GOOD CITIZENS:** 72 DAR Good Citizens recognized; 76 entries in the scholarship/essay contest; 144 schools contacted; 72 schools participated; 8 new schools participated; \$6,150 awarded to DAR Good Citizen students.

**DAR MAGAZINE:** 57 chapter regents subscribed to American Spirit; 13 chapters submitted an article for With the Chapters; 32 members always read the American Spirit magazine; 26 members frequently read the American Spirit magazine; 1 member does not frequently read the American Spirit magazine; 0 members never read the American Spirit magazine; 36 members always read the Daughters newsletter; 21 members frequently read the Daughters newsletter; 1 member does not frequently read the Daughters newsletter; 0 members never read the Daughters newsletter; 28 chapters have ongoing programs to encourage members to subscribe to the DAR Magazine.

**DAR MUSEUM OUTREACH:** 7 programs presented by a DAR Museum correspondent docent/trainee; 176 people attended; 12 programs presented on the DAR Museum and its collections; 2 programs presented to another group; 0 chapters had the Museum Shop Trunk Show; 0 chapters had the Portable Education Program; 9 chapters had a Museum Moment at regular meetings; \$779 donated to Friends of the Museum Fund; \$500 donated to Museum Keepers; 1 member served as a Museum Docent; 1 member served as a Correspondent Docent; 21 members attended or were involved with DAR Museum Period Rooms' Open House during Continental Congress.

**DAR PROJECT PATRIOT:** 21 chapters supported National Projects; 36 chapters supported State Projects; 36 chapters participated in Chapter Projects; 161 packages sent to women; 165 packages sent to men; 9,995 coupons sent to military posts; 421 pounds worth of packages sent to military posts; 4,525 cards sent to active service members; \$3,638.72 donated to military support centers; \$8,894.78 donated for state

projects; \$11,411.59 donated for chapter projects; \$23,362.09 donated for national, state and chapter projects.

**DAR SCHOLARSHIP:** 11 chapters shared information on NSDAR scholarships with their community; 19 scholarships awarded; \$8,090 awarded as scholarship; 32 chapters shared information about DAR scholarships with their community.

**DAR SCHOOL:** 16 programs/minutes given at each meeting; 5 chapters provided members with each new edition of the DAR School Sparkler newsletter; 26 donated through the Friends of DAR Schools Fund; 15 members purchased a "Schools are the Jewels of DAR" pin to support the DAR Schools; 32 chapters have a DAR School Committee chair; \$1,253 donated to the DAR Schools through the Friends of DAR Schools fund; 7 chapters have a program, special project, or event promoting DAR Schools or a member volunteer at a DAR School; 114 members viewed the DAR School videos on the DAR School Committee webpage.

**DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS:** 18 chapters registered as a fundraising group; 4,880 wreaths sponsored for Wreaths Across America; 70 Honor Flight missions participated in; 162 youth volunteers; 564 adult volunteers; 395 youth volunteer hours performed; 1,128 VAVS reports shared at chapter meetings; 3 Veteran History Project Interviews; 23,633 miles traveled for volunteer participation; \$22,846 donated to DAR Service for Veterans; \$34,541.98 value of donated items (clothing, food, gifts, games, books, magazines).

**DAR/SAR/S.R. RELATIONS:** 14 chapters have a DAR/SAR/S.R. Relations Committee Chair; 71 joint activities lead and/ or participated in with SAR and S.R. in our shared objectives; 39 joint activities about Historic Preservation, Education, or Preservation; 18 joint activities in Grave Marking; 2 joint activities in Historic Marking; 11 joint activities about Flag Retirement; 42 referrals of husband, son, other relative or friend to a SAR/S.R. for membership; 30 referrals became SAR/S.R.; 3 SAR referrals became DAR; 7 Finder Forms submitted with SAR application; 3 programs presented by DAR member to SAR/S.R. chapter meeting; 8 programs presented by SAR/S.R. members at a DAR chapter meeting; 33 flag ceremonies by SAR Color Guard for DAR events and/or joint events; 23 joint meetings with SAR and guests invited to attend; 0 DAR members joined the SAR Ladies Auxiliary; 0

SAR members; 0 S.R members; 2 pictures/reports of activities submitted to the DAR/SAR/S.R. website.

**GENEALOGICAL RECORDS:** 25 chapters have a Genealogical Records Chair; 5 unpublished pages sent to the Genealogical Records Committee State Chair; 5 pages were Bible records; 6 members participated in abstracting or copying unpublished source records for GRC; 7 members participated in the GRC Book Indexing Project; 11,262 names entered for the GRC Indexing Project.

**HISTORIAN:** 0 medals presented for History Awards; 0 chapters submitted a nomination for NSDAR's Excellence in American History Book Award; 0 chapters submitted a nomination for the NSDAR Excellence in American History Children's Book Award; 2 nominations submitted for Outstanding Teacher of American History Award; 0 chapters applied to place a "Revolutionary America 1775-1783" marker; 9 chapters honored the men and women who achieved American independence in their community.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION: 57 programs on Historic Preservation for DAR Audience; 13 programs on Historic Preservation for Public Audience; 0 chapters entered the Historic Preservation Project Contest; 4 chapters sponsored a DAR Historic Preservation grant applications for other organizations; 0 chapters sponsored a DAR Historic Preservation grant application for chapter projects; 1 chapter sponsored grants for other organizations; 0 chapters sponsored grants for chapter projects; \$0 funded by the DAR Historic Preservation grants program; 2 Medals awarded for Historic Preservation; 1 award presented for Historic Preservation Recognition; 4 Excellence in Preservation Certificates presented; 4 chapters completed NSDAR Historic Sites and Property Report forms; 1 chapter updated information about their property that is listed on the Historic Sites and Property website.

**JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZENS:** 9 JAC groups sponsored; 15 pictures/articles published about JAC activities; 812 children participated in contests; 93 children participated in the Banner contest; 257 children participated in the Stamp contest; 217 children participated in the Poster contest; 0 children participated in the Photo Essay contest; 0 children participated in the Digital contest; 4 children participated in the Poetry contest; 9 children participated in the Short Story contest; 5 individuals participated; 3 groups participated; 862 children involved in

JAC activities; 0 chapters presented a Thatcher Award to a JAC leader; 0 adults awarded: 0 JAC members awarded.

**JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP:** 42 Juniors serve as a chapter chair of a committee; 15 Juniors serve as a chapter officer; 1 Junior serves as a state vice chair; 5 Juniors serve as a state chair; 0 Juniors serve as a state officer; 1 Junior serves as a National Vice Chair; 0 Juniors serve as a National Chair; 32 Junior members joined; 0 chapters had members who became Friends or Best Friends of the Junior Membership Endowment Fund; 1 chapter held a fundraiser for the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund; \$105 raised for the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund.

**LIBRARIAN:** 33 items donated to the DAR Library; 4 programs presented about the DAR Library; 1 member donated to Friends of the Library Fund; 1 member donated to Friends of Seimes Fund; \$70 donated to Friends of the Library Fund; \$152.56 donated to Friends of Seimes Fund; 9 chapters have a book club; 1 chapter celebrated the 125th Anniversary of the DAR Library.

**LINEAGE RESEARCH:** 29 chapters appointed a Lineage Research chair; 68 members serve on Lineage Research Committee; 11 chapters conducted a Lineage Research workshop; 233 members attended Lineage Research workshop; 25 members attended Workshops; 12 members serve on a State Application Team; 73 request for research assistance submitted; 7 requests forwarded to the National Lineage Research Committee; 7 AIR letters received; 9 applications were not submitted to NSDAR; 2 referrals used Lineage research request function; 0 chapters conducted African American Specialty Research; 0 chapters conducted French Canadian Specialty Research; 0 chapters conducted Native American Specialty Research; 0 chapters conducted French Specialty Research; 0 chapters conducted Jewish Specialty Research; 0 chapters conducted Spanish Specialty Research; 19 applications submitted using an Electronic Application; 5 members utilized Lineage Research Virtual Support Consultation for assistance with a Prospective Member application; 6 applications utilized Lineage Research Virtual Support Consultation.

**LITERACY PROMOTION:** 199 members participated in literacy programs; 728 hours tutoring, assisting, and/or promoting literacy in adults; 2,784 hours tutoring, assisting, and/or promoting literacy in children; 3,411 hours tutoring, assisting, and/or promoting literacy in children and adults; 13,909 books donated to promote literacy;

\$4,495.20 given directly to literacy projects; 1 member nominated in the Literacy Promotion Committee contest; 1 project submitted in the Literacy Promotion Committee contest; 2 Literacy Champion Awards presented; 1 chapter created a Literacy Proclamation for a city mayor or county administrator; 1 Literacy Proclamation distributed; 9 meetings presented Literacy Minutes; 6 meetings gave Literacy Promotion programs; 2 Literacy Promotion programs distributed to the community; 10 chapters partnered with community organizations on literacy projects; 6 chapters sponsor and refill a Little Library or similar free book site; 12 locations sponsored.

**MEMBERSHIP:** 27 chapters participated in the Spread the Sparkle Challenge; 24 chapters promote and facilitate membership/dues renewal; 12 chapters participate in the Stop the Drop Initiative.

NATIONAL DEFENSE: 107 programs on National Defense; 430 meetings devoted time to a three-minute report about National Defense; 42 chapters had at least three minutes about National Defense at 100% of meetings; 355 article(s) from the National Defender were used; 8 Gold ROTC awards presented: 17 Bronze ROTC awards presented: 0 DAR Outstanding Cadets honored; 0 DAR Distinguished Citizen Awards presented; 7 DAR Distinguished Citizens honored; 10 Youth Citizenship awards presented; \$525 contributed to the state and local National Defense ROTC/JROTC Cadet Fund; local National Defense award programs; and scholarships or monetary awards ROTC/JROTC/Outstanding Cadets.

**PATRIOT RECORDS PROJECT:** 24 members indexed names for the Patriot Records Project; 41,234 names indexed by members; 13 members supported special projects; 1,618 hours spent indexing Patriot Records.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MEDIA:** 36 chapters have a newsletter; 38 chapters use social media for communication with members; 7 chapters made social media videos to promote chapter activities or membership; 28 chapters have a brochure or fact sheet; 39 chapters received print media coverage; 10 chapters received radio and/or TV broadcast coverage; 22 chapters use a public Facebook page; 0 chapters have a public Instagram account; 0 chapters have other public social media accounts (e.g., Twitter, TikTok, YouTube, etc.); 29 chapters have a public website; 36 chapters initiated publicity for a commemorative

or community event; 39 chapters promoted participation in the Daughters Online Community; 1 media award presented.

**SERVICE TO AMERICA:** 37 chapters included Service to America Minutes at meetings; 47 chapters participated in the National DAR Day of Service; 14 chapters participated in the NSDAR Annual Service to America Project; 19 chapters planned a Service in Seconds project; 10 chapters shared their service projects, photos, and ideas on the DAR Service to America Facebook Group; 19 chapters shared additional meaningful community service projects.

THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: 48 chapters participated in American Flag Programs; 18 chapters participated in Flag Day Ceremonies; 51 chapters participated in Flag Retirement Ceremonies; 48 chapters participated in a Parade Event with an American Flag; 50 chapters had a Library Display; 642 flags retired; 5,620 flags presented; 256 DAR Flag Certificates awarded; 10 flags purchased from the DAR Store which were flown over Constitution Hall; 2,447 copies of the DAR Flag Code brochure distributed; 2,663 copies of the Flag literature distributed; 4 Braille flags presented; 329 Chapter meetings included Flag Minutes.

VOLUNTEER GENEALOGISTS: 81 members are NSDAR Trained Volunteer Genealogists; 22 members have taken the online Genealogy Education Program this year; 23 members took GEP 1 Introduction to Genealogy Research for DAR Applications; 22 members took GEP II Applying Genealogy Research Techniques to DAR Applications; 21 members took GEP III Advanced Problem Solving Techniques for Establishing Lineage and Service on DAR Applications; 15 members took DNA and the DAR; 10 chapters had NSDAR Trained Volunteer Genealogist(s) assigned; 6 chapters would benefit from the assignment of a NSDAR Trained Volunteer Genealogist; 3 chapters requested assistance from the America 250! Membership Task Force; 17 genealogy workshops presented; 16 workshops presented by members trained by National training programs; 187 participants attended; 62 members attended a non-DAR genealogy workshop; 35 members assisted another chapter in need of genealogy help.

**VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SPECIALISTS:** 24 chapters conducted hybrid meetings accessible in person or through video conferencing; 28 prospective members contacted the chapter via the internet; 17 prospective members contacted a chapter via social media;

13 prospective members joined DAR after contacting a chapter through social media; 52 DAR materials distributed electronically.

**WOMEN'S ISSUES:** 23 members participated in the Women's Issues Essay Contest: 16 chapters had programs that Celebrate and Care for Women in Career; 17 chapters had programs that Celebrate and Care for Women in Family; 27 chapters had programs that Celebrate and Care for Women in Health; 12 chapters had programs that Celebrate and Care for Women in Senior Advocacy; 7 chapters had programs that Celebrate and Care for Women in Financial Education; 18 chapters had programs that Celebrate and Care for Women Veterans; 12 programs supporting the National Focus in Career; 14 programs supporting the National Focus in Family; 22 programs supporting the National Focus in Health; 10 programs supporting the National Focus in Senior Advocacy; 8 programs supporting the National Focus in Financial Education; 15 programs supporting the National Focus in Women Veterans; 5 chapters had projects/activities that Celebrate and Care for Women in Career; 18 chapters had projects/activities that Celebrate and Care for Women in Family; 22 chapters had projects/activities that Celebrate and Care for Women in Health; 10 chapters had projects/activities that Celebrate and Care for Women in Senior Advocacy: 5 chapters had projects/activities that Celebrate and Care for Women in Financial Education; 24 chapters had projects/activities that Celebrate and Care for Women Veterans; 2 service projects supporting the National Focus in Career; 14 service projects supporting the National Focus in Family: 14 service projects supporting the National Focus in Health; 8 service projects supporting the National Focus in Senior Advocacy; 3 service projects supporting the National Focus in Financial Education; 21 service projects supporting the National Focus in Women Veterans; 6 members participated in the Women's Issues Essay Contest; 12 National Women's Issues Essays read at chapter meetings; 229 chapter meetings read Women's Issues Minutes; 18 chapters promoted the Celebrate and Care for Women Monthly Themes; 21 chapters promoted the Monthly Themes in chapter meetings; 11 chapters used social media to promote the Monthly Themes; 1 chapter used local media to promote the Monthly Themes; 2 chapters used community events to promote the Monthly Themes; 0 chapters submitted an application for the Vivian's Outreach to Women award.

**STATE MASTER REPORT:** \$0 donated to a state owned property or a facility; \$0 donated for maintenance; \$0 donated to annual financial support to a non-DAR historic property; \$500 donated to a museum/room area in Memorial Continental Hall in 2023: \$0 used for projects involving the digitization of state or local records; \$5,655 awarded for college scholarship or grants; \$0 awarded for program grants/scholarships other than college; \$0 awarded for American History Essay contest winners; \$250 awarded for a State Outstanding Teacher of American History; \$0 awarded for educational programs; \$0 donated to DAR Library; \$0 used for projects in 2023; \$150 donated to the state C.A.R. Society; 1 State DAR Good Citizen recognized; \$1,500 awarded; 43 new Juniors joined; 55 members dropped; 0 new chapters organized; 0 chapters disband; 1 project focused on Historic Preservation; 0 focused on Education; 0 focused on Patriotism; \$5,000 used for project 1; 0 focused on Historic Preservation; 0 focused on Education; \$500 used for project 2; 1 project 3 focused on Education; 0 focused on Patriotism; \$140 used for project 3.

#### 2024 CONTINENTAL CONGRESS AWARDS

# Awards issued to Kansas Society American Heritage

Kansas Society, South Central Division, Second Place, Highest Chapter Participation; Kansas Society, South Central Division, Second Place, Highest Percentage Member Participation; Kansas Society, South Central Division, Third Place, Most Programs and Activities

#### **American Indians**

Kansas Society, Let Your Spirit Sparkle

# **DAR Leadership Training**

Kansas Society, South Central Division for State Level Training Award Sparklers

## **DAR Library Outreach**

Kansas Society, Outstanding Service

# **DAR Project Patriot**

Kansas Society, South Central Division Best State Project Mother's Day Spa Boxes; Kansas Society, South Central Division Special Recognition Each State Sparkles Project 2023

#### **Historic Preservation**

Kansas Society, Participation in National Level Committee
Activities

#### **Junior Membership**

Kansas Society, Junior Membership 5K Red Level Sponsor 2024 Junior Membership 5K

#### **Public Relations and Media**

Kansas Society, State with 90-100% of Chapters with at least 1
Member on the Daughters Online Community; Kansas
Society, State with the Most Members on the Daughters
Online Community

#### Service to America

Kansas Society, 100% Chapter Participation in Logging Service to America Hours; Kansas Society, South Central Division Outstanding Achievement in Exceeding Service to America Hours Goal

#### The Flag of the United States of America

Kansas Society, South Central Division First Place for State with the Most DAR Flag Certificates Presented; Kansas Society, South Central Division Second Place for Most Creative State Program Using Technology

## **Awards listed by Committee**

#### America 250!

Colleen Anderson, Council Oak, South Central Division for Tree Planting in Honor of Female Patriots; Retha Blecha, Kansas Society, Exceptional Service as a National Vice Chair; Jo Lene Thoele, Marais des Cygnes, South Central Division, Chapter Patriot Project; Patricia Unruh, Newton, South Central Division, KSDAR Representative to the Kansas America 250 Commission; Melanie Horton, Polly Ogden, South Central Division, State Chair; Polly Ogden, South Central Division, Thomas Paine's Common Sense Project; Patricia Nickle, Shawnee Mission, South Central Division, American Revolution Flashbacks; Anna Smith, Topeka, South Central Division, Deborah Sampson Program; Marion Nolan, William Wilson, South Central Division, Honoring the Boston Tea

#### **American Indians**

Diana Stanton, Atchison, Chemawa Care Quilts; Atchison, South Central Division, Outstanding Chapter, Chemawa Indian School Quilt Project; Dodge City, South Central Division for Outstanding Chapter Created Display for Kiowa Chief Santana; Barbara Swepston Bushnell, Esther Lowrey, Honoring Your Native American Heritage Recognition Project Participant; Carlotta Munson, Esther Lowrey, Honoring Your Native American Heritage Recognition Project Participant; Sandra Howlett, Flores del Sol, Chemawa Care Quilts; Rebecca Kline, Kansas Society, South Central Division for Outstanding State Regent, Supported Collections for Haskell Indian Nations University; Gene Ann Newcomer, Mission Hills, South Central Division for Outstanding Individual Taught Elementary School Poetry; Newton, South Central Division for Outstanding Chapter participated in Medicine Wheel Ride; Janis Miller, Olathe, South Central Division for Outstanding State Chair; Teresa Bachman, Susannah French Putney, Chemawa Care Quilts; Phyllis Thompson, Three Trails West, Honoring Your Native American Heritage Recognition Project Participant; Sandy Wurth, *Tomahawk*, South Central Division, Outstanding Individual Shawnee Indian Mission; William Wilson, South Central Division, Outstanding Chapter, Celebrated the 145th Anniversary - Battle of Punished Women in Scott County

# **Application Task Force**

Mary Frisch, Mission Hills, Outstanding Service

# **Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission**

Bunnie M. Bowen, *Kansas Society*, Outstanding South Central Division Vice Chair; Denise K. Bullock, *Kansas Society*, Outstanding Rural Concerns National Vice Chair; Janet Alley, *Sagamore*, South Central Division for Innovative Ideas for Member Recruitment and Engagement; Karen Jaax, *Shawnee Mission*, South Central Division for Innovative Ideas for Member Recruitment and Engagement; Laura Kaiser, *Shawnee Mission*, South Central Division for Innovative Ideas for Member Recruitment and Engagement; *Shawnee Mission*, South Central Division for Innovative Ideas for Member Recruitment and Engagement

#### **Commemorative Events**

Captain Jesse Leavenworth, South Central Division Winner,
Second Place for 125th Anniversary of the Premiere of John Philip
Sousa's March. The Stars & Stripes Forever (May 22, 1897);
Council Oak, South Central Division Winner, Third Place, 250th
Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party, the Edenton Tea Party, and
other Historic Tea Parties; John & Hattie Possum, South Central
Division Winner, First Place for Best Multi Chapter Event - 50th
Anniversary Vietnam War Commemorative Event; Sarah Pattee,
Kansas Society, South Central Division for Outstanding State Chair;
Sagamore, Best Multi Chapter Event - 50th Anniversary Vietnam
War Commemorative Event; Tomahawk, South Central Division
Winner, First Place for Best Multi Chapter Event - 50th Anniversary
Vietnam War Commemorative Event

#### **Community Classroom**

Mary Gilpin, Kansas Society, Outstanding Service as State Chair

#### **Community Service Awards**

Edna Wagner, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Outstanding Volunteer Service; Jim Claunch, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Outstanding Volunteer Service; Cory Barnett, Cimarron River Valley, Outstanding Service to Children; Dr. April Terry, PhD, Courtney-Spalding, Outstanding Program - Bonding with Books; Dr. Sarah Broman Miller, PhD, Courtney-Spalding, Outstanding Program -Bonding with Books; Lovina Finders, Flores del Sol, Outstanding Community Service; Grace L. Nilges, General Edward Hand, Outstanding Volunteer Hours to Hospital: Isabella Weldin. Outstanding Service - Thanksgiving Meal to the Community; Gary and Sharon Swanson, John Haupt, Outstanding Donation to City Park; Janet Alley, Kansas Society, Outstanding Service to the Community Service Awards Committee; Anthony Kiwanis, Martha Vail, Outstanding Support of Elementary Schools; Martha Vail, Outstanding Service - Historic Preservation; Linda Underwood, Nathan Edson, Outstanding Fund Raising for those in Need; Kathi Lunday, *Oceanus Hopkins*, Outstanding Service - Ouilts of Valor: Shelley Elizabeth Vittorino, Olathe, Outstanding Volunteer Service; Donna Muiller, Prairie Rose, Outstanding Church Volunteer; Lizzie Place, Sagamore, Outstanding Program - Website Development for Hiking Kansas; Lola Swanson, Sagamore, Outstanding Service -

Crafted Items for Community; Joan Nech, Sarah Steward,
Outstanding Church Volunteer; Anita Anderson, Shawnee Mission,
Outstanding Service to Meals on Wheels; Barbara McEvers,
Shawnee Mission, Outstanding Program - Project 1020; Lt. Col.
John Plumb, Retired, Topeka, Outstanding Museum Volunteer;
Melissa Prins, Where the Trail Divides, Outstanding Program Meals for Kids

#### Conservation

Desire Tobey Sears, Dedication to Conservation; Emporia,
Dedication to Conservation; James Ross, Turkey Creek Clean-Up;
Martha Vail, Dedication to Conservation; Nathan Edson,
Dedication to Conservation; Amanda Sparks, Sagamore,
Outstanding Service for Schoolyard Garden; Rebecca Roth,
Sagamore, Outstanding Service for Junior Masters Gardeners
Education; Shawnee Mission, Dedication to Conservation;
Tomahawk, Arbor Day Campaign

#### **Constitution Week**

Marais des Cygnes, Honorable Mention South Central Division Best Chapter Constitution Week Promotion: School Programs

#### **DAR Good Citizens**

Captain Jesse Leavenworth, South Central Division - Dazzle Award; Olivia Kaelyn Peters, John & Hattie Possum, Scholarship Essay Contest State Winner; John & Hattie Possum, South Central Division - Glimmer Award; Brenda Bowman, Kansas Society, South Central Division - Sparkle in Service Award; Grant Jones, Kansas Society, South Central Division - Sparkle in Service Award; Vicki Strelow, Little Arkansas, South Central Division Shining Star Award; Marguerite Durbin, Olathe, South Central Division Sparkle in Service

# **DAR Leadership Training**

Courtney-Spalding, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; Esther Lowrey, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Shooting Stars; Esther Lowrey, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; Flores del Sol, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; Isabella Weldin, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; John & Hattie Possum, South Central Division Chapter Level Training

Award Shooting Stars; John & Hattie Possum, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; John Haupt, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; Little Arkansas, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; Martha Vail, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Shooting Stars; Martha Vail. South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; Mission Hills, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; Nathan Edson, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars: Olathe, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award North Stars; Olathe, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Shooting Stars; Olathe, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; Polly Ogden, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars; Shawnee Mission, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award North Stars; Shawnee Mission, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Shooting Stars; Shawnee Mission, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars: Three Trails West, South Central Division Chapter Level Training Award Twinkling Stars

# **DAR Library Outreach**

Courtney-Spalding, Outstanding Service; Alice J. Bachand, Kansas Society, Outstanding Service; Connie Becker, Kansas Society, Outstanding Service; Sarah Miller, Kansas Society, Outstanding Service

# **DAR Magazine**

Rebecca Kline, *Kansas Society*, The state with 100% chapter participation for advertising - 2023

#### **DAR Museum Outreach**

Kimberly Patrick, *Olathe*, South Central Division Outstanding Service by earning her Correspondent Docent pin

# **DAR Project Patriot**

Leslie Stair, *Esther Lowrey*, South Central Division Special Recognition Each State Sparkles in 2023; *Esther Lowrey*, South Central Division Outstanding Military Support Care Package Support; *Esther Lowrey*, South Central Division Special Recognition Each State Sparkles Project 2023; *Flores del Sol*, South

Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB; James Ross, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military HUGS for Fort Riley; John & Hattie Possum. South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military HUGS for Fort Riley; John Haupt, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military HUGS for Fort Riley; Ilene McKaig, Kansas Society, South Central Division Exceptional Service as a State Chair; Susan Newman, Kansas Society, South Central Division Second Place Exceptional Service as a Division Vice Chair; Little Arkansas, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB; Barbara Shropshire, Mission Hills, South Central Division - Outstanding Military Support by an Individual; Mission Hills, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military HUGS for Fort Riley; Mission Hills, South Central Division Exceptional Military Support Best Overall; Mission Hills, South Central Division Special Recognition Each State Sparkles Project 2023; Barbara Degraffenried, Newton, South Central Division - Outstanding Military Support by an Individual; Newton, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB; Newton, South Central Division Outstanding Military Support; Olathe, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military HUGS for Fort Riley; Charmaine Elven, Quivira Crossing, South Central Division - Outstanding Military Support by an Individual; Katana Ewbank, *Ouivira Crossing*, South Central Division Special Recognition Each State Sparkles in 2023; *Quivira* Crossing, South Central Division Special Recognition Each State Sparkles Project 2023; Quivira Crossing, South Central Division Outstanding Military Support Brooke Army Medical Center USO Warrior and Family Support Center; Randolph Loving, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB; Sagamore, South Central Division Outstanding Military Support Cards to the Military; Shawnee Mission, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military HUGS for Fort Riley; Three Trails West, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military HUGS for Fort Riley; Tomahawk, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military HUGS for Fort Riley; Topeka, South Central Division Outstanding Military Support Brooke Army Medical Center USO Warrior and Family Support

Center; Mary A. Foley, *Where the Trail Divides*, South Central Division Outstanding Military Support Brooke Army Medical Center USO Warrior and Family Support Center; *William Wilson*, South Central Division Best Event Supporting the Military Trunk-or-Treat at McConnell AFB

#### **DAR School**

Susan Cornelsen, *James Ross*, South Central Division Outstanding State Chair

#### **DAR Service for Veterans**

Nathan Edson, South Central Division National for Outstanding Achievement WAA; Oceanus Hopkins, South Central Division National for Outstanding Achievement WAA

#### The Flag of the United States of America

Kathy Hays, Kansas Society, South Central Division Second Place for Most Outstanding State Chair; Oceanus Hopkins, South Central Division Second Place for Most Creative Chapter Program Using Technology; Olathe, South Central Division First Place Best Chapter Program by Division; Shawnee Mission, South Central Division First Place for Chapter with the Most DAR Flag Certificates Presented

#### **Historic Preservation**

Bunnie Bowen, *John & Hattie Possum*, Outstanding Contribution to Historic Preservation; Gerry Winters, *Kansas Society*, Outstanding Report by a State Chair; Lisa King, *Sagamore*, Certificate of Excellence

# Insignia

Colleen Anderson, Kansas Society, Outstanding Insignia Display

# **Junior American Citizenship**

Donna Roberts, *Kansas Society*, State Chair; Haley Popelka, *Kansas Society*, Division Vice Chair South Central - Service and Creative Expressions Contest

# Junior Membership

Jillian Goss Pence, Kansas Society, State Outstanding Junior

#### Lineage Research

Crouse Kerma, Desire Tobey Sears, South Central Division Outstanding Service; Retha Blecha, Desire Tobey Sears, South Central Division Outstanding Service; Vicki Timmons, Flores del Sol, South Central Division Outstanding Service; Bunnie Bowen, John & Hattie Possum, South Central Division Outstanding Service: Mary Beth Peach. Jonathan Gilbert. South Central Division Outstanding Service; Jo Lene Thoele, Marais des Cygnes, South Central Division Outstanding Service; Arlene Watkins, Mission Hills, South Central Division Outstanding Service; Charlene Yuengert, Olathe, South Central Division Outstanding Service; Laura Easley, Olathe, South Central Division Outstanding Service: Robin Kern, Olathe, South Central Division Outstanding Service; Elizabeth Winterbone, Randolph Loving, South Central Division Outstanding Service; Ladonna Weltmer, Sarah Steward, South Central Division Outstanding Service; Lillian Snodgrass, Sarah Steward, South Central Division Outstanding Service: Patricia Spencer, Shawnee Mission, South Central Division Outstanding Lineage Research

#### **Master Reports**

Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award Fifty Members or Less Arthur Barrett, Cimarron River Valley, Council Oak, Desire Tobey Sears, Ephraim Basehor, Esther Lowrey, Four Winds, James Ross, John & Hattie Possum, John Haupt, Little Arkansas, Martha Loving Ferrell, Newton, Oceanus Hopkins, Prairie Flint Hills, Smoky Hill, Where the Trail Divides, William Wilson

# Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award Fifty-One to One Hundred Members

Courtney-Spalding, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, General Edward Hand, Marais des Cygnes, Martha Vail, Mary Wade Strother, Nathan Edson, Olathe, Quivira Crossing, Randolph Loving, Sagamore, Susannah French Putney, Tomahawk

Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award One Hundred Fifty-One

Members and Higher

Shawnee Mission

# Blue Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award One Hundred One to One Hundred Fifty Members

Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Mission Hills, Polly Ogden, Three Trails West, Topeka

Red Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award Fifty Members or Less Atchison, Emporia, Isabella Weldin, Jonathan Gilbert, Kanza, Mary Draper, Wichita, Wyandot

# Red Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award Fifty-One to One Hundred Members

Betty Washington, Dodge City, Prairie Rose

White Ribbon Chapter Achievement Award Fifty Members or Less Fort Larned, Good-Land, Jane Dean Coffey, John Athey, Molly Foster Berry, Samuel Linscott

#### **Membership**

Arthur Barrett, South Central Division Best Recruitment Activity Chapters fewer than 50 members; Arthur Barrett, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Arthur Barrett, Zero Drops and Resignations; Betty Washington, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Cimarron River Valley, Zero Drops and Resignations; Cofachique, Zero Drops and Resignations; Dodge City, Zero Drops and Resignations; Esther Lowrey, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Fort Larned, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Fort Larned, Zero Drops and Resignations; Four Winds, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Four Winds, Zero Drops and Resignations; General Edward Hand, Zero Drops and Resignations; James Ross, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; James Ross, Zero Drops and Resignations; John Haupt, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Jonathan Gilbert, Zero Drops and Resignations; Kanza, Zero Drops and Resignations; Little Arkansas, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Martha Loving Ferrell, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Martha Vail, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Martha Vail, Zero Drops and Resignations; Mission Hills, South Central Division Best Retention Activity Chapters with 101-150 members; Mission Hills, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Newton, Zero Drops and Resignations; Oceanus Hopkins, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Olathe, South Central Division Best Retention Activity Chapters with 51-100 members; Olathe, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Polly Ogden, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Polly Ogden, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; Prairie Flint Hills, Zero Drops and

Resignations; *Quivira Crossing*, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; *Randolph Loving*, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; *Sagamore*, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; *Sarah Steward*, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; *Shawnee Mission*, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; *Susannah French Putney*, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; *Susannah French Putney*, Zero Drops and Resignations; *Tomahawk*, Spread the Sparkle Challenge; *Where the Trail Divides*, Zero Drops and Resignations; *William Wilson*, Spread the Sparkle Challenge

# **NSDAR Technology Support**

Margaret Bates, Prairie Rose, Exceptional Work of the Help Desk

#### **Patriot Records Project**

Barbara Craine, *Sagamore*, Outstanding Service as a Volunteer; Barbara Craine, *Sagamore*, Outstanding Service as Certifier

#### **Public Relations & Media**

Abilene, South Central Division Second Place for Best Print Coverage; James Ross, Third Place (tie) for Chapter with most members on the Daughters Online Community by amount (50 members or less); John & Hattie Possum, Kansas Chapter with the Largest Percentage of Members on the Daughters Online Community; John & Hattie Possum, Third Place for Chapter with largest percentage of members on the Daughters Online Community by amount (50 members or less); Marais des Cygnes, South Central Division Third Place for Best Print Coverage; Sagamore, Best Promotion of the DOC by a Chapter

# Registrar General's Member Supplement Project

Marla Slaughter, *Betty Washington*, Outstanding Volunteer; Linda Jensen, *Captain Jesse Leavenworth*, Outstanding Volunteer; Bunnie Bowen, *John & Hattie Possum*, Outstanding Volunteer

#### **Service to America Committee**

Susan Davis, *Kansas Society*, South Central Division Outstanding Service as a State Chair

# **Volunteer Genealogists**

Beverly Yates, *Kansas Society*, Virtual Balcony Volunteer; Brenda Dooley, *Kansas Society*, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Bunnie Bowen, *Kansas Society*, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Gayla

Hoyt, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Laura Renfro, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Leslie Harris, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Linda Jensen, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Marla Slaughter, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Mary Hoyt, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Melissa Precht, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Rebecca Spaulding, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Retha Blecha, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Retha Blecha, Kansas Society, Virtual Balcony Volunteer; Susan Cowan, Kansas Society, 2023 Congress Balcony Volunteer; Trich Spencer, Kansas Society, Virtual Balcony Volunteer

#### **Volunteer Information Specialists**

Margaret Huffman and Janet Zayas, Arthur Barrett, Outstanding Use of Technology; Sharon Teagarden-King, Arthur Barrett, Outstanding Use of Technology; Sue Etelemaki, Arthur Barrett, Outstanding Use of Technology; Ashley Mayer, Betty Washington, Outstanding Use of Technology; Monna Metzger, Council Oak, Outstanding Use of Technology; Diana Crouch, Courtney-Spalding, Outstanding Use of Technology; Sherry Koster, Desire Tobey Sears, Outstanding Use of Technology; Machele Korhn, Esther Lowrey, Outstanding Use of Technology; Dana Russell, Eunice Sterling, Outstanding Use of Technology; Mary Ayers, Eunice Sterling, Outstanding Use of Technology; Amanda Herron, Isabella Weldin, Outstanding Use of Technology; Jamie Barton, Isabella Weldin, Outstanding Use of Technology; Kelly Flanders, James Ross, Outstanding Use of Technology; Debi Price, John & Hattie Possum, Outstanding Use of Technology; Dee Clark, John & Hattie Possum, Outstanding Use of Technology; Sharon Maurath, John Athey, Outstanding Use of Technology; Mary Beth Peach, Jonathan Gilbert, Outstanding Use of Technology; Gayle Bigelow, Kanza, Outstanding Use of Technology; Jody Lane, Marais des Cygnes, Outstanding Use of Technology; Melissa Stuchlik, Mary Wade Strother, Outstanding Use of Technology; Arlene Watkins, Mission Hills, Outstanding Use of Technology; Whitney Henson, Mission Hills, Outstanding Use of Technology; Donita Dupslaff, Oceanus Hopkins, Outstanding Use of Technology; Meili Brady, Olathe, Outstanding Use of Technology; Melissa Precht, Olathe, Outstanding Use of Technology; Kathy Dzewaltowski, Polly

Ogden, Outstanding Use of Technology; Barb Knopke, Prairie Rose, Outstanding Use of Technology; Mary Druding, Randolph Loving, Outstanding Use of Technology; Pam Knutson, Sagamore, Outstanding Use of Technology; Rebecca Roth, Sagamore, Outstanding Use of Technology; Karen Weis, Sarah Steward, Outstanding Use of Technology; Ladonna Weltmer, Sarah Steward, Outstanding Use of Technology; Karen Jaax, Shawnee Mission, Outstanding Use of Technology; Amanda Wininger, Three Trails West, Outstanding Use of Technology; Barb Wormington, Three Trails West, Outstanding Use of Technology; Corinee Hembree, Three Trails West, Outstanding Use of Technology; Ilene McKaig, Three Trails West, Outstanding Use of Technology; Jennifer Jarrell, Three Trails West, Outstanding Use of Technology; Karen Reda, Three Trails West, Outstanding Use of Technology; Meredith Kluiter, Three Trails West, Outstanding Use of Technology; Becky Spaulding, Topeka, Outstanding Use of Technology; Becky Spaulding, *Topeka*, South Central Division for Exceptional Service to the National VIS Committee VIS Website Approval Assistant; Marty Flanagan, *Topeka*, Outstanding Use of Technology; Tonya Flores, Topeka, Outstanding Use of Technology; Dana Pfanenstiel, William Wilson, Outstanding Use of Technology; Kay Hoskinson, William Wilson, Outstanding Use of Technology; Kayla Roehler, Wyandot, Outstanding Use of Technology

#### Women's Issues

Flores del Sol, First Place for South Central Division Program Physical Health Walk Transplant Services; Delores Clark, Kansas Society, Outstanding Service Kansas State Chair; Nathan Edson, First Place for South Central Division National Winner Chapter Programs 12 or More; Nathan Edson, First Place for South Central Division Program Physical Health Walk Kansas program

# STATE REGENT'S CALENDAR 2023-2024

<u>August 2023</u>				
12	Hays	Western Workshop		
24	Zoom	Finance Committee		
25	Wichita	SAR Division Meeting		
27	Zoom	Executive Meeting		
31	Zoom	Membership Committee		

September 2023				
6	Zoom	State Meetings		
14-16	Hays	First Fall Forum		
20	Topeka	Kansas 250 Meeting		
26	Zoom	State Meetings Team		
27	Zoom	Torch Talk Team		
28	Zoom	Membership Committee		
30	Garnett	Southeast District Meeting		
Octobe	er 2023	•		
4-7	Washington D.C.	National Board of Management		
13	Council Grove	Dedication of Tree – Council Oak Chapter		
22	Leavenworth	Greenwood Cemetery – Captain Jesse		
		Leavenworth Chapter		
25	Overland Park	Shawnee Mission Chapter Metzger		
		presentation		
27	Wichita	Official Visit – Eunice Sterling and Martha		
		Loving Ferrell Chapters		
28	Wichita	Official Visit – Mary Draper, Flores del Sol,		
		and Wichita Chapters		
29	Zoom	Executive Committee		
Novem	ber 2023			
4	Valley Center	Official Visit – Newton, Little Arkansas, and		
	•	Uvedale Chapters		
5	Zoom	Junior Membership Committee		
9	Stillwell	Official Visit – <i>Three Trails West</i> Chapter		
11	Leavenworth	Leavenworth Veterans Day Parade & Wreath		
		Laying at Buffalo Soldiers Monument, Fort		
		Leavenworth		
14	DeSoto	Official Visit – John & Hattie Possum		
		Chapter		
15	Zoom	Torch Talk Team		
18	Lawrence	Official Visit – Betty Washington Chapter		
December 2023				
2	Bonner Springs	Wyandot Chapter 70 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary and		
		Service Project		
5-7	Washington, D.C.	NSDAR Christmas Open House		
11	Leawood	Mrs. Frisch, Outstanding Women in		
		American History Award – Mission Hills		
		Chapter		

14	Overland Park	Tomahawk Chapter Christmas Luncheon and
		Wright Memorial
16	Overland Park	Wreaths Across America – Laid wreaths at
		Johnson County Memorial Gardens
<u>Januar</u>	<u>y 2024</u>	
4	Overland Park	Official Visit – <i>Sagamore</i> Chapter
7	Zoom	Junior Membership Committee
13	Zoom	Executive Committee Retreat
22	Zoom	Membership Committee
30	Zoom	Torch Talk Team
Februa	ary 2024	
7-10	Washington,	National Board of Management
	D.C.	
13	Zoom	State Scholarship Committee
17	Overland Park	SAR George Washington Luncheon
20	Wichita	Marriott Hotel State Conference Planning
24	Shawnee	Northeast District Workshop
29	Auburn, AL	Alabama State Conference
March		
1-3	Auburn, AL	Alabama State Conference
9	Atchison	Official Visit – <i>Atchison</i> Chapter
13-16	Southbridge,	Massachusetts State Conference
	MA	
20	Valley Falls	Official Visit – John Haupt Chapter
22-24	Las Vegas, NV	Nevada State Conference
30	Gardner	Where The Trail Divides Veterans Pinning
	1024	Ceremony
April 2		
13	Blue Rapids	Official Visit – Arthur Barrett Chapter
15	Overland Park	Official Visit – Mission Hills Chapter
24-28	Wichita	Kansas Society State Conference
May 20		Official Visit Durinia Dans Chanton
•	Overland Park	Official Visit – Prairie Rose Chapter
17 18	Independence	Official Visit – Esther Lowrey Chapter
21	Lake Quivira	Official Visit – James Ross Chapter
<i>L</i> 1	Dunlap	Official Visit – <i>Council Oak</i> and <i>Emporia</i>
		Chapters

# June 2024

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1	Alcove Spring	Trails Head Chapter, Oregon-California		
		Trails Association Bus Tour and Sarah Keyes		
		Remembrance		
8	Leavenworth	Official Visit – Captain Jesse Leavenworth,		
		Ephraim Basehor, and Wyandot Chapters		
11	Zoom	Membership Committee		
15	Mankato	Desire Tobey Sears 100th Anniversary		
22-30	Washington,	133 <sup>rd</sup> Continental Congress and National		
	D.C.	Board of Management		

Bylaws
And
Standing Rules
Of the
Kansas Society
Of the
National Society
Of the
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American Revolution

# CORPORATE CHARTER OF THE KANSAS SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

FIRST: The Name of the corporation is the KANSAS SOCIETY of the NATIONAL SOCIETY of the DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

SECOND: The name and address of its Resident Agent in this State is Janet Lake, State Treasurer, 22603 W. 72nd St., Shawnee, KS 66227-2638.

THIRD: This Corporation is organized NOT for profit, and the objects and purposes to be transacted and carried on are:

- (1) To perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence; by the acquisition and protection of historical spots and the erection of monuments; by the encouragement of historical research in relation to the American Revolution and the publication of its results; by the preservation of documents and relics, and of the records of the individual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots; and by the promotion of celebration of all patriotic anniversaries.
- (2) To carry out the injunction of Washington in his farewell address to the American people, "to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge," thus developing an enlightened public opinion, and according to young and old such advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing the duties of American citizens.
- (3) To cherish, maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, to foster true patriotism and love of country, and to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.
- (4) This corporation shall have power to receive title to real and personal property by gift, devise, bequest or purchase; to own, hold, sell, convey, lease and re-lease, let and sublet real and personal

property; and to manage, invest, reinvest or disburse the funds that may accrue from the holdings of such property in the manner provided by the Bylaws of the Kansas Society as now constituted or as hereafter amended. This corporation shall have the power to sue and to be sued.

No officer, director or member of this corporation shall be individually liable for the obligations of the corporation.

These articles may be amended by two-thirds vote, provided a copy of the proposed amendment has been sent to all chapters of the Kansas Society at least thirty days prior to the Annual State Conference of the Kansas Society. This corporation shall have such other authority as may be provided in the Bylaws of the Kansas Society, not in contravention of the provisions of this Charter or the laws of the State of Kansas.

This corporation shall not have authority to issue capital stock.

FOURTH: The elected officers of the Kansas Society shall constitute the Board of Directors of this corporation and shall be the managers of the business of the corporation and shall hold, manage and control all property of the corporation.

The members of the Kansas Society and all persons who shall hereafter become members, who are in good standing under the Bylaws of said Society, shall be members of this corporation.

FIFTH: The term for which this corporation is to exist is ONE HUNDRED YEARS.

#### ATTEST:

2021

Janet Lake

KSDAR State Treasurer

Filed: 2021

The Office of the Secretary of State,

State Capitol, Topeka, Kansas

# BYLAWS OF THE KANSAS SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Revised by the Ninety-third KSDAR Conference March 6, 1991 Amended 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

#### **ARTICLE I - Name**

The name of this society shall be the Kansas Society of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, hereinafter referred to as KSDAR.

#### **ARTICLE II - Object**

The objects of this Society shall be to promote the objects of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, hereinafter referred to as the National Society.

- (1) To perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence, by the acquisition and protection of historical spots and the erection of monuments; by the encouragement of historical research in relation to the Revolution and publication of its results; by the preservation of documents and relics, and of the records of the individual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots; and by the promotion of celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries;
- (2) To carry out the injunction of Washington in his farewell address to the American people, "to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge," thus developing an enlightened public opinion, and affording to young and old such advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing the duties of American citizens;
- (3) To cherish, maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; to foster true patriotism and love of country, and to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.

#### **ARTICLE III - Members**

**Section 1. Membership.** The membership of the state society shall consist of the chapters in good standing of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in the State of Kansas.

**Section 2. New Chapters.** The Recording Secretary shall enroll a chapter newly confirmed by the National Society as a member of the Kansas Society upon receipt of the following information from the chapter: name of the chapter; the date of its organization; the names of its officers and of its members. This notification shall cause the newly confirmed chapter to be enrolled as a member of the Kansas Society and to belong to a District according to its location.

#### **ARTICLE IV - Fees and Dues**

**Section 1. Annual Dues.** The annual state dues for each chapter shall be \$10.00 per member which shall be sent by the chapter treasurer and shall be postmarked no later than December 1. A chapter whose dues have not been paid before December 1 shall be notified by the state treasurer that the chapter shall not be entitled to representation at the state conference. The fiscal year of the Kansas Society shall be January 1 through December 31.

**Section 2. Dues.** Dues for a member admitted or reinstated on or after July 5 shall be credited for the upcoming dues year, which begins December 1.

# Section 3. Additional Payments.

(a) Each year, the State Treasurer shall set aside from the annual state dues received from each chapter member five cents for the support of the Kansas State Society Children of the American Revolution. The KSDAR State Treasurer shall forward these funds to the K.S.C.A.R. Senior State Treasurer.

#### **ARTICLE V - Officers**

**Section 1. Officers.** The elected officers of the Kansas Society shall be a regent, a vice regent, a chaplain, recording secretary, a corresponding secretary, organizing secretary, treasurer, a registrar, a historian, a librarian, and reporter.

#### Section 2. Eligibility.

- (a) To be eligible for the office of State Regent or State Vice Regent, a member shall hold and have held membership in a chapter within Kansas for at least five (5) years prior to her election and have served a term as chapter regent. To be eligible for any other state office, a member of the National Society shall have held membership in a chapter within the state of Kansas for at least two years.
- (b) A member holding two or more offices each carrying a vote at an annual state conference shall be limited to vote only in one of the offices held by said member.
- (c) Any member seeking to serve as a State officer shall be a member in good standing from a Chapter in good standing and not in violation of NSDAR or KSDAR bylaws. (See Article XIII, Chapters, Section 1. Officers, paragraphs 2 and 3.)
- (d) No member, except the State Treasurer, shall be eligible to the same office for two successive terms, and no member who has served two terms in any state office shall be eligible to any other state office, except that of State Regent or State Vice Regent, until the expiration of at least one year. No member shall be eligible for any state office as a district officer elect.
- (e) A member having served more than one-half of a term in a state office shall be deemed to have served a term.
- **Section 3. Term.** The officers of the Kansas Society shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected. The term of office shall begin no earlier than at the close of the Continental Congress at which the Regent and Vice Regent are confirmed.
- **Section 4. Expenses.** The expenses of the State Officers, as approved in the budget, shall be submitted as itemized statements in writing, with receipts, to the State Regent, who shall present them to the State Treasurer for authorized payment. Requests to be reimbursed for additional expenses shall be submitted as itemized statements in writing, with receipts, to the Executive Committee for its action.
- **Section 5. Vacancies.** If the office of State Regent becomes vacant, the State Vice Regent shall become State Regent automatically provided she has been confirmed as State Vice Regent.

Vacancies in other state offices shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Committee, with the approval of the State Board of Management, until the next regular meeting of the State Conference, when the vacancy for the unexpired term shall be filled by the Kansas Society.

**Section 6. Automatic Resignation.** Any State Officer unable to carry out the duties of her office for a period of six months automatically relinquishes her position as a State Officer, unless ruled otherwise by the State Regent with the approval of the Executive Committee.

**Section 7. Honorary State Regent.** In recognition of valuable service to the Kansas Society, a member who has served as State Regent, upon her retirement from office, may be elected Honorary State Regent for life. Election shall be at State Conference and may be by voice vote. An Honorary State Regent is entitled to a vote at the State Conference.

#### **ARTICLE VI - Nominations and Elections**

**Section 1. Election.** The officers of the Kansas Society shall be elected at the State Conference every third year, coinciding with the year of election of National Executive Officers.

The election shall be by ballot unless there is but one nominee for each office, in which case, by general consent, the written ballot may be dispensed with and the vote for the entire ticket taken by voice. Should a written ballot be necessary, it shall be prepared by the chair of the Nominating Committee.

(a) Nominations. During an election year for KSDAR state officers the announcement of upcoming elections and call for chapters to consider proposing nominations to state office shall be published in the September issue of the Cyber Sunflower.

# Section 2. Nominating Committee.

(a) **Members.** The Nominating Committee shall be composed of five members. The chair and an alternate shall be elected at the Fall Forum State Board of Management meeting during the third year of each administration. Each District shall elect one committee member and an alternate at its annual District meeting which follows.

In order to be eligible to serve as a District representative on the committee, the member must have held membership in the District, from which she is being nominated, for a minimum of three years, and have served at the state level in an appointed or elected position. She must be a member in good standing and not in violation of NSDAR or State Bylaws. (See Article XIII, Chapters, Section 1. Officers, paragraphs 2 and 3.)

No member shall be eligible to serve on the Nominating Committee for consecutive terms.

(b) **Duties.** No later than one week after the nominating committee is elected, the chair of the nominating committee shall notify, by email to the State Reporter and to all chapter regents, a reminder of the impending election and shall indicate where nominations are to be sent and the final date on which the names of members who consent to be considered for state offices shall be received from the chapters.

The notice shall also appear in the first regularly published issue of the Cyber Sunflower following the announcement.

- (c) The committee shall select one nominee for each office. In its selection of candidates, the committee shall endeavor to represent each of the four Districts.
- (d) A chapter may endorse more than one member for office. However, no chapter shall have more than one member serving as a State Officer at a time.
- (e) Any member desiring to be considered by the nominating committee for election to a state office must provide a fully executed chapter endorsement form, signed by the Chapter Regent and the Chapter Recording Secretary, and received by the chair of the nominating committee no later than December 15.
- (f) By January 15, the report of the Nominating Committee shall be sent to the State Officers, the Honorary State Regents, and the Chapter Regents. The report of the Nominating Committee shall be presented at the State Conference. The same report shall appear in the first regularly published issue of the Cyber Sunflower immediately following the January 15th date.

- (g) Nominations may be made from the floor, provided the consent of the floor nominee has been obtained and the nominee has the fully executed chapter endorsement form signed by the chapter regent and the chapter recording secretary ready for immediate submission to the nominating committee chair.
- **Section 3. Vice President General.** A candidate for Vice President General from Kansas shall be endorsed by a majority vote by ballot at a State Conference. No endorsement for Vice President General shall be made more than eighteen months in advance of the Continental Congress so designated in the motion.

**Section 4. Emergency Situations.** If an emergency situation is declared by the Executive Committee, then an anonymous vote conducted through the designated virtual service shall be deemed a ballot vote fulfilling any requirement in the bylaws or rules that a vote be conducted by ballot.

#### **ARTICLE VII - Duties of Officers**

**Section 1. General Duties.** The officers of the Kansas Society shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws, the Bylaws of the National Society and by its parliamentary authority.

Each State Officer shall prepare an annual report of less than 200 words: 10 days before the beginning of State Conference, one copy shall be sent to the State Regent and one copy to the State Recording Secretary. Reports may be submitted electronically. These annual reports shall be presented at the State Conference and shall be published in the *Annual Report and Proceedings*.

Within thirty days after Continental Congress, each retiring State Officer, with the exception of the State Recording Secretary, shall deliver to her successor a written procedure of the requirements of her office, a list of the KSDAR property in her custody, and all records and property of the Kansas Society, and she shall obtain a receipt for these items. A duplicate of the list of the KSDAR property in custody shall be sent to the State Regent. The State Recording Secretary's deadline shall be September 1.

# Section 2. State Regent.

(a) The State Regent shall preside at all meetings of the State Conference, the State Board of Management, and the Executive Committee.

- (b) She shall be the executive officer and shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Kansas Society. She shall ensure compliance with KSDAR Bylaws and NSDAR rulings in accordance with NSDAR Bylaw Article XV, States, Section 10.
- (c) She shall appoint all committees except the Nominating Committee, naming the chair of each; shall be ex officio a member of all committees except the Nominating Committee;
- (d) shall appoint a State Parliamentarian;
- (e) shall sign checks and authorization for checks drawn on the Kansas Society accounts;
- (f) shall plan the schedule for the Fall Forum and shall plan and prepare the program for the State Conference.
- (g) Signature cards for all bank accounts shall bear her signature.
- (h) She shall receive from the State Officers and the State Committee Chairs all statements of expenses, as approved in the budget, and present them to the State Treasurer for authorized payment.
- (i) She shall send each Chapter Regent the names and addresses of the State Chairs of the national committees and of any other appointees and shall notify the Chapter Regents of all changes in personnel and addresses of National and State Officers and appointees.
- (j) She shall notify the state recording secretary and state webmaster of the names and contact information for the chapter regents by August 1<sup>st</sup> for each year of her administration.
- (k) She shall endeavor to visit each chapter in the Kansas Society at least once during her term of office.
- (1) Prior to their publication, the State Regent shall approve the final copies of the "Kansas DAR News" and the *KSDAR Annual Report and Proceedings*.
- (m) The State Regent shall have the privilege of promoting a Patriotic, Historical, or Educational Project during her term of office.
- (n) The accumulated monies shall be deposited in a special fund designated by the State Regent. The allocated funds shall be limited to the actual cost of the project, except that Educational

Projects shall be exempt from this rule. Should the original project of the State Regent be oversubscribed during her term of office, she shall have the privilege of specifying a state project to receive the oversubscription within ninety days of going out of office. No pledges or contributions to a State Regent's Project shall be dated later than the last day of her administration.

#### Section 3. State Vice Regent.

- (a) In the absence or inability of the State Regent, the State Vice Regent shall perform the duties of the office of State Regent.
- (b) The State Vice Regent shall preside at the Chapter Regent's function at the State Conference.
- (c) In addition, she may prepare for the recognition of the Outstanding Chapter and Chapter Regent according to the established Guidelines.
- (d) She shall receive from the Chapter Regents their annual lists of names and email addresses of Chapter Chairs of state and national committees; she shall collate for each State Committee Chair a listing of the Chapter Chairs of her committee.
- (e) She shall receive from Chapter Regents their chapter yearbooks.
- (f) She shall perform any other duties designated to her by the State Regent.

# Section 4. State Chaplain.

- (a) The State Chaplain shall open and close meetings of the Kansas Society with the reading of scripture and prayer and conduct such religious services as occasion may require.
- (b) She shall conduct a Memorial Service at each State Conference; she shall prepare a list of members who have died since the previous State Conference and shall provide that list to the State Registrar; she shall prepare the memorial program, including member tributes as necessary, and provide it in a printable format to the State Recording Secretary. Programs shall be made available to all attending the Memorial Service and included in the KSDAR Annual Report and Proceedings.

- (c) She shall prepare the Necrology Report each year and provide the list to the State Regent and the State Recording Secretary. The Necrology Report shall be printed in the KSDAR Annual Report and Proceedings.
- (d) She shall provide the Report of Deceased DAR Member form for publication on the Kansas Society members only website.
- (e) She shall send notes of sympathy to the families of recently deceased members. She may send additional Sunshine Greetings to members on behalf of the State Society.
- (f) She shall be responsible for oversight and care of the Kansas Chapel at NSDAR to include: ensure annual updates to the Memorial Book are recorded; ensure sufficient inventory of information brochures are available; provide the NSDAR Beautification and Grounds Committee with required maintenance and repair needs; place a floral memorial in memory of Mrs. Guernsey during Continental Congress; she may, at the request of the State Regent, host a reception in the Kansas Chapel during Continental Congress;
- (g) and any other duties as directed by the State Regent.

#### **Section 5. State Recording Secretary.**

- (a) The State Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Kansas Society, the State Board of Management, the Executive Committee, and the Finance Committee.
- (b) She shall notify State Officers, Chapter Regents and State Committee Chairs of any actions taken at these meetings affecting their duties.
- (c) She shall maintain the official membership roll of the State Board of Management.
- (d) She may cosign checks drawn on the Kansas Society accounts. She shall be a member of the Finance Committee.
- (e) Each year she shall maintain copies of the annual reports of State Officers, Chapter Regents, District Directors, and State Committee Chairs until published in the KSDAR Annual Report and Proceedings.

- (f) It shall be the duty of the State Recording Secretary to compile, edit and publish the *Annual Report and Proceedings* of the State Conference. A committee to assist with this duty may be selected by the State Recording Secretary. She shall provide to the State Regent, who presided at the State Conference, a final proof copy of the Proceedings prior to its publication.
- (g) She shall maintain a list of past State Officers.

# Section 6. State Corresponding Secretary.

- (a) The State Corresponding Secretary shall maintain the official Kansas Society mailing list of the members who are to receive meeting notices, shall attend to all the correspondence of the Kansas Society, and shall assist the State Regent in her official correspondence.
- (b) She shall notify the State Officers and the delegates of any special meetings that may be called.
- (c) She shall send out notices of meetings of the State Board of Management at least thirty (30) days prior.
- (d) She shall send previous notice of proposed bylaws amendments to all chapter regents, voters, delegates, and alternates and post to the members' website no later than thirty (30) days before the state conference.
- (e) She shall prepare and distribute the official KSDAR stationery.
- (f) She shall assist in the preparation and distribution of award certificates.
- (g) She shall monitor changes in Chapter Officers as reported in emembership and send lists of the names and addresses of the current Chapter Regents to the KSDAR webmaster for posting on the KSDAR members' website and to the State Recording Secretary for publication in the KSDAR Annual Report and Proceedings.
- (h) Immediately after a State Conference at which an election is held, she shall send to each Chapter Regent the names and addresses of the newly elected state officers.

- (i) Sixty days before the beginning of State Conference, she shall send the official call for the State Conference to the State Officers, the National Officers whose membership is in the state, the Honorary State Regents, the Chapter Regents, the State Committee Chairs, and the District Directors.
- (j) Sixty days before the beginning of State Conference, she shall send each Chapter Regent one State Conference Credentials Form and one form for reporting chapter officers.
- (k) She shall mail by October 1, any KSDAR Annual Report and Proceedings received from the State Recording Secretary to members specified in the Standing Rules and to the members who placed prepaid orders.

#### Section 7. State Organizing Secretary.

- (a) The State Organizing Secretary shall assist the State Regent and Chapter Organizing Regents in the organization of new chapters.
- (b) She shall be responsible for the correspondence related to the organization of a new chapter, and she shall notify the Executive Committee the following information about a chapter newly confirmed by the National Society: name and location, date of organization, names and addresses of its chapter officers and members, and chapter code number. This notification shall cause the newly confirmed chapter to be enrolled as a member of the Kansas Society and a District assignment shall be made.
- (c) She shall work with state chairs of Chapter Development and Revitalization and Membership to develop programs to assist existing chapters in membership recruitment and retention.

#### Section 8. State Treasurer.

- (a) The State Treasurer shall receive and take charge of all funds and securities of the Kansas Society.
- (b) She shall deposit them in the name of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution and
- (c) shall disburse these funds as directed by the State Board of Management or the State Conference.
- (d) The State Regent shall approve all expenditures.

- (e) Upon assuming the duties of her office, she may transfer the checking accounts to a convenient, federally insured banking institution, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee; this action shall be ratified at the next meeting of the State Board of Management.
- (f) Within three weeks after each state meeting, she shall receive from the State Meetings Treasurer an accounting of all expenses for the meeting, all registration monies, invoices, and other financial information. She shall ensure all approved bills have been paid and any excess funds deposited in the General Fund within six weeks of the meeting's close. She shall coordinate with the State Meetings Treasurer to provide a full accounting of income and expenses for the State Conference and Fall Forum to be printed in the KSDAR Annual Report and Proceedings. A full accounting of income and expenses for the State Conference and Fall Forum shall be printed in the KSDAR Annual Report and Proceedings.
- (g) She shall keep an itemized account of the receipts and expenditures, close the books on December 31, and submit them for audit to an audit committee.
- (h) She shall present the auditor's report annually.
- (i) She shall send the Kansas Society's annual report or a Form 990 to NSDAR.
- (j) She may serve as the chair of the Finance Committee. (See Article XI, Section 5.)
- (k) The State Regent may appoint an Assistant Treasurer. The Assistant Treasurer shall not serve on the Executive Committee but may be appointed to serve on the Finance Committee.
- (1) Prior to the State Conference, she shall report to the State Credentials Committee Chair the number of votes to which each chapter is entitled. After the delegates and alternates are elected, she shall verify their eligibility for the State Credentials Committee.
- (m) She shall be bonded, along with other listed state officers, Assistant Treasurer, the State Meetings Treasurer in a Signature Officers Bond; the fee to be paid by the Kansas Society.

- (n) She shall be the custodian of all bonds, securities, and other evidence of invested funds.
- (o) Signature cards for all bank accounts shall bear the signatures of the State Regent, State Treasurer, and State Recording Secretary.
- (p) She shall retain the audited accounts and the tax records of the Kansas Society for a period of six years and shall be responsible for their transfer to her successor at the close of the term.

#### Section 9. State Registrar.

- (a) She shall maintain a current mailing list and provide the mailing list for the "Kansas DAR News."
- (b) Following the monthly National Board of Management membership votes, she shall provide an updated mailing list to the State Regent, State Reporter, and State Chair of the Junior Membership Committee.
- (c) In coordination with the State Chairs of the Lineage Research and Volunteer Genealogists committees, she may assist chapters with genealogy research and preparation of membership applications.
- (d) She shall be an administrator of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution Facebook/Social Media Closed Group and will determine the membership status of women asking to join the group.

#### Section 10. State Historian.

- (a) The State Historian shall direct such historical work as may be required by the Kansas Society or suggested by the National Society.
- (b) She shall prepare and submit an annual report to the Historian General.
- (c) She shall keep a reference record and file of the State Historical Markers and Archives of the Kansas Society and, at the close of her term, shall prepare a copy of the inventory to be published in the *Annual Report and Proceedings* and given to the following incoming officers: State Regent, State Vice Regent, and State Historian. She shall obtain two copies of the *Annual Report and Proceedings* to be placed in the KSDAR Archives.

- (d) At the close of the administration, she shall prepare a summary of the highlights of the past three years and the State Regent's biography to be published in the *Annual Report and Proceedings*.
- (e) She shall obtain a photograph of the KSDAR Outstanding Junior and the KSDAR Outstanding Chapter Regent, taken by the conference photographer at each state conference at the expense of the state society, for the purpose of maintaining a historical record. She shall provide a copy of each photograph to be placed in the KSDAR Archives.
- (f) She shall chair the Historical Markers and Archives Committee.
- (g) She shall promote and administer the state Outstanding Teacher of American History contest.

#### Section 11. State Librarian.

- (a) She shall list in her annual report all materials sent to the NSDAR Library and all those accepted from KSDAR chapters and members to the Wichita Public Library Advanced Learning Library. These lists shall be published in the *Annual Report and Proceedings* and will include the donor's name.
- (b) She shall serve as the KSDAR liaison with the Wichita Public Library Advanced Learning Library.
- (c) She shall have charge of receiving gifts, negotiating exchanges, and purchasing volumes for the Wichita Advanced Learning Library.

# Section 12. State Reporter.

- (a) The State Reporter shall oversee the Kansas Society's Internet and related electronic publishing activity, including the "Kansas DAR News," *CyberSunflower*, Webmaster, websites, Volunteer Information Specialists and Public Relations and Media Committees:
- (b) and such other related duties requested by the State Regent.
- (c) She shall help maintain the distribution list for *CyberSunflower* and other correspondence.
- (d) She shall assist in monitoring the KSDAR Social Media accounts.

(e) Along with the State Regent, she shall receive a final proof copy of each issue of the "Kansas DAR News" from its editor prior to its publication.

# **ARTICLE VIII - Meetings**

**Section 1. Annual Meeting.** The annual meeting of the Kansas Society shall be known as the State Conference and shall be held in the Spring. The date and location of the State Conference shall be determined by the State Regent. The host District shall be determined by established rotation. The meeting shall be for the purpose of receiving reports of the State Officers, the State Board of Management, the Chapter Regents, the District Directors, and the State Chairs of all committees; the election of officers; and for any other business that may arise.

**Section 2. Voting Members.** The voting members for state meetings shall be:

- (a) the elected state officers as provided in these bylaws;
- (b) the national officers and honorary national officers whose membership is within the state;
- (c) the Chapter Regent or in her absence the First Vice Regent or her alternate;
- (d) the elected delegates or alternates of each chapter of the state entitled to representation at the Continental Congress or special meeting of the National Society;
- (e) Honorary State Regents.

**Section 3. Qualifications.** Each chapter entitled to representation at the Continental Congress, in accordance with the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the National Society, shall be entitled to representation at the State Conference, provided that its members' state dues are credited to the State Treasurer by December 1 and its State Credentials Forms have been completed in accordance with these bylaws and it is a chapter in good standing, not in violation of NSDAR or KSDAR bylaws, (See Article XIII, Chapters, Section 1. Officers, paragraphs 2).

Delegates and alternates to the State Conference shall be elected by their respective chapters prior to sixty days before the beginning of State Conference each year and reported by forty-five days before the beginning of State Conference on State Credentials Forms (See Article XIII, Section 4(b), of these bylaws).

A delegate or an alternate shall have been a member of her chapter for one year immediately preceding the State Conference to which she is elected and shall be in good standing with the National and Kansas Societies at the time of her election, as verified by the State Treasurer.

The Regent or First Vice Regent of a newly organized chapter may be a delegate.

#### Section 4. Chapter Delegates and Alternates.

- (a) The representation of a chapter at the State Conference or at any meeting of the Kansas Society during the year, beginning January 1, shall be based upon the number of members whose national and state dues for the current year have been paid by the December 1 preceding the State Conference, provided that the chapter meets the qualifications for representation in accordance with Section 3 of this Article. A member whose national and state dues are delinquent shall not be counted in determining representation at the meetings of the Kansas Society, shall not be entitled to vote for delegates or alternates to meetings of the Kansas Society, and shall not be entitled to act as representative or alternate at such meetings.
- (b) The representation of a chapter at the State Conference or at any other meeting of the Kansas Society shall be as follows:

12 through 49 members Regent and two delegates 3votes 50 through 199 members Regent and five delegates 6 votes 200 through 299 members Regent and eight delegates 9 votes

(c) The number of alternates elected by a chapter shall not exceed twice the number of voters to which the chapter is entitled.

# Section 5. Privileges.

- (a) Any member of the National Society who is a member in good standing of a chapter in the Kansas Society or a member-at-large residing in Kansas may attend the State Conference.
- (b) State Committee Chairs and District Directors who are not elected delegates shall have the privilege to speak without vote.

Section 6. State Conference Registration. Kansas members who attend any meeting or meal of the State Conference shall pay a

registration fee, determined by the State Regent, not to exceed \$15.00. This fee shall be paid to the State Meetings Treasurer by the designated deadline. The registration fee shall be applied toward the expenses of the State Conference.

Section 7. Fall Forum. The date and location shall be determined by the State Regent. The plans for the Fall Forum shall be made by March 1, by the State Regent and State Vice Regent, in consultation with the host District Director. The host District shall be determined by established rotation. The meeting shall include the State Board of Management Meeting and may include the Annual District Meetings and functions for the purpose of education and leadership training for chapter regents, registrars, treasurers, and other interested members, as well as computer, genealogical and related workshops. The facility and other expenses of the Kansas Society's Fall Forum shall be allotted from the General Fund.

**Section 8. Fall Forum Registration.** Kansas members who attend any meeting or meal of the Fall Forum shall register and pay a fee not to exceed \$10.00 as determined by the State Regent. Reservation checks for meals and any other payments associated with the Fall Forum shall be sent to the State Meetings Treasurer by the designated deadline.

**Section 9. State Meetings Chair and Treasurer.** A State Meetings Chair and a State Meetings Treasurer shall be appointed by the State Regent.

- (a) The State Meetings Chair shall be responsible for planning and coordinating the arrangements of the State Conference and Fall Forum under the supervision of the State Regent and in cooperation with the host District.
- (b) For the Fall Forum, the preparation and printing of the program shall be the responsibility of the State Meetings Chair.
- (c) For the State Conference, after consultation with the State Meetings Chair, the State Regent shall appoint the committees deemed necessary and the members to assist the Credentials Committee Chair.
- (d) The State Meetings Chair shall assign the various functions at the State Conference to the chapters in the host District and shall serve as an advisor for their plans.

- (e) Along with the State Regent, she shall sign on vouchers for payments of State Conference expenses.
- (f) For the Fall Forum, the State Meetings Chair shall serve as an advisor and work in collaboration with the State Regent, State Vice Regent, and the host District Director to assist with organizing the various functions and tasks.
- (g) The State Meetings Treasurer shall receive the registration fees, meal reservations, and any other payments for the state meetings, and shall forward the same to the State Treasurer.
- (h) She shall recommend the payment of the bills which have been authorized by vouchers bearing the signatures of the State Regent and the State Meetings Chair.
- (i) She shall send a full accounting of income and expenses to the State Treasurer six weeks prior to the meeting's close.

**Section 10. Special Meetings.** Special meetings of the Kansas Society may be called by the State Regent and shall be called at the written request of five chapters. The purpose of the meeting shall be stated in the call. Except in cases of emergency, at least fifteen days' notice shall be given, and only the business specified in the call shall be transacted.

The delegates and alternates elected for the State Conference shall be the delegates and alternates for any special meeting of the Kansas Society, which may be held prior to the State Conference of the following year.

**Section 11. Emergency Situations.** In the case of a national, state, or local emergency, making meeting in person dangerous or impossible, the State Conference and/or the Fall Forum may be held in a virtual manner where all participants can hear each other at the same time (which may include electronic platforms).

The State Regent will call the meeting if the Executive Committee determines that an emergency situation exists. If possible, fifteen (15) days' notice shall be given.

The delegates and alternates elected for the State Conference shall be the delegates and alternates for any such designated meeting(s) of the Kansas Society, which may be held prior to the State Conference of the following year. Special Rules governing the meetings shall be adopted by the Executive Committee.

Any such rules adopted by the Executive Committee for the governance of such meetings shall supersede any conflicting rules in the parliamentary authority but may not otherwise conflict with or alter any rule or decision of the Society.

**Section 12. Quorum.** Twenty-five voting members, of which twenty shall be chapter representatives, shall constitute a quorum at the State Conference or any special meetings of the Kansas Society.

**Section 13. Proxy Voting.** There shall be no proxy voting at any state meeting.

### **ARTICLE IX - State Board of Management**

**Section 1. Members.** The State Board of Management shall consist of the elected State Officers, the National Officers whose membership is within the state, and each Chapter Regent in the state or, in her absence, the Chapter Vice Regent.

The Chair of each State Committee, District Directors, and Honorary State Regents may attend the meeting of the State Board of Management with voice but no vote.

**Section 2. Officers.** The Officers of the Kansas Society shall be the officers of the State Board of Management.

**Section 3. Meetings.** Regular meetings of the State Board of Management shall be held at the call of the State Regent, at least twice a year. One meeting shall be held during Fall Forum preceding the Annual District Meetings and the second meeting shall immediately precede the State Conference. Except in cases of emergency, at least thirty days' notice of the time and location of the meetings shall be given.

**Section 4. Authority.** The State Board of Management shall have all power and authority over the affairs of the Kansas Society during the interim between meetings of the State Conference, except that of modifying any action taken by a regular or special meeting of the Kansas Society.

# **Section 5. Duties.** The State Board of Management:

(a) shall report annually to the State Conference;

- (b) shall ratify any decisions made by the Executive Committee;
- (c) and may make recommendations to the State Conference.
- (d) It shall approve any appointment made by the Executive Committee to fill a vacancy in a state office, except that of State Regent.
- (e) It shall assist the State Regent in ensuring compliance with NSDAR rulings in accordance with Article XV, States, Section 10.
- (f) It shall elect the chair and an alternate of the State Nominating Committee at the Fall Forum State Board of Management meeting in the third year of an administration.
- (g) It shall approve the budget submitted by the Finance Committee, shall ratify any transfer of funds by the State Treasurer, and shall consider any recommendations concerning the finances of the Kansas Society.

**Section 6. Special Meetings.** Special meetings may be called by the State Regent and shall be called upon the written request of seven voting members of the Board. No business shall be transacted except that specified in the call, which shall be given at least fifteen days prior.

Section 7. Emergency Situations. In the case of a national, state, or local emergency, making meeting in person dangerous or impossible, the State Board of Management meeting(s) may be held in a virtual manner where all participants can hear each other at the same time (which may include electronic platforms). The State Regent will call the meeting if the Executive Committee determines that an emergency situation exists. If possible, fifteen (15) days' notice shall be given. Special Rules governing the meetings shall be adopted by the Executive Committee. Any such rules adopted by the Executive Committee for the governance of such meetings shall supersede any conflicting rules in the parliamentary authority but may not otherwise conflict with or alter any rule or decision of the Society.

**Section 8. Quorum.** Eleven members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the State Board of Management.

**Section 9. Proxy Voting.** There shall be no proxy voting.

#### **ARTICLE X - Executive Committee**

**Section 1. Members.** The elected officers of the Kansas Society shall constitute the Executive Committee.

**Section 2. Meetings.** The Executive Committee shall hold meetings prior to the regularly scheduled meetings of the State Board of Management, at the call of the State Regent, or upon the written request of three of its members.

Except in cases of emergency, at least ten days' notice shall be given.

**Section 3. Authority.** The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Kansas Society between the meetings of the State Board of Management.

The Executive Committee shall be subject to the orders of the State Conference, and none of its acts shall conflict with action taken by the Kansas Society.

## **Section 4. Duties.** The duties of the Executive Committee shall be:

- (a) to transact business between meetings of the State Board of Management and to report all actions and recommendations to the next meeting of the State Board.
- (b) It shall approve the State Regent's standing and special committee appointments.
- (c) It shall declare a vacancy in any state office or committee for failure to perform stated duties;
- (d) shall rule on any exception to an automatic resignation of a State Officer;
- (e) shall fill any vacancy in a state office, except that of State Regent, subject to the approval of the State Board of Management.
- (f) It shall approve any transfer of funds made by the State Treasurer.
- (g) It shall receive and act upon requests for reimbursements of additional expenses submitted as itemized statements in writing, with receipts, by the State Officers and the State Committee Chairs.
- (h) It shall declare an emergency situation if meeting in person for any

- KSDAR meeting or conference is dangerous or impossible.
- (i) It shall adopt special rules for the governance and conduct of the meeting(s) which will be held in a virtual manner where all participants can hear each other at the same time (and may include electronic platforms).
- (j) The Executive Committee shall select meeting platform(s) that support anonymous voting and support visible displays identifying those participating, identifying those seeking recognitions to speak, showing (or permitting the retrieval of) the text of pending motions, telephone capabilities and showing the results of votes.
- **Section 5. Emergency Business.** When necessary, the Executive Committee may conduct business by telephone or electronic communication where all participants can hear each other at the same time.
- **Section 6. Quorum.** Seven members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Executive Committee.
- **Section 7. Proxy Voting.** There shall be no proxy voting.

## **ARTICLE XI - Committees**

- **Section 1. Standing Committees.** The standing committees of the Kansas Society shall be Audit, Bylaws, Credentials, Finance, Investment, Kansas DAR News, Kansas DAR Scholarship, Resolutions and Historical Markers and Archives.
- **Section 2. Audit Committee.** Each administration, a committee of three qualified members shall be appointed by the State Regent for the purpose of examining the books and providing an annual audit report.
  - (a) The committee shall meet at least once to review the financial documents and prepare the annual audit report.
- **Section 3. Bylaws Committee.** The Bylaws Committee shall be composed of a chair and four members, all appointed by the State Regent.
  - (a) It shall be the duty of the Bylaws Committee to consider all properly submitted proposals for amendments and to present amendments and recommendations concerning the Bylaws to the State Conference for action.

- (b) Amendments and recommendations from the chapters, the Executive Committee, the State Board of Management, or the previous State Conference shall be presented to the committee ninety (90) days prior to the State Conference. (See Article XV, Section 1.)
- (c) The committee may have the right to edit proposed amendments and the right to originate amendments.
- (d) The Bylaws Committee shall forward prepared bylaws amendment proposals to the executive committee as requested for review. Prepared bylaws amendment proposals shall be submitted to the executive committee for final review no later than sixty (60) prior to State Conference
- (e) Previous notice of all proposed amendments from the Bylaws Committee shall be distributed by the State Corresponding Secretary.
- (f) The bylaws committee shall review the state bylaws for compliance with NSDAR bylaws and maintain updates of amendments from the National and State level.
- (g) The bylaws committee may be authorized to correct article and section designations, punctuation, and cross-references and to make other such technical and conforming changes as may be necessary, but do not alter the meaning or the intent of the society.
- **Section 4. Credentials Committee.** The Credentials Committee Chair shall be appointed by the State Regent. She shall be assisted by members of the host District for State Conference and shall be advised by the State Treasurer and the State Registrar.
- (a) It shall be the duty of the chair to supply the State Credentials Forms to the State Corresponding Secretary, to advise chapters of the number of delegates and alternates to which they are entitled and to receive their State Credentials Forms each year, electronically or, showing a Federal Postal Service or other carrier cancellation date no later than forty-five days before the beginning of State Conference.
- (b) She shall examine the returned forms and shall verify with the State Treasurer and State Registrar the eligibilities of the delegates

- and alternates listed.
- (c) She shall have charge of the registration and its committee at the State Conference and shall submit credentials reports to the assembly.
- (d) It shall be the duty of the Credentials Committee to have the responsibility for the proper identification and registration of the delegates and the alternates attending the State Conference.
- **Section 5. Finance Committee.** The Finance Committee shall be composed of the State Treasurer, who may serve as chair; the State First Vice Regent; the State Recording Secretary; and two members appointed by the State Regent.
  - (a) It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to prepare an annual budget to be submitted to the State Board of Management at its meeting preceding the State Conference. The recommended budget shall be submitted to the State Conference for action.
  - (b) The Finance Committee shall report any recommendations concerning the finances of the Kansas Society to the State Board of Management.
- **Section 6. Investment Committee**. The KSDAR Investment Committee shall be a standing, administrative committee, comprised of three members appointed by the State Regent, at least one of whom shall be a member of the Finance Committee and whose oversight shall be the Executive Committee.
  - (a) The KSDAR Investment Committee shall define investment objectives for approval by the Executive Committee and execute strategies toward achieving those objectives.
  - (b) No member shall serve more than two consecutive terms.
- **Section 7. Kansas DAR News.** The Chair of the Kansas DAR News Committee shall be the editor of the "Kansas DAR News".
  - (a) She shall prepare the newsletter and oversee its printing.
  - (b) She shall provide to the State Regent a final proof copy of each issue of the "Kansas DAR News" prior to its publication.
  - (c) The mailing list is provided by the State Registrar.

# **Section 8. Kansas DAR Scholarship Committee.** The Kansas DAR Scholarship Committee:

- (a) shall be composed of a chair and two members, all appointed by the State Regent.
- (b) It shall be the duty of the Kansas DAR Scholarship Committee to select the recipients of the Kansas DAR Scholarship, the Judd Smith Brooks Scholarship, and the Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler Scholarship from the eligible applicants.
- (c) Funds for the Kansas DAR Scholarship and the Kansas DAR Good Citizens Scholarship are provided from interest on designated investments.
- (d) The committee shall follow the guidelines set forth in the section concerning Scholarships.
- **Section 9. Resolutions Committee.** The Resolutions Committee shall be the Corresponding Secretary. The courtesy resolution shall be prepared and presented by the Resolutions Committee.

# **Section 10. Historical Markers and Archives Committee.** The Historical Markers and Archives Committee:

- (a) shall be chaired by the State Historian and composed of one representative from each district that shall be appointed by the State Regent.
- (b) The committee is to establish guidelines for the care of the markers and monuments that have been placed by the State Society, which includes markers placed by disbanded chapters, and future markers placed by KSDAR.
- (c) An established schedule shall be prepared to ensure physical checks for necessary repairs and maintenance of the markers, with written recommendations made to the Executive Committee.
- (d) A digital file will be maintained to assist in recognition of each marker with an accompanying history.
- (e) The committee will determine what should be held as part of the KSDAR Archives. Guidelines will mirror the NSDAR Archival Processing Manual and references to the Society of American Archivists.

**Section 11. Other Committees.** Such other committees, standing or special:

- (a) shall be appointed by the State Regent as the Kansas Society may authorize or as the National Society may require.
- (b) The State Regent shall be ex officio a member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

**Section 12. Committee Appointments.** Appointments of committee chairs and members shall be concurrent with the term of the appointing State Regent.

**Section 13. Expenses.** State Committee chairs shall receive prior authorization from the State Regent for any expense for which they plan to seek reimbursement. Approved expenses shall be submitted as itemized statements in writing, with receipts, to the State Regent, who shall present them to the State Treasurer for authorized payment.

## Section 14. Reports. Each State Committee Chair:

- (a) shall prepare an annual report of less than 200 words. 10 days before the beginning of State Conference, one copy shall be sent to the State Regent and one copy to the State Recording Secretary. Reports may be submitted electronically. These annual reports shall be presented at the State conference and shall be published in the *Annual Report and Proceedings*.
- (b) Each State Committee Chair shall prepare and send by the designated deadline a report to the Vice Chair of the South-Central Division of her committee. A copy of this report shall be sent to the State Regent.

**Section 15. Transfer of Records and Property.** At the completion of her term, each State Committee Chair shall deliver to the State Regent or, if so instructed, to the newly appointed State Chair of her committee:

- (a) a written procedure of the requirements of her chair position;
- (b) a list of the KSDAR property in her custody;
- (c) and all records and property of the Kansas Society;
- (d) and she shall obtain a receipt for these items.

(e) She shall provide a duplicate of the list of the KSDAR property in her custody for the State Regent.

**Section 16. Electronic Meetings.** Committees of the Kansas Society are authorized to hold virtual meetings via electronic platforms in which all committee members can hear each other at the same time and have access to the materials being discussed. Each committee will develop its own rules governing these meetings so long as the rights of the members are protected.

**Section 17. Proxy Voting.** There shall be no proxy voting.

#### **ARTICLE XII - Districts**

**Section 1. Names.** The Kansas Society shall be divided into four Districts: The Northeast District, the Northwest District, the Southeast District, and the Southwest District. The chapters in each District are designated in the Standing Rules.

**Section 2. Jurisdiction.** The four Districts are under the jurisdiction of the Kansas Society. Each District shall have the privilege to allow for any traditional procedures and courtesies, provided that they shall not conflict with the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the National and Kansas Societies.

District officers shall be responsible for complying with NSDAR directives in regard to their District's finances. (See Article VII, Section 8, Paragraph 10.)

# Section 3. Meetings.

- (a) The meetings of the Districts shall be held for the general purpose of expanding the programs of the National and Kansas Societies, to provide instruction and inspiration to chapter members, and to acquaint them with the State Officers and the State Committee Chair. The District Directors shall work with the State Regent in planning the District Meetings.
- (b) The Annual District Meetings shall be held during Fall Forum, following the State Board of Management, for the purpose of receiving the reports of its officers and conducting the business of the District. In the second year of an administration, each District shall elect a District Nominating Committee, and in the third year of an administration, each district shall elect a member and an

alternate to represent the district on the State Nominating Committee. Results of these elections shall be submitted to the State Recording Secretary within one week after the conclusion of the Fall Forum. District officers shall be elected at the Annual District Meeting during the third year of an administration. The schedule for the meetings shall be published in the "Kansas DAR News."

- (c) Electronic Meetings. Districts of the Kansas Society are authorized to hold virtual meetings via electronic platforms in which all members can hear each other at the same time and have access to the materials being discussed. Each district will develop its own rules governing these meetings so long as the rights of the members are protected.
- (d) Minutes of the meetings and any changes to the District Guidelines shall be submitted to the State Recording Secretary by October 1.

#### Section 4. Officers.

- (a) The officers shall be a Director, an Assistant Director, and a Secretary-Treasurer. Officers shall be elected for a term of three years at the Annual District Meeting preceding the election of the State Officers and shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the State Conference at which the State Officers are elected. No member shall be eligible to succeed herself in the same District office. A member may serve consecutive terms in the three offices of her District; such consecutive service shall be limited to three terms.
- (b) To be eligible to serve as a District Director or Assistant District Director a member must have been a member in good standing in her District for a minimum of two years, and from a Chapter in good standing, not in violation of NSDAR or State Bylaws (See Article XIII, Chapters, Section 1. Officers, paragraph 2.)
- (c) Anyone nominated for office in their District will be vetted by the committee prior to election to ensure they comply with KSDAR and NSDAR rules regarding good standing.
- **Section 5. State Conference.** The Districts shall host the State Conference by rotation in the following order: The Northwest District, the Northeast District, the Southeast District, and the Southwest District. If necessary, the rotation order may be altered. The chapters in the host

District shall be assigned responsibilities for the State Conference by the State Conference Chair.

# **ARTICLE XIII - Chapters**

**Section 1. Officers.** The chapters shall elect their officers by February 1 of the year in which they elect officers. Newly elected chapter officers shall assume the duties of their offices after they are installed.

The chapter officers reported to the National Society and recognized for the transaction of business with the National Society shall be the Regent, the First Vice Regent, the Recording Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Registrar. Each chapter shall have these five officers, and no member shall hold two of these offices, except in chapters with thirty (30) or fewer members. No one member in any chapter shall hold the office of chapter regent, chapter recording secretary and chapter treasurer at the same time. (See NSDAR Bylaws, Article XIII, Chapters, Section 6 (a)).

A chapter may elect such additional officers as it deems necessary and is authorized to adopt bylaws and rules for the transaction of business provided that they do not conflict with the Bylaws of the National Society or of the state organization. (See NSDAR Bylaws, Article XIII, Chapters, Section 6 (d)).

Section 2. Chapter Officer Report Forms. Each year before April 1, the Chapter Regent shall report the names and addresses of the chapter officers for the ensuing year. This report shall be made on forms from the office of the Organizing Secretary General, Chapter Services, which are furnished to the chapters by the State Corresponding Secretary or may be printed electronically from the NSDAR Members' Web Site and shall include the names and addresses of all chapter officers whether newly elected or completing the term of election; the date of election; the date on which office is assumed; and the length of term. The completed form shall be returned to the State Organizing Secretary and the Organizing Secretary General by the April 1 deadline. The forms may be submitted electronically.

**Section 3. Provision for Fees and Dues in Chapter Bylaws.** A chapter may provide in its bylaws for fees and dues for chapter use in addition to national and state dues but may not levy assessments in excess of the requirements of its bylaws. The bylaws of a chapter shall prescribe a date for collection of chapter dues sufficiently in advance to meet the

requirements for payment to the National and Kansas Societies before December 1.

# Section 4. Representation and Return of Credentials Forms.

(a) Delegates and alternates to the Continental Congress shall be elected on or before the first day of the second month preceding the month of Continental Congress of each year. Using blanks furnished by the National Society, the name of the Chapter Regent and First Vice Regent and a list of the delegates and alternates shall be sent to the chair of the Credentials Committee and to the State Regent, bearing a postmark no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the second month preceding the month of Continental Congress.

Only a chapter member in good standing, whose credentials have been completed in accordance with the Standing Rules of the National Society, shall be eligible to represent her chapter at meetings of the National Society. (See National Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2(e).

(b) Delegates and alternates to the State Conference shall be elected prior to sixty days before the beginning of State Conference of each year. (For number and qualifications of delegates and alternates to State Conference, see Article VIII, Section 3 and 4 of these bylaws.) The name of the Chapter Regent and Vice Regent and a list of the delegates and alternates and the date of their election shall be printed on the State credentials Form, which is furnished to the chapter by the Kansas Society in a mailing from the State Corresponding Secretary and shall be photocopied and sent to the State Registrar, the State Treasurer, and the State Credentials Committee Chair forty-five days before the beginning of State Conference.

Only a chapter member in good standing with the National and Kansas Societies, whose state credentials have been completed in accordance with these bylaws, shall be eligible to represent her chapter at meetings of the Kansas Society.

**Section 5. Chapter Regent.** Annually, before September 1, each Chapter Regent shall send to the State Vice Regent a listing of names and e-mail addresses of her chapter's chairs of national and state committees.

The Chapter Regent is responsible for completing and returning by the stated deadlines the copies of the chapter credentials forms after the election on or before February 1 of the chapter representatives to the Continental Congress and the State Conference.

Each Chapter Regent shall prepare an annual report of less than 200 words: 10 days before the beginning of the State Conference, one copy shall be sent to the State Regent and one copy to the State Recording Secretary. Reports may be submitted electronically. These annual reports shall be published in the *Annual Report and Proceedings*.

**Section 6. Chapter Chaplain.** The Chapter Chaplain shall report deaths immediately to the State Chaplain. Information about the deceased member shall include her name and national number, date of death, name and address of next of kin, and any offices held in the chapter or in the State and National Societies.

## Section 7. Chapter Treasurer.

- (a) Each year the Chapter Treasurer shall remit to the Office of the Organizing Secretary General the annual national dues of \$45.00 per chapter member, payable to the Treasurer General NSDAR, showing a Federal Postal Service, or other carrier, cancellation date no later than December 1. With the remittance of fees and dues to the National Society prior to the December 1 deadline the Chapter Treasurer shall include the chapter dues computer printout furnished by the Office of the Organizing Secretary General.
- (b) For each remittance of fees and dues to the National Society after December 1 the Chapter Treasurer shall include a remittance form listing the members with their national numbers to whom payment should be credited. Remittance Blanks may be ordered free of charge from the Office of the Organizing Secretary General or printed electronically from the NSDAR Member's Web Site.
- (c) Each year the Chapter Treasurer shall remit to the State Treasurer the annual state dues of \$10 per chapter member, payable to Kansas Society DAR, showing a Federal Postal Service, or other carrier, cancellation date no later than December 1.
- (d) Only a member whose state dues have been paid by December 1 shall be eligible to serve as a delegate or an alternate at the State Conference.

- (e) Each year by November 15, the Chapter Treasurer shall also send to the State Treasurer all chapter contributions for the National Society and the Kansas Society, including the required payments designated in the KSDAR Standing Rules, accompanied by the State Treasurer's Remittance Form.
- (f) Only payments received by the State Treasurer postmarked by the November 15 deadline will be processed for that year's reporting period; payments "postmarked" after November 15 will be applied to the succeeding calendar year.
- (g) The state deadline of November 15 is necessary to ensure payments are provided to NSDAR before their posted deadline.
- (h) All Checks remitted to the Kansas Society shall be made payable to the Kansas Society DAR.
- (i) The Chapter Treasurer shall report all changes in membership as they occur to her Chapter Registrar.
- (j) Each year following the end of the fiscal year the Chapter Treasurer shall submit to the State Treasurer the chapter's annual financial report by the March 1 deadline.
- (k) Each year following the end of the fiscal year the Chapter Treasurer shall file the appropriate version of the 990 Form with the Internal Revenue Service.
- (l) She shall notify the State Treasurer of the filing's completion by April 1.

# Section 8. Chapter Registrar.

- (a) The Chapter Registrar shall report to the Organizing Secretary General, in writing, all changes in membership, marriages, divorces, deaths, resignations, transfers, and changes of address as they occur (Bylaws of the National Society, Article XIII, Section 10).
- (b) These reports of membership changes shall be made on Membership Change Forms and directed to the Office of the Organizing Secretary General, Membership Office. Membership Change Forms may be obtained from the Membership Office.

- (c) The Chapter Registrar shall report all changes in membership, in writing, to the State Registrar. She shall report all information necessary for the State Registrar to keep her records exact.
- (d) Changes in membership by admission, transfer, resignation, removal for nonpayment of dues, reinstatement, death, marriage or divorce, and changes of name or address shall be reported on State Registrar's Report Forms.
- (e) Information about newly admitted members shall include full name, including maiden name, and if married, husband's full name; full date of admittance; national number; name of chapter; name and rank of ancestor, with the name of the child through whom the lineage is traced; and colony, or state.
- (f) Information about members transferring into the Kansas Society from out of state shall include, in addition to the information required for newly admitted members, the name and location of former chapters and dates of transfers.

# **ARTICLE XIV - Compliance**

**Compliance.** In accordance with NSDAR bylaws, Article XV, States, Section 10., compliance by Kansas Society members and chapters to NSDAR rulings will be ensured by the State Regent and the State Board of Management.

- (a) **Members.** Any KSDAR member seeking to serve in an office or on a committee at the State or District level, must meet any bylaws qualifications and must also be a member in good standing and from a Chapter in good standing.
- (b) Chapters. Any KSDAR chapter seeking to submit a KSDAR bylaw amendment proposal, nominate a chapter member for state office, or to be represented at State Conference with delegates must be in good standing; that is non-violation of NSDAR rulings. (See NSDAR Bylaws Article XIII, Chapters, Section 6., paragraph (a)).

# **ARTICLE XV - Parliamentary Authority**

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern this organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the bylaws,

standing rules, or rulings of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, these bylaws, or any special rules of order the organization may adopt.

## **ARTICLE XVI - Amendments of Bylaws**

**Section 1. Notice.** These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those voting at any annual State Conference, provided that a copy of the proposed amendment has been sent to all chapters of the Kansas Society at least thirty days prior to the State Conference, and that the amendment has been proposed by the State Bylaws committee, the State Board of Management, the previous State Conference, or by a chapter of the Kansas Society in good standing and not in violation of NSDAR or State Bylaws. (See Article XIII, Chapters, Section 1. Officers, paragraphs 2 and 3.)

**Section 2. Effective.** Unless otherwise provided prior to its adoption or in the motion to adopt, an amendment shall take effect at the close of the State Conference at which it is adopted.

**Section 3. Mandatory Amendments.** Any amendment to the bylaws of the National Society shall become the law of the state without further notice.

#### **ARTICLE XVII - Dissolution**

Although the period of duration of the state organization is perpetual, if for any reason the state organization is to be dissolved or otherwise terminated, no part of the property of the state organization or any of the proceeds shall be distributed to or inure to the benefit of any of the officers or members of the state organization. Upon the dissolution of the state organization, assets shall be distributed by the Board of Management and/or the Executive Committee to and only to the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

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**Number 1.** The report of the Kansas Society shall be known as the *Annual Report and Proceedings* of the Annual State Conference of the Kansas Society of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The report shall be made available by the Recording Secretary in either an electronic or hard copy as follows: State Regent, State Officers, Chapters, Honorary State Regents, State Chairs of National and State Committees, District Directors, the Kansas Society DAR Archives in the Wichita Public Library Advanced Learning Library (two (2) copies), the Historian General and the Kansas State Historical Society. Chapter Regents may receive a free hard copy by special request made before June 1. Other members desiring copies may place a request for a hard copy by June 1 with the Recording Secretary with a prepaid order for costs per copy.

**Number 2.** At least two issues of the "Kansas DAR News" shall be published each year and sent to each member. For those members with known email addresses, the newsletter will be sent electronically. For those members without a known email address, the newsletter will be sent through the United States Postal Service. The printing and mailing expenses shall be borne by the state society. *The Cyber Sunflower* shall be published and distributed electronically each month.

**Number 3.** The sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) shall be allowed to the State Regent each year for expenses incurred while fulfilling the responsibilities of her work in addition to office expenses. This amount is to be paid quarterly in one thousand two hundred fifty-dollar (\$1,250) increments. The sum of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) shall be allowed to the State Regent if she completes the NSDAR School Tour during the first year of the new NSDAR Administration.

**Number 4.** Twenty-five dollars (\$25) shall be allowed to each State Officer to partially defray her State Conference expenses.

**Number 5.** Forty dollars (\$40) shall be allowed for the courtesy of flowers for the Kansas State Regent at Continental Congress; and forty

dollars (\$40) shall be allowed for the courtesy of flowers for the Kansas State Regent-elect; arrangements shall be made by the State Treasurer.

**Number 6.** Three hundred dollars (\$300) shall be allotted to the State Regent for Kansas Pages at Continental Congress.

**Number 7.** Funds budgeted for membership development workshops approved by the State Regent shall be used for presentation materials, a master workshop packet, room rental fee not to exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00), IRS volunteer mileage submitted with odometer readings, and turnpike tolls for the workshop leaders per year.

**Number 8.** Each year, the State Treasurer shall set aside from the General Fund one dollar (\$1) per chapter member for the State Conference expenses. Any money remaining after the expenses of the State Conference are paid shall be returned to the General Fund of the Kansas Society.

**Number 9.** Each chapter will pay five dollars (\$5) per year toward the cost of Web hosting for the KSDAR Web site.

**Number 10.** The money from the Historic Markers Fund shall be put in short term Certificates of Deposits at the best rate available in an FDIC-insured bank or savings institution, with interest to be deposited back to the original funds.

**Number 11**. As Certificates of Deposits held by KSDAR mature and are considered for renewal, the State Treasurer shall investigate bank ratings and transfer those funds to other FDIC-insured institutions to diversify funds and reduce potential risk of exceeding the FDIC limit at one banking institution.

**Number 12.** Annually, names of deceased members will be entered into the Memorial Book in the Kansas Chapel at NSDAR Headquarters. Non-KSDAR names may be placed in the Memorial Book for a fee of ten dollars (\$10).

**Number 13.** Each year, on or before September 1st, each chapter shall provide electronic or hard copies of its chapter yearbook to the State Vice Regent for distribution to the State Officers, the Director of its District, the State Parliamentarian, and the State Chair of the Membership Committee.

**Number 14.** The State Regent, State Vice Regent, and Historian shall have the custody of the Kansas Society DAR Archives which is located in the Wichita Public Library Advanced Learning Library and shall at the end of their term give a list of the contents of the file to the incoming Regent, to the Vice Regent, and to the Historian. No one shall have access except in the presence of one of these three officers.

**Number 15.** The State Regent may send a report of the October National Board Meeting to each chapter of the Kansas Society.

**Number 16.** The State Regent's Pin and jeweled insignia shall be self-insured for replacement cost by the State Society.

**Number 17.** The Library Collection and Archives Fund shall support the Kansas DAR Library Collection and Archives. Monies contributed to the Fund shall be under the jurisdiction of the State Treasurer.

**Number 18.** At the Conference Opening, the State Regent shall appoint a committee to approve the minutes of the State Conference.

**Number 19.** The hospitality of the following persons, if attending the Fall Forum or the State Conference at the official invitation of the State Regent, shall be a meeting expense: Candidates for the office of President General, NSDAR; National Executive Officers or National Appointees appearing as speakers; two members of the National Board of Management; representatives of the DAR schools, Approved Schools and Indian Schools; or any other designated speaker for a Special program or event.

**Number 20.** The Registration Fee shall be waived for members serving as state meetings Pages.

#### Number 21.

- (a) A ten-dollar (\$10) limit shall be placed on awards at the State Conference given by each committee chair or state officer.
- (b) Interest accrued annually from the Mary Lempenau Permanent Trust of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750) shall pay monetary awards at the State Conference.

**Number 22.** The Kansas State Outstanding Junior shall be awarded one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) if she attends Continental Congress, to be paid from the general fund.

**Number 23.** Each national winner sponsored by a Kansas chapter who attends Continental Congress to receive their award shall be reimbursed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) for transportation expenses. The reimbursement shall be from the General Fund.

**Number 24.** The Kansas Society shall present to the State Regent an Ex-State Regent's Pin or, if she has been elected Honorary State Regent, an Honorary State Regent's Pin at the end of her term of office, providing that she served two-thirds of her elected term. The pin shall be ordered by the State Treasurer and presented by the State Vice Regent.

**Number 25.** An Honorary State Regent who becomes a candidate for national office shall be extended the courtesy of one full-page, black-and-white advertisement in the *DAR Magazine*; donations from Districts, chapters, and individuals may be solicited, but the Kansas Society shall be responsible for any remaining balance of the expense of the advertisement to be paid from the general fund. The candidate shall be responsible for, and bear the expense of, the preparation of the advertisement for publication.

**Number 26.** A pilgrimage to a historically significant Kansas site may be held annually. Local chapters may act as hostesses. A sum not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50) shall be allotted to the committee in charge of the pilgrimage.

**Number 27.** The chapters in each District are as follows:

**NORTHEAST** - Atchison, Betty Washington, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Ephraim Basehor, James Ross, John & Hattie Possum, John Haupt, Mission Hills, Olathe, Prairie Flint Hills, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Sagamore, Samuel Linscott, Shawnee Mission, Three Trails West, Tomahawk, Topeka, Wyandot.

**NORTHWEST** - Abilene, Arthur Barrett, Courtney-Spalding, Desire Tobey Sears, Good-Land, John Athey, Jonathan Gilbert, Mary Wade Strother, Nathan Edson, Polly Ogden, Sarah Steward, Smoky Hill.

**SOUTHEAST** - Cofachique, Council Oak, Emporia, Esther Lowrey, Four Winds, General Edward Hand, Isabella Weldin, Jane Dean Coffey, Marais des Cygnes, Molly Foster Berry, Oceanus Hopkins, Susannah French Putney, Where the Trail Divides.

**SOUTHWEST** - Cimarron River Valley, Dodge City, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Fort Larned, Kanza, Little Arkansas, Martha Loving Ferrell, Martha Vail, Mary Draper, Newton, Randolph Loving, Uvedale, Wichita, William Wilson.

**Number 28.** The chapters of the host district shall contribute an amount set by the Executive Committee, not to exceed fifteen dollars (\$15). These monies are to be paid to the State Treasurer, to be used for decorations, table favors, hospitality and/or door prizes at both state meetings. Surplus funds will be sent to the State General Fund.

# Number 29. Friendship Fund:

- (a) Available to all KSDAR chapters for members who are no longer able to pay dues. Only two awards will be issued per year, with no more than one per chapter. No member may use the fund more than once.
- (b) Request is made by the Chapter Regent to the State Treasurer if there are no chapter funds available to cover the dues. Request must be submitted to the State Treasurer no later than November 1.
- (c) If more than two applications are received in one year, the State Treasurer and one member of the Finance Committee will randomly select the two recipients to present to the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee will approve via email, ratifying the vote at the next committee meeting.
- (d) If approved, a check for the national dues (not the chapter dues) will be sent to the chapter. The state dues will be transferred from the Friendship Fund to the State General Fund.

**Number 30.** Scholarships (Revised by the KSDAR Executive Committee March 12, 2003, 2005, 2015, Revised by the 123rd KSDAR State Conference, April 24, 2021)

(a) The Genevieve Pendleton Memorial Endowment Scholarship shall be given in the third year of each KSDAR administration to a high school senior who is entering a two or four-year college or university. The selection shall be based on an essay relative to the broad aspect of national defense, the patriotic awareness of the candidate, two references as to the applicant's character and integrity, and an acceptable academic record. Selection shall be

- made by the State Scholarship Committee Chair, the State National Defense Committee Chair, and the State Regent. The Scholarship started in 1980-1981 with the original amount of \$2,100.00.
- (b) The Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler Scholarship shall provide a college scholarship for a girl graduating from high school. The recipient of this scholarship shall have acceptable scholastic ability, show financial need, be a citizen of the United States of America and be eligible for membership in the DAR. The Kansas DAR Scholarship Committee shall select the recipient. The Scholarship started in 1985-1986 with the original amount of \$2,515.41. The Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler Scholarship will be closed after the remaining principal balance plus interest is paid out in equal amounts over three years. The established criteria for presenting the award should be followed according to the original intent of the grantor.
- (c) The Gladys E. Routh Memorial Scholarship, in memory of her parents, Albert Jesse Jones and Mabel Clare Early Jones, shall be awarded to a deserving boy or girl, preferably one who is at least 1/4 Pottawatomie Indian. If a deserving individual of Pottawatomie heritage is not available, another Indian heritage may be substituted. The scholarship winner must attend an accredited college or university. Members of the scholarship committee who will supervise the awarding of the scholarship shall consist of the KSDAR Scholarship Committee Chair, the KSDAR American Indians Committee Chair and a member of the Eunice Sterling Chapter. This Scholarship started in 1987-1988 with the original amount of \$3,000.00. The Gladys E. Routh Memorial Scholarship fund will be closed after the remaining balance plus interest is paid out in equal amounts over three years. The Kansas State Scholarship Committee may establish and cooperate with the Scholarship Director of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Tribe in Mayetta, Kansas, to identify a qualified student, male or female, who meets the established criteria of the scholarship consistent with the intent of the original grantor of the scholarship.
- (d) A Kansas DAR Scholarship shall be awarded annually to a high school student who has DAR eligibility or is a member of DAR. Proof of enrollment in a two or four-year accredited college or university shall be required. Members of the state DAR

Scholarship Committee shall select the recipient.

- (e) A Good Citizen scholarship shall be awarded annually following the rules set forth by the NSDAR National Good Citizen Scholarship Committee.
- (f) The Judd Smith Brooks Scholarship shall be awarded annually to a male senior high school student who is a descendant of a proven DAR line. The scholarship will be funded by the State Regent's Project of Brenda Dooley with one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be awarded each year until all funds (dollars raised and interest) have been expended. Proof of enrollment in a two or four-year accredited college or university shall be required. Members of the state DAR Scholarship Committee shall select the recipient.
- (g) In the event that no applications are received for the scholarships offered during any year of the term, applications will be accepted for those scholarships the following year in addition to those regularly scheduled to be awarded.
- (h) Special Scholarships.

**Number 31.** At any State Conference, these rules may be adopted or suspended by a majority vote and may be amended by a majority vote with notice, or a two-thirds vote without notice.

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# A Legacy of Liberty

Liberty, when it begins to take root, is a plant of rapid growth.

George Washington



Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is there is Liberty.

2 Corinthians 3:17

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