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The CyberSunflower is a monthly publication of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Please submit any articles or news ideas no later than the 15th of the month and inclusion is based on space and relevance. KSDAR maintains editorial control over all content. Contact Kimberly Patrick or Susan Metzger for any questions.

A Message from the State Regent

Dear Kansas Daughters,

What an amazing virtual 129th Continental Congress! I hope each of you were able to join at least one session and play a part of this historic event. Similar to an in-person Congress, I found myself virtually running from one event to the next, logging off a Zoom luncheon to fire up a workshop on Go To Webinar. I believe our Founders would be proud of our ingenuity, creativity, and commitment to conducting the business and celebrating the achievements of our organization during the most unusual times.

One week later, I am still smiling and bursting with pride for the many recognitions our Kansas Daughters received during this year's Congress. Watching the Committee Chair presentations and attending the various award ceremonies, I cannot recall even one where our State or a Kansas Daughter was not called out for their achievements! Best State Membership Effort, South Central Division; National Chapter winner for Service to America project (Sagamore Chapter); 25% or more graduates from the Members Courses (Martha Vail Chapter); American Heritage, Music-Vocal 2nd place (Julie Crawford, Mary Draper Chapter); Commemorative Events, 1st Place for the 400th Anniversary of the Mayflower (Arthur Barrett Chapter) – just to name a few!

Kansas Daughters really are rising and shining for America!

Welcome Home!

Susan Metzger



State September Meeting September 10 – 12, 2020

The State September Meeting (SSM) is a great opportunity to learn about the different DAR committees and the different projects of the Kansas Society. This year's SSM is even more important as we were unable to have our State Conference therefore there is a lot of business that was left that we need to finalize during this meeting. The meeting will be held in Junction City.

The SSM will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott in Junction City – we have a block of rooms with a room rate of approximately \$100 plus tax. The reservation link is <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1594228094109&key=GRP&app=resvlink> and reservations need to be made by August 10, 2020.

The registration form, detailed schedule and other information will be included in the August edition of the *CyberSunflower*. Here is a preliminary list of activities for the meeting:

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Finance and Executive Committee meetings, Registration, Sales, Committee Fair, Cameo Club Meeting, State Chairman's Club Meeting, and Member Dinner.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Registration, Sales, Memorial Service, Lunch Presentation on DAR Store/Insignia, Board of Management, Workshops, and Chapter Regent Dinner.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Registration, Sales, Business Session, Lunch, Workshops, and District Meetings.



Show Your Mask Style

Due to the pandemic, masks will be required for all meetings and gatherings at the State September Meeting. Show us your mask style! We will be having a "Mask Style Show" to showcase everyone's masks. Whether funny, colorful, or fancy, we want you to show off your masks!



KSDAR Bylaw Proposed Changes and Zoom Meeting Review

At the 2020 State September Meeting (SSM), KSDAR delegates will be voting on several bylaw changes including additions of language pertaining to the ability to have virtual state meetings in cases of emergency such as the current pandemic.

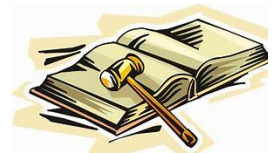
Laura Kaiser, State Chair of the KSDAR Bylaws Committee will be hosting a Zoom Meeting to review the proposed changes and to answer any questions.. The meeting will be July 14, 2020 at 7:00pm. The meeting will be recorded and available on the KSDAR members' website. The link to join the meeting is:

<https://ksu.zoom.us/j/99603917014?pwd=SGI3SmJwQ1c4MzZ6MHJCUXJxVzlhcz09>

Meeting ID: 996 0391 7014

Password: KSDARBylaw

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129th Continental Congress in Review

The 129th Continental Congress was a resounding success with viewership reaching over 20,000 of the opening night session. By having Congress solely online due to the pandemic, many Daughters were able to participate that would never be able to attend in person.

It is amazing to realize that the entire production of the Online Congress took only two months to organize, produce and air. The President General had a clear idea of what she envisioned and through the work of 100's of employees and Daughters the first ever virtual Continental Congress was conducted!

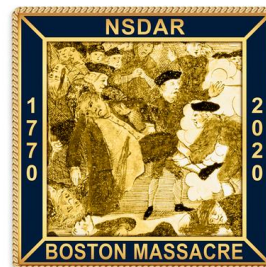
If you were unable to attend any or all sessions, you can still watch them on the DAR YouTube channel. Also, the national committees have presentations on their reports that can be found on the DAR members' website.



DAR Insignia Store

The DAR Insignia Store began operation during Continental Congress at shop.dar.org and quickly proved to be a great success. Because of the pandemic, the store had limited pins available due to the American manufacturers shutting down, but Daughters understood the situation and quickly shopped the available pins. Kansas's own Kathryn West, Corresponding Secretary General, was tasked with the development of this major endeavor and she and her team made it an amazing launch! Now the purchase of DAR insignia and pins will provide more funds for DAR projects. Mrs. West and several Kansas Daughters presented an Insignia Commercial during congress that showcased some new products and made Kansas proud!

Several new pins were debuted at Continental Congress including the new President General's Donor Pin, the MIA/POW pin, the Women's Vote pin, and the America 250 pin. Supplies are still limited so check regularly on the store website to see available inventory and to see what new offerings are available.





Members of the Courtney-Spalding Chapter had an Opening Night watch party and took a photo with State Chaplain Retha Blecha during the “One in a Million” video.



State Regent Susan Metzger gave her State Report on Friday night of Congress and had State Outstanding Junior Karen Schneck socially distanced behind her through computer magic!



Kansas Daughters welcomed the opportunity to view the 129th Continental Congress virtually. This image is a composite of 138 of the Kansas Daughters that watched the online programming. The background image is of the Kansas Chapel at DAR Headquarters.

National Historic Preservation Award

Vicki Churchman

Completed in 1920 for Wesley Hospital as a summer facility for at-risk infants, the Fresh Air Baby Camp was constructed with financial donations and volunteer labor. Hospital nurses operated it for six years, and it is believed this is the last remaining free-standing structure built as part of a national movement to restore the health of “failing” infants by exposing them to fresh air in a safe environment.

The local Girl Scout Council leased the building until 2001 for use as a Little House, but, upon their departure, the facility declined from lack of maintenance.

The Friends of the Historic Fresh Air Baby Camp have spent the last 10 years raising money, soliciting in-kind donations and grants, and hundreds of hours of physical labor to restore the building in an historically accurate manner. They have succeeded beyond all expectations.

I nominated them for the National Historic Preservation Award and was pleased to present it to them as they truly deserved the award. They were so proud and happy to be honored by DAR for their efforts.

Filling out the application form and collecting the necessary documents and pictures for the award was time-consuming, but the end result was well worth the efforts.

As KSDAR Historical Preservation Chair, I urge chapters to consider honoring a local person or group who has worked or still is working on an historical preservation project. Such efforts need our support. Go to the DAR Members page, Committees tab, and click on Historic Preservation. There you will find information and forms for awards and other honors your chapter can present. You will also find links on the KSDAR website, within the SIP tab.

Honoring someone with an NSDAR Historic Preservation Recognition Award will also help your chapter gain positive recognition for DAR. Our city newspaper never covers DAR events, however, two main TV stations sent reporters as we were able to gain the attendance of the Kansas Lt. Governor, our state senator, a state representative from the district surrounding the Fresh Air Baby Camp, plus the Mayor and Vice Mayor.



Maintaining social distancing at an outdoor celebration, Randolph Loving Chapter Regent Vicki Churchman presents a NSDAR Historic Preservation Recognition Award to Friends of the Historic Fresh Air Baby Camp.

NSDAR Legacy Designation



DAR has introduced a new “Legacy” status for relatives who use the same ancestor to join DAR. The Legacy designation will be granted to a member whose original DAR Application connects to her nearest DAR relative within the first three generations. Legacy status is granted to both the new member and the relative to whom she connects. Members desiring Legacy status **retroactively** should do so by sending an email message, including name and National Number, to Legacy@dar.org

Museum Minute

Joy Hayden

While the DAR Museum in Washington, D. C. is closed now, there are more ways than ever to enjoy its collections and exhibits. A wealth of online material is available on the DAR website. Check it out for live tours available well into August at: <https://www.dar.org/museum/education/calendar-events>

Need more information? Contact DAR Museum State Chair Joy Hayden for assistance at djhayden@st-tel.net.

Summer is Here So it is Time for New DAR Gear!



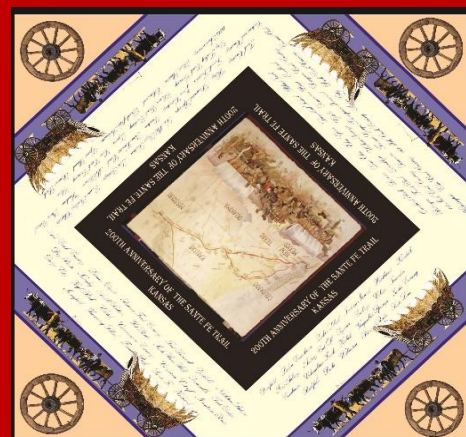
Now that the warm weather is finally here and the winter clothes have been stored, it is time to look at some new DAR swag to keep cool. The State Regent's Project Team has lots of merchandise that will help fund the Welcome Home administration's projects and beat the summer heat. To place an order, just use the attached link and begin shopping! These make great gifts and helps a great cause!

<https://teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/ksdar>



State Regent's Project Merchandise

Two new items are being unveiled by the State Regent's Project team. The new charm (\$15) celebrates the 200th Anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail, as does the new scarf (\$40), both will be available at the SSM. If interested in purchasing State Regent project items, contact State Regent Susan Metzger.



Available at State September Meeting.

Audrey Bebermeyer Awarded Richard and Elizabeth Dean NSDAR Scholarship



The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution offered 26 academic scholarships all across the United States that include general scholarships as well as those that target specific fields of study. The DAR national scholarships are extremely generous, but highly competitive, according to a DAR member who served as a 2020 judge for the Richard and Elizabeth Dean Scholarship, the most prestigious scholarship offered. The Dean Scholarship is for \$20,000 over 4 years of study. Only two high school seniors are selected each year. Over 2,700 students applied for the Dean Scholarship this year.

Audrey Katherine Bebermeyer, Valedictorian at Chaparral High School in Anthony, KS received the honor of being awarded the Richard and Elizabeth Dean Scholarship. In addition, she received the KSDAR Scholarship and the Martha Vail Good Citizens Scholarship. Audrey will be a freshman at Wichita State University

where she will pole vault as a member of the WSU Track and Field Team. She will begin WSU as a sophomore in Communication Sciences and Disorders in route to become a candidate for PhD in Speech-Language Pathology.

According to Dee Saddler, Martha Vail Regent, Audrey is the newest member of the chapter. Audrey comes from a long line of Martha Vail members with her great-great-grandmother Florence Galloway Mueller serving as chapter regent from 1951-1953. Audrey's mother Jennifer Cox and grandmother Lee Cox are also proud members of Martha Vail Chapter NSDAR.

Please Welcome Home These New Kansas Daughters

Betty Washington

Lori Schlenker

Byrd Prewitt

Terrance May

Council Oak

Dawn Muller

Donna Bundy

Courtney-Spalding

Sheila Hachmeister

Flores Del Sol

Marsha Mendenhall

James Ross

Carol Brakeall

Mary Draper

Donna Davison

Mary Wade Strother

Claudene Lassman

Mission Hills

Robin Johnson

Oceanus Hopkins

Taylor Michael

Susannah French Putney

Mary Kay Catlin



A Note from Andrea Jacques

Andrea Jacques served as President of the Kansas Society Children of the American Revolution for 2019 – 2020. Below is a letter of appreciation from Andrea:

Dear Mrs. Metzger:

I would like to thank you and all of the DAR ladies across Kansas for your generosity to my project, Kansas Specialty Dog Service. With all of the wonderful donations, I was able to raise \$3,000 for KSDS.

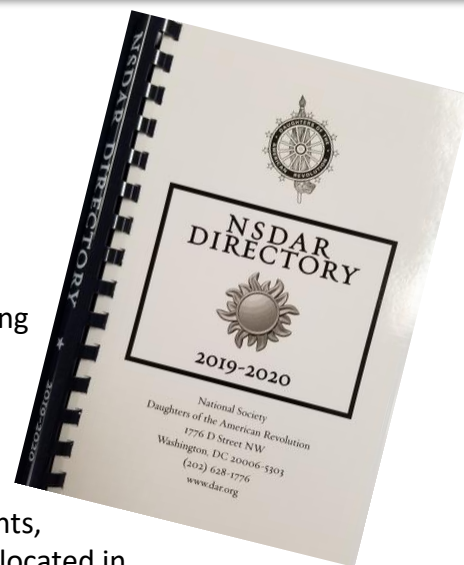
*Thanks again,
Andrea Jacques, Kansas C.A.R. State President*

Protocol 101 – What's In a Name?

Mary Frisch

You may wonder how chapters get their names and what are the rules surrounding naming a chapter. From section 15 in the NSDAR Handbook which can be purchased from the DAR Store or found on the DAR Members website. The describes chapter naming rules:

- (a) Names of chapters located in states admitted to the Union before 1825 shall be confined to the period preceding 1825 and preferably to historic events, geographic sites or individuals relating to the American Revolution. Chapters located in states admitted to the Union after 1825 may be named for territorial historic events, geographic sites or names of prominent early area pioneers.
- (b) Chapters located outside the United States shall be named for historic events or individuals representative of the period of the American Revolution or for geographic sites.
- (c) Chapters which may be located in military installations may be named for the military installation.
- (d) A chapter shall present three proposed names to the Organizing Secretary General who shall submit the recommended name to the National Board of Management. After a name has been officially granted, it shall not be changed by the chapter unless permission is granted by a two-thirds vote of the National Board of Management.
- (e) No chapter shall adopt the name of a chapter in existence.
- (f) A chapter may adopt the name of a disbanded chapter, provided permission is granted by two-thirds vote of the National Board of Management.
- (g) No chapter may use the name of a historic property owned by a state organization of the Society or by another chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.



ALL this and more can be found in your NSDAR Handbook.