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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,

This year marked my 12th time attending Continental Congress. Each summer this week of events recharges my DAR batteries and reminds me how much I love this organization and its amazing members. This year, even in the virtual format, was no exception. Through the wonders of technology and tremendous skill and work of DAR staff and volunteers, I was able to attend sessions from several locations. I attended the American Heritage Awards Reception 36,000 feet in the air on board a flight; the Education Awards Night, on my back porch; and the National Board of Management meeting, in my car!

We could dedicate this entire issue of the CyberSunflower to the many accomplishments of our Kansas Daughters who were recognized during Continental Congress – and still not have enough room! Not a day went by the week of Congress where I would attend an event where Kansas Daughters were recognized for their outstanding personal and chapter achievements. Check out some of the examples of these accomplishments in this issue.

As we enter into this final year of the Welcome Home administration, I am so very excited for the opportunities that lay ahead. Please plan to join me for a weekend of service at Nicodemus National Historic Site in August (Aug. 13-15) and for our State September Meeting (Sept. 10-11) in Junction City. And stay tuned for many more fantastic opportunities to rise and shine for DAR in the year ahead!

Welcome Home!

Susan Metzger



130th Continental Congress Highlights

Kansas Daughters shown brightly during the 130th Continental Congress. Individuals and chapters excelled during 2020, and it showed in the many accolades and awards that were presented. Below are just a few of the many outstanding moments of Congress for KSDAR.

Helen Pouch Memorial Classroom Grants

Two Kansas classrooms received grants through the Junior Committee. The Four Winds Chapter sponsored Lebo-Waverly School District to purchase books for a 4th grade classroom and library. The Council Oak Chapter sponsored Lincoln Elementary School in the Hays School District for research by 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students.

Laura Kaiser, Receives Leadership Training Award



Laura Kaiser, Regent of the Shawnee Mission Chapter, received a First-Place award for her Capstone Project for the New Horizons program. Her project was to engage and educate new and prospective members during the pandemic. She created a series of Zoom meetings and socials to educate them and keep them engaged.

GRS Award for Patti Unruh & KSDAR

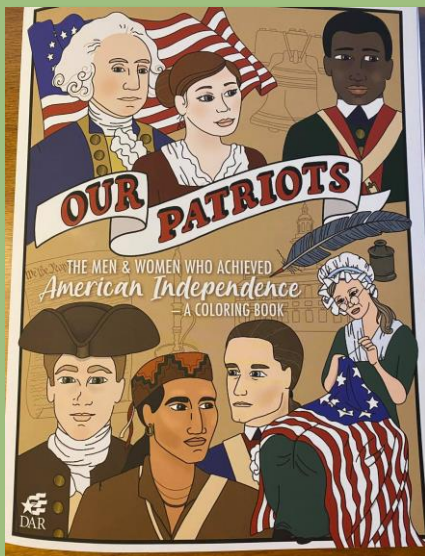


Kansas has always risen to challenges, and work with the Genealogical Records Committee is no different. Patti Unruh, KSDAR Corresponding Secretary, was named Second Place for Outstanding State Chair, and Kansas Daughters received Second Place for the Highest Percentage of Participation in the 10 Pages Project.

Kelly Flanders Wins First Place for Members Course Independent Project



James Ross Chapter Junior Kelly Flanders saw a need for cataloging all the donated historic artifacts at the Kansas City VA Medical Center. She cataloged everything and assembled a display of items. There is now a database to track all donations.



Corresponding Secretary General Kathryn West Unveils New Coloring Book

Corresponding Secretary General and KSDAR Honorary State Regent Kathryn West unveiled a new coloring book, "Our Patriots," at the 130th Continental Congress. Mrs. West created the book with the help of Laura Kessler, Historian General, and Laura Murray, Illustrator.

The coloring book tells the story of the men and women who achieved American Independence. This book is a great addition for Community Classroom projects and youth awards as well as for C.A.R. members and Junior American Citizens. The book can be ordered through the DAR Store.

130th Continental Congress Highlights Continued

Haskell Indian Nations University Receives DAR Indian Committee Grant

Marty Wellington

As many Daughters know from the President General’s June 26, 2021, Blog Post, the Executive Officers met to discuss and vote on a variety of matters.

It was announced during the Indian Committee Luncheon that one of their actions awarded \$10,000 through the American Indians Fund specifically designated for Haskell Indian Nations University. This funding will be utilized for the ongoing expenses associated with providing at-risk students with drug/alcohol and mental health assessments and follow-up treatment and education related to substance abuse and mental health issues as needed.

While looking for a project for Haskell in conjunction with the KSDAR 125th Anniversary celebration, it was discovered that due to the pandemic, Haskell officials were concerned that many students returning to campus during the 2021-2022 school year would face more challenges and uncertainty than in past years. With COVID-19 deaths among Native Americans outnumbering those in the general population, Haskell students will most likely be experiencing more trauma than usual as they return to campus. As a result, Haskell staff are many times the only resource students have to seek help for mental health issues; support through treatment; and education are critical to the academic success of these students.

Thank you to all Kansas Daughters who support the NSDAR American Indians Fund and Haskell each year.

Our House Beautiful Renovations

NSDAR Constitution Hall has been undergoing major restoration efforts over the past year. On Friday, July 3, 2021, the President General unveiled the nearly completed work. The finished project is stunning and will serve DAR for many years



Julie Crawford Wins American Heritage Award

Julie Crawford from the Mary Draper Chapter was awarded third place for her instrumental music composition that was submitted to the American Heritage Contest. The topic for 2021, was Our Patriots. The title of Julie’s piece was “Carolina Carillon: A Celebration of the Life of Ezekial Cooper.”

The piece was written for handbells and utilizes 13 handbells in order to be performed. This beautiful piece stood out for judges as most entries were submitted for piano or guitar. This is the second American Heritage Award for Julie as she won second place last year for her vocal submission. Congratulations Julie!

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Rise and Shine for America

South Central Division

Zero Member Resignations/Drops

Arkansas

- Cadron Post Chapter
- Captain Nathan Watkins Chapter
- Captain Robert Abernethy Chapter
- Charlevoix Chapter
- Hot Springs of Arkansas Chapter
- Independence County Chapter
- John Percifull Chapter
- Provincia De La Sal Chapter
- Strawberry River Chapter

Kansas

- Abilene Chapter
- Atchison Chapter
- Cimarron River Valley Chapter
- Emporia Chapter
- Fort Larned Chapter
- Good Land Chapter
- Jane Dean Coffey Chapter
- John & Hattie Possum Chapter
- John Athey Chapter
- Jonathan Gilbert Chapter
- Kanza Chapter

Kansas

- Little Arkansas Chapter
- Major Elijah Hyde Chapter
- Marais Des Cygnes Chapter
- Nathan Edson Chapter
- Randolph Loving Chapter
- Samuel Linscott Chapter
- Smoky Hill Chapter
- Where the Trail Divides Chapter
- Wichita Chapter
- William Wilson Chapter

South Central Zero Member Resignations/Drops cont'd

South Central Division High Points

Rise and Shine for America

Members of **Jonathan Hardin Chapter** in Texas collected \$1,000 worth of books and distributed them to two public housing locations, engaged in a backpack ministry for a children's home and a battered women's shelter, as well as donating \$600 to a local library that suffered a fire.

Just prior to the school lockdown in March of 2020, **Linda Johnson of Cofachique Chapter** in Kansas logged 137 volunteer hours promoting literacy, tutoring, mentoring and lending a helping hand to teachers. The rest of the year she logged an extra 114 hours planning community reads, cataloging and delivering books and creating activity packets.

Mission Hills Chapter of Mission Hills Kansas partnered with the local John Diemer Caring for Kids Committee which included a local church and police department to conduct a Read Across America Day event. They read *The Seven Habits of Happy Children* to the students of the John Diemer Elementary School.

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Rise and Shine for America

South Central Division

10% or Higher Net Member Increase

Arkansas

- Abendschone Chapter
- Cadron Post Chapter
- Captain Nathan Watkins Chapter
- Grand Prairie Chapter
- Little Red River Chapter
- Little Rock-Centennial Chapter
- Strawberry River Chapter
- Texarkana Chapter

Kansas

- Atchison Chapter
- Courtney-Spalding Chapter
- John Athey Chapter
- Little Arkansas Chapter
- Martha Vail Chapter
- Mary Wade Strother Chapter
- Smoky Hill Chapter

Louisiana

- General William Carroll Chapter
- Pierre de Mandeville Chapter
- Wharton Chapter

South Central 10% or Higher Net Member Increase cont'd

LUMINARY CHALLENGE AWARD WINNERS

Rise and Shine for America

SHIMMER LEVEL

- 5% increase in membership by new member application
- 3% or less decrease in membership through resignation or drops for non-payment of dues

South Central Division

Arkansas

- Abendschone Chapter*
- Chicot Trace Chapter
- James Bright Chapter*
- Jonesboro Chapter
- Little Red River Chapter*

Kansas

- Arthur Barrett Chapter*
- Byrd Prewitt Chapter*
- Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter
- Cimarron River Valley Chapter
- Desire Tobey Sears Chapter
- Esther Lowrey Chapter
- John Athey Chapter*
- John Haupt Chapter
- Jonathan Gilbert Chapter
- Little Arkansas Chapter

Kansas

- Major Elijah Hyde Chapter*
- Mary Wade Strother Chapter*
- Oceanus Hopkins Chapter
- Polly Ogden Chapter
- Susannah French Putney Chapter
- Three Trails West Chapter
- Tomahawk Chapter*
- Uvedale Chapter

South Central Division Shimmer Level cont'd

South Central Division Highlights

AR, KS, LA, MO, OK, TX

Rise and Shine for America

Honorable Mention
Best Recruitment Activity

Cane River Chapter
Louisiana

Honorable Mention
Best Retention Effort

Shawnee Mission Chapter
Kansas

Honorable Mention
Membership Resilience

Pierre de Mandeville Chapter
Louisiana

Division Winners and Finalists

Rise and Shine for America

Service to America Award – South Central Division Winner – State

Kansas

130th Continental Congress Live

- Benefactor & Patriot
- Illinois State Organization ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Indiana State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Iowa State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Kansas State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Kentucky State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Louisiana State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Maine State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Maryland State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Massachusetts State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Michigan State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Minnesota State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Mississippi State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Missouri State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Montana State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- National Officers Club ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Nebraska State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Nevada State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- New Hampshire State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- New Jersey Cameo Society ~ Benefactor
- New Jersey State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Mexico State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- State Organization ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- Carolina State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot
- North Dakota State Society ~ Benefactor & Patriot

The State September Meeting, Sept. 10-11, 2021, will be at the Courtyard by Marriott in Junction City, KS. KSDAR has a room block that will sell-out, so it is important that if you want to stay at the conference hotel that you make your room reservation early. Rooms are \$99 plus tax per night and the reservations must be made by August 10, 2021, to get the guaranteed rate. Call 785-210-1500 and ask for the KS Daughters of the American Revolution room block rate or you can make your reservation online at:

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1623451299268&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

Preliminary Schedule of State September Meeting

The following is a **DRAFT** schedule for the State September Meeting Sept. 10-11, 2021 – please note the schedule may change. Please note that everyone who attends any event of the State September Meeting (except for Pages) must register for the event.

Friday – September 10, 2021

TIME	EVENT	
8:15am	Registration	
9am – 11:30am	Offsite tour for visiting guests	
9am	State Board of Management Mtg	Executive Board, District Officers, Chapter Regents/Vice Regents, Honorary State Regents and State Committee Chairs (HSRs and Chairs are non-voting members)
10:30am	District Meetings	
12pm	Lunch – Santa Fe Trail Speaker	
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Chapter Regents Club Meeting	
2:30pm-4pm	State Chair Club Meeting	
2:30pm – 4pm	New Member Activity	
4pm-5:30pm	Shopping	
4pm-5:30-m	Service Project	
5:45pm-6:30pm	Dinner	
6:30pm-7:30pm	Graduation – Members, New Horizons and GEP	
7:30pm	Comedy Vets	
8:30pm	Junior Member Social	Current Juniors Only

Saturday – September 11, 2021

Time	Event	
8am	Sunrise Reception for current State Chairs, Vice Chairs and Committee Members	By invitation only hosted by State Regent Susan Metzger
9:30am	Memorial Service	
12pm	Lunch – 9/11 Anniversary	
1:30pm – 3pm	Breakout Sessions	4 rotating workshops
3pm	Announcements, Door Prize Drawings	

State September Meeting Registration Form will be on the members’ website.

With the KSDAR Juniors

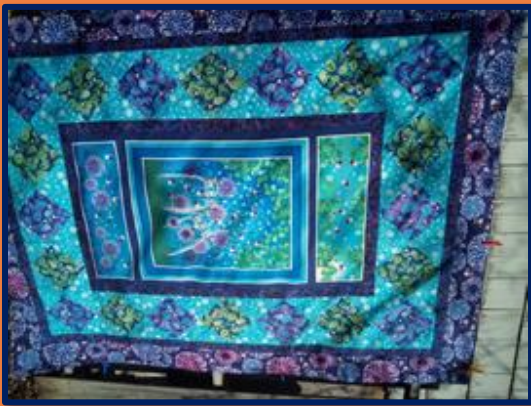
Pages Make the Event – Sign Up to Page at the 2021 State September Meeting

If you are a Junior member of DAR (age 18 – 40) we need you! We are looking for Pages for our State September meeting as Pages are the backbone of State meetings and ensure that the meetings run smoothly! Who is a Page? Pages are Junior members that are support personnel that function as assistants for a variety of posts during meetings including providing directions, assisting registration, serving as personal pages to meeting guests, etc.

If you are interested in serving as a Page at the KSDAR State September Meeting (Sept. 10-11) in Junction City, please contact Whitney Watts, KSDAR Page Chair, at whit.watts@outlook.com. She can answer your questions and explain how the meetings operate, page roles and page attire. Known as the Girls in White, Pages bring their smiles and “can do” attitudes to support all aspect of the meetings on site. The Pages have a lot of fun, learn more about DAR and KSDAR, and build life-long friendships.



Firefly Quilt Voices Available



Voices will be available at the State September Meeting and for purchase online for this vibrant quilt that utilizes the Junior Firefly Symbol throughout. The funds raised by the sale of voices will benefit the KSDAR Junior Membership Fund. With the past three state meetings held virtually, the Juniors have had limited opportunity to raise funds to support their causes. Donated by an anonymous donor, this quilt will be shown at the State September Meeting. To purchase voices online, go to <https://ksdar-voices.square.site>.

Page Patron Fund

Pages are instrumental in helping KSDAR meetings to function and asking them to volunteer to assist can come at an expense to these young women who may still be in school, are at the beginning of their careers and many are mothers of young children. The Kansas Society created a fund to assist our Pages with their meeting and lodging costs associated with State meetings. There is a line on the registration page where Daughters can support our Pages by donating to this fund to reduce the cost of lodging and meals. Please consider make a one-time donation to assist our Pages with reducing their expenses for the State September Meeting!



KSDAR Service Project at Nicodemus National Historic Site & Visitors Center

Sherrie Smith

Friday, Aug 13th (1pm–5pm), Saturday, Aug 14th (7am–5pm), Sunday, Aug 15th (9am–12pm)

As part of the observance of KSDAR's 125th Anniversary, Kansas Daughters will be performing a Historic Preservation service project at the Nicodemus National Historic Site, Nicodemus, KS. Volunteers (including HODARs) are welcomed for any/all of these times. Activities will include scraping and painting picnic tables and benches, organizing and cleaning a basement storage area and other projects assigned by the National Park Service (NPS).

Links to lodging and dining information may be found on the KSDAR website under "Calendar" and the dates of this event. Both documents include a map of the applicable area. You are encouraged to review the lodging list and contact establishments of interest to ascertain location and amenities and make reservations accordingly. Several options accommodate small groups of people, so solicit some roomies! Box lunches will be available on-site for purchase for the Saturday noon meal - an RSVP for lunch will be required.

When you RSVP to participate in this service project (due by Aug. 1st), please include dates you will be participating, names of those in your party, city where you plan to lodge, and number of box lunches you will be purchasing on Saturday. Please note – this is a work weekend and may not be appropriate for small children. **RSVP to Sherrie Smith (e-mail RSVP preferred) to: shsmith3234@eaglecom.net. Home#-785-628-8704, Cell#-785-650-4837. Please include name, date(s) attending, and if you would like to purchase a box lunch for Saturday noon meal. Cost of the box lunch TBD, payable at the event.**

Let's have a great turnout for this service project!
Many hands make light work!

Planning for the New Year

Summer is the time when most DAR chapters begin their planning for the next year. Though most chapters don't meet during the summer months, it is a busy time for chapter leaders and chairs. It is also the time that chapters begin collecting dues, scheduling speakers, and completing calendars, which can seem like a daunting task, especially for new officers. The following are some tips to make these projects easier and less painful:

- Review the Chapter Master Report (CMR) located on the NSDAR website to assist with program ideas to meet the needs of the CMR so that the maximum credit can be achieved.
- Make preparations to make the final payment for the President General's Project if not completed.
- Enlist chapter members to participate on a planning committee to include contacting speakers, preparing hostess lists, and other activities.
- Appoint a chapter officer or member other than the regent to prepare the chapter's yearbook.
- Create a calendar with state meetings, chapter meetings, NSDAR meetings and special dates to include in the yearbook so that members have easy access.
- Have a picnic or a drive-through gathering where chapter members can drop off dues and pick up their yearbooks.
- Schedule a chapter executive board meeting to review the past year and plan for the new year.
- Divide the membership list between the chapter officers and have each member called to get an update and to check in with them. These calls can also be used to remind that dues are due.
- Review the different committee pages on the NSDAR website to understand contests, and to see what others are doing in order to gain ideas.
- Join the various DAR Facebook pages to get new ideas and learn from what others are doing. There are a lot of creative Daughters who we can all learn from.
- Don't hesitate to reach out to a KSDAR State Officer if you need assistance or have questions!

The New Inheritance Project

During the 130th Continental Congress, voters overwhelmingly approved the new Inheritance Project proposed by the VanBuren Administration. This project allows Daughters to “inherit” Patriots for whom their mothers or grandmothers have a proven Application or Supplemental Application. Currently, Daughters must complete a full Supplemental Application for each Patriot and pay a \$75 processing fee for each. The new program removes the need for a full four-page submission with documentation for each Patriot and reduces the cost to “inherit” ALL eligible Patriots for a one-time fee of \$50.

In addition to providing a benefit to existing members, this program should reduce the number of Supplemental Applications received in the future, thereby reducing the review/approval time for all Supplemental Applications. Note: no current Supplemental Applications may be withdrawn in order to take advantage of the Inheritance Project.

How Will It Work?

Daughters who wish to inherit their mother’s or grandmother’s Patriots will complete an online form and pay a \$50 non-refundable processing fee. Inheritance will be established using existing approved Applications and Supplemental Applications. Once authorized, a member will be notified via an automated email and the Genealogical Research System will be updated. Inherited Patriots will be listed on a member’s profile page beneath her existing Ancestors, under the new heading “Inherited Ancestors.”

Participating members will be authorized to purchase and wear Ancestor Bars for all inherited Patriots. Additionally, Daughters will be allowed to wear their mother’s and grandmother’s bars if desired, making them family heirlooms that may be passed down for generations to come.

When Will the Program Be Available?

The DAR Headquarters staff will begin computer programming work to establish the system, with an anticipated launch date of Sept. 1, 2021. Blogs, announcements, social media posts, etc. will be issued to update the membership on the availability and details of the project once it is finalized.

Will I Need to Pay \$50 to Inherit My Mother’s and Another \$50 to Receive My Grandmother’s Patriots?

No – if you request a link to both your mother and grandmother in your Inheritance application, the cost is just \$50 for both.

If I Have a Patriot for Whom My Mother Never Applied, Can She “Inherit” My Revolutionary Ancestors?

Yes – Once a relationship is established, the “Inheritance” designation goes both ways, with no duplicate charge.

Will New Ancestors be Inherited if I or My Mother/Grandmother Have a New Supplemental Approved in the Future i.e. After I Have Completed My Inheritance Application?

Yes – You will inherit all future additional Patriots once a mother/daughter inheritance link is established.

One of Our Patriot Ancestors is Flagged Within the DAR Database – May I Inherit That Patriot?

No – If a Patriot has service issues or there are lineage problems within the line, he/she is ineligible for Inheritance.

May I Inherit Patriot Ancestors From My Paternal Grandmother?

Yes.

Can I Inherit Patriots From My Sister, Aunt or Great Grandmothers if They are in My Direct Line?

At this time, the Inheritance Project applies only to mothers and grandmothers. It may, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, be expanded in the future to include other relationships. Such program updates will be announced if/when they become available.



Commemorative Events Update

Sandy Wurth

During Continental Congress President General Van Buren added a new event for Commemorative Events: "The Committees of Correspondence." The Commemorative Events page will be updated to reflect this addition - as of this writing it has not yet been added. I suggest that you look at the NSDAR website as you are planning your events for the coming year. It may be that you would at least have a committee report if not an event. To summarize, the Committees of Correspondence, started in the 1760's by the Sons of Liberty, was formed as a communication system between towns and colonies to resist forms of British rule as more and more restrictions were being imposed.

Keep in mind that in order to get credit in this administration's last CMR, all events must be completed by the end of 2021. Please don't forget that there are two very important events this year: the 200th anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail and the 100th anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



How Well Do You Know DAR VIS Guidelines?



Take this short True-False quiz to test your knowledge of the DAR VIS Guidelines!

1. A chapter or state website is not recommended as a public face of DAR or as a recruiting tool.
2. Public, private Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram sites that carry the DAR name must invite the State VIS Chair as a member of the group.
3. Chapter and state websites and pages must receive the approval of the State Regent, or her designee, NSDAR, and the Veterans Administration.
4. The State Regent is ultimately responsible for any online presence in her state.
5. Before creating a website, there's no need to review the NSDAR Online Guidelines.
6. Name of chapter, chartered city, and state must appear at the top of home/landing page.
7. The DAR insignia may be used on websites and social media.
8. There is no selling, fundraising, politics, or campaigning of any kind allowed. Links may not be provided for the purpose of seeing any goods or services.
9. It's okay to promote fundraisers for non-DAR organizations (including C.A.R.) on Chapter and State social media.
10. Grammar and capitalization must comply with the current VIS Style Guide, following the DAR Spokesperson Policy Statement PR-0014.

How did you do? The odd numbers are false and the even numbers are true! Remember that there is no fund raising on the KSDAR social media or the website without approval of the State Regent. If you need clarification of the guidelines or help with websites or social media, contact Becky Spaulding, Kansas State VIS Chair, trexbecky@gmail.com, 602-920-8903. If you have questions about public relations or media, contact Melissa Precht, Kansas PR and Media chair, darmelissap@gmail.com, 816-588-5847.



To join the KSDAR Facebook page, you must answer the questions completely or you won't be able to join. If you are requesting that others be admitted to the page, they will not be able to access the page until they answer the questions, so be sure to let them know that they need to personally go to the page to complete the steps. This additional step keeps the KSDAR Facebook page secure.

If you have been receiving the *CyberSunflower* and other emails from KSDAR but suddenly are not, first check your other folders in your email such as SPAM and Junk, and if not there, you may have inadvertently unsubscribed. If this is the case, reach out to Becky Spaulding, KSDAR VIS Chair at trexbecky@gmail.com for information on how to resubscribe. MailChimp is utilized to send out this newsletter as well as important KSDAR emails, so it is important that you do not unsubscribe.

If you are wanting to access the KSDAR members website (members.kansasdardar.org), you will need the username (ksdar) and the password (sunflower), which are all lower case.

Kanza Chapter Historic Preservation Grant



The Kanza Chapter in Stafford, KS, was highlighted in the DAR Blog for procuring a DAR Historic Preservation Grant. The grant was to assist the Stafford County Historical Society to assist with the growth of their collection of quilts and other historically significant textiles. Specialized equipment was needed to display new items while ensuring that they are preserved, specifically the heirloom quilt exhibit. These quilts will now be maintained in a proper manner while still offering patrons an opportunity to view the exceptional artifacts. Congratulations Kanza Chapter for this great project!

eMembership for Chapter Officer – Make Your Life Easy Peasy!

Part 1: July 13, 2021 – 6pm

Part 2: July 20, 2021 – 6pm

Cindy Addison, National Vice Chair, Membership Committee, will present this two-part series on eMembership and show you how to make your chapter reporting easy peasy! Included will be step-by-step instructions to help you get the most out of eMembership for your chapter needs.

Part one will start with accessing eMembership, followed by a deep dive into Reports. Building on that knowledge, part two will cover the Updates menu, the Projects, Prospectives, Chapters and Links menus along with the menu items across the top: Help, Research - GRS, and Search.

To register for this live event, follow the directions below:

Click on this link to register for **LIVE: eMembership for Chapter Officers—Make Your Reports Easy Peasy** (part one) on **Jul 13, 2021 7:00 PM EDT**:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6385112926886876429>

Click on this link to register for **LIVE: eMembership for Chapter Officers—The Rest of the Story** (part two) on **Jul 20, 2021 7:00 PM EDT**:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2761230353876796941>

Use Your Voices to Support KSDAR!

Purchase your Voices for an opportunity to win one of the great items that will be offered at the State September Meeting. Voices can be purchased in person at the State September Meeting or in advance at: <https://ksdar-voices.square.site> **Voices are \$5 each or three for \$10!**



Sunshine Wood Carving – Jan Wichman, Polly Ogden Chapter. Benefitting State Regent Project.

Council Grove Get-Away – Sponsored by the Council Oak Chapter. Supports the Historical Markers and Archives Fund.



Santa Fe Trail Commemorative Quilt Supporting State Regent's Project. Includes the locations of DAR Santa Fe Trail markers and complimented by wheat and buffalo fabric.



Miss Hazel China Doll

This is Miss Hazel, the KSDAR 1996 Centennial Doll. Her life has been full of adventure and she is here to join with Kansas Daughters for the KSDAR 125th Anniversary celebration. The antique, china-headed doll was gifted to Hazel Fields Myers, a Kansas Daughter who served on the KSDAR Executive Committee and is an honorary regent of the Sagamore Chapter, by her Aunt Hazel. In 1996 Hazel Myers presented her doll to the KSDAR Junior Membership Committee to raise monies for the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund.



New GEP Courses



Two new Genealogy Education Program (GEP) courses were unveiled during the 130th Continental Congress. Joining the GEP1 Introduction to Genealogy Research for DAR Applications, GEP2 Applying Genealogy Research Techniques to DAR Applications, GEP 3 Advanced Techniques for Resolving Problems with Lineage and Service on DAR Records, GEP 4 DNA and the DAR and the Registrar Training Course will be GEP eApps: The Beginner's Guide to Electronic Applications and the Mid-Level Review Training Program.

The GEP 5 course has no prerequisites required in order to take the course. It provides members with the information needed to prepare and submit an electronic application, or eApp. It also shows how to prepare the lineage and documentation, how to navigate the e-Membership website, and how to submit the eApp. The registration fee allows for a 90-day access to the course, and students must also achieve passing scores on the quiz for each lesson to be able to progress through the course. The cost of the course is \$25 and can be purchased by visiting nsdar.myshopify.com.

The Mid-Level Review Training Program also has no prerequisites in order to take the course but members are encouraged to take the eApps course first. Passing this training program provides the skills to qualify as a Mid-Level Reviewer (MLR) for electronic applications. Members are not guaranteed that they can become an MLR after completion as this is a position that is allocated on an as needed/available basis. The cost for this training program is \$10, and students will have 90 days of access to the course. It also can be purchased by visiting nsdar.myshopify.com.

By having more eApplications prepared and having MLRs available, it will decrease the time to have applications approved, quickly provide the application on the GRS site and reapplications to free up DAR Genealogists. If you have questions on completing an eApplication or on one of these courses, contact Bunnie Bowen at bunniebowen@aol.com.

Update on National Defense Committee

Bonnie Hitchcock

I hope everyone enjoyed the National Defense Night at Continental Congress and it excited you for the upcoming year as much as it did me! Let's start now, if you haven't already, and plan on achieving the following suggestions.

Recognition of National Defense Activities:

National Defense activities are recognized for the Chapter Achievement Award in several ways:

1) By devoting a minimum of three minutes to a report using national defense material at all regular chapter meetings. The chapter chair should read or summarize the article(s) in an interesting manner. Information may be drawn from the *National Defender*, *American Spirit* magazine and the *Daughters Newsletter*. These publications alert members to vital current national issues.

2) By presenting ROTC medals.

3) By participating in other national defense activities and scheduling a complete chapter program on national defense.

Other chapter activities that promote an informed membership through the National Defense Committee include:

1) Sponsoring discussion groups using National Defense Committee materials. Consider inviting non-members to participate.

2) Distributing national defense literature to members, non-members, community leaders and public officials.

The National Defense Committee awards the DAR Distinguished Citizens Medal, the DAR Youth Citizenship Medal, ROTC medals and DAR Outstanding Cadet medals.

Please, if you have any questions or need any help with your activities, contact me and I will be glad to help in any way! If there are any new chapter National Defense Committee chairs, please contact me and I will get some additional information to you! Let's ***Rise and Shine for America!***

Haskell Indian Nations University Back To School Donations

With all the "Back to School" sales, now is the time to pick items to donate for the students at Haskell Indian Nations University. KSDAR will once again be gathering the donations at the State September Meeting, Sept. 10 – 11. Items that the students need are:

Laundry:

Detergent pods, fabric softener sheets

Personal Toiletries:

Soap, Shampoo, Conditioner

Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Mouth wash

Deodorant

Feminine hygiene products

Q-tips

Towels, Hand towels, wash cloths

Dental Floss

Tissues

Chapstick

First Aid Kits

Pain Relief Medicine

Cough Drops

School Supplies:

College rule notebooks

Index cards, Post-it notes

Staples, Stapler, Scissors

Pens, pencils, sharpeners

Highlighters

Binder clips

Copy paper (8 ½ x 11)

Jump drives

Report covers

Display boards

Bedding:

Sheet sets (XL twin)

Pillows and cases

Blankets

Miscellaneous:

Mugs

Chip clips

Flashlight

Umbrellas

Computer bags/book bags

Lightweight message boards

3M command strips

Desk lamps

Small fans

Hangers

Utensils

Plates/Cups

Storage bins

Storage hooks

Small trash bags

Protocol 101 – Chapter Regent Tips for a Successful Meeting or Event

Mary Frisch, Honorary Vice President General

If you are invited to a state or chapter event, please RSVP in a timely manner. In order to host a successful event, plans must be made. The host must create an introduction list, seating chart, and arrange for seating and sometimes, meals. Do not wait until the last minute to respond! It's good manners and it allows for proper planning so everyone can enjoy the event! Also, please remember to write a note to the host, honorees, pages and anyone else who made the day special!

Protocol is important in DAR as it provides members with the rules that explain the correct conduct and procedures to be followed during meetings and events. The NSDAR Protocol Committee was formed in 1971 and serves to give members guidance in the ceremonial forms and courtesies that are established as the proper and correct etiquette for recognizing and honoring those in positions of leadership, remembering always that the fundamental principles of protocol are dictated by ethics, courtesy, good manners, and common sense.

A new webinar has been created to assist members with understanding DAR Protocol that includes national functions to chapter functions. The video can be accessed at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PBj7OldcfdU>. In addition, on the Protocol Committee page on the NSDAR members website is the *Official Procedure and Protocol Booklet* which can be downloaded. This document contains in-depth information for DAR functions.



Welcome New Members

Betty Washington

Katherine Schillare

Courtney-Spalding

Laurie Adams

Kellie Crnkovich

Megan Pfannenstiel

Charlene Melson

Desire Tobey Sears

Gloria Garman-Schlaefli

James Ross

Jennifer Lucas

John Haupt

Colleen Gattshall

Mary Wade Strother

Kristine Sommers

Polly Ogden

Glenna Harrison

Tammy Linqvist

Prairie Rose

Lane Hileman

Randolph Loving

Karen Norton

Shawnee Mission

Valerie Hodges

Michelle Green

Sarah Edleman

Cinthia Saul

William Wilson

Sondra Kendall

Kay Joskinson

Kayla Drake



Are You Hot? Get your Cool DAR Gear!

Check out the warm weather gear – and the lime green shirt for volunteer events – you can have them add the word “Volunteer” on the back! All sales help fund the Welcome Home Administration’s projects. To place an order, just use the attached link and begin shopping! <https://teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#!/lockers/ksdar>



State Regent’s Project Merchandise

Support the State Regent’s Project through the purchase of merchandise!



Santa Fe Trail Scarf - \$40 + 7.5% Sales Tax = \$43

Madonna of the Trail Charm - \$15 + 7.5% Sales Tax = \$16.13

Welcome Home Charm - \$15 + 7.5% Sales Tax = \$16.13

Santa Fe Trail Charm - \$15 + 7.5% Sales Tax = \$16.13

KSDAR Tote Bag - \$35 + 7.5% Sales Tax = \$37.63

There are two ways to purchase these items: go online to <https://kansas-society-dar.square.site/>

for credit card orders or email susantelee@yahoo.com - she will provide the total with tax and shipping and can arrange payment via check or credit card. Contact Susan Metzger for orders over \$200 to save on shipping.

New Charm is Here – 125th Anniversary!

The KSDAR 125th Anniversary charm has arrived and is available for purchase. Sales will support the State Regent’s Project. The charm features the winning logo from the 125th Anniversary logo contest – created by Robin Kern of the Olathe Chapter. The charm can be worn on a bracelet or a necklace. This is a limited-edition production, so get your order in soon!



Patriot Garden Flags

Warm weather is here and our gardens are taking shape, so order a garden flag(s) that features your patriot(s) to show your patriotism . These 16” x 24” flags are printed with eco-friendly inks on 250 Denier Polynex and costs \$53.95, including shipping. Use the Comment Box as you checkout to Customize your Flag. You choose how to Commemorate your Patriot! If no information is supplied, the lower portion of the flag will be printed blank. **Put Kansas Society DAR in the Company field and \$5.00 of every purchase will go to support the State Regent's project.**



<https://www.northstarflags.com/fundraiser-dar-sar.html>