Dear Kentucky Daughters,

The 2017 KSDAR State Conference was a success thanks to the efforts of many, especially our First and Second District Directors Mary Sue Hubbard and Cheryl Goodlad and chapters. Special thanks also to State Conference Co-Chairmen Donna Hughes and Martha King, Credentials Chairman Brandy Osborne and Registration Chairman Susan Mullins, Protocol Chairmen Elisabeth Chiang and Jeanne Albertson, workshop presenters, and, of course our hardworking Pages. Thank you to everyone who helped and all who attended!

In recognition of the 225th birthday of our Commonwealth, KSDAR presented the first Spirit of Kentucky Award to national best-selling author Silas House. His presentation during the Friday evening banquet was inspiring as he described how Hindman Settlement School and the Appalachian Writers Workshop have influenced his career. House praised a teacher who encouraged him and gave us all a reminder of the importance of education and how Hindman continues to touch the lives of so many. We were proud to present Hindman Executive Director Brent Hutchison a donation of $8,300 from KSDAR. This along with the more than $2,600 raised for the sponsorship of Hindman Day at Keeneland represents more than $10,900 raised during the first six months of the Miller Administration for Hindman. Congratulations for your significant support!

Summer has arrived and I hope many of you will be attending the NSDAR Continental Congress June 26-July 2, the 37th National Veterans Wheelchair Games July 17-22 in Cincinnati, OH, and the Summer Workshop August 11-12 in Louisville. The Summer Workshop registration is included in this issue. We have a wonderful line-up of outstanding guest speakers and truly something to interest everyone. And watch for more details about the Heritage Symposium hosted by KSDAR and Duncan Tavern on Saturday, September 16th. Check the Calendar on the KSDAR Members’ website for upcoming events.

Have a safe and relaxing summer! Keep Moving Forward in Service to America!

Charting Our Course, Planning for the Future!

Leslie R Miller
KSDAR State Regent
There is no place more beautiful than Kentucky in the spring. We get new growth, beginnings, and additions to our lives and our environment; changes to the established terrain; and fresh approaches to our yards, our homes, and our locales. We see the return of songbirds, butterflies and other “old” friends that put smiles on our faces; and as a bonus we get baby horses, Keeneland and the Derby. Life is good!

The Duncan Tavern Historic Center, like Kentucky in general, is a wonderful place to be in the spring. Like Kentucky, the Tavern has undergone growth, new additions, and changes; AND has also seen the return of numerous “old” friends, and the addition of new ones.

The BEST new addition to Duncan Tavern is the hiring of Selene Hutchison as Duncan Tavern Coordinator. Selene will act as site coordinator for the day-to-day operations of the Tavern as well as Visitors Services coordinator. Please stop by and introduce yourself to Selene.

In addition to Selene, the Duncan Tavern Committee has added Nancy DeMarcus as Volunteer Committee Chairman and Robin Menefee as Treasurer. Please join me in thanking these ladies (and all the other Duncan Tavern officers and committee chairmen) for stepping up and volunteering their time and talents to Duncan Tavern.

Also, you will notice that there is a change to the email addresses for the Tavern and for the DT Chairman. The old Tavern email address has been used for years and has become populated with mostly non-KSDAR and DT emails. This happens over the course of time and is hard to avoid. As such, relevant emails get lost, delivered to “Junk”, or not delivered at all. And this is unacceptable and therefore the change. As for the DT Chairman address, it is moving from my personal email address and to a Gmail account that can be used by future chairman.

NOTE: Selene and I will continue to monitor all the old addresses, but please try to start using the new ones listed above in the article’s heading.

Other exciting changes and additions happening at the Tavern include:

- A new exhibit in the newly renamed “Tavern Room.”
- A new docent script created by Julie Payne and her committee that reflects the new information her research unearthed about the Tavern and the Duncans.
- A “new” entrance into the Tavern through the double Anne Duncan House doors off the parking lot. Just inside these doors, in the old Tea Room, is the new location of the site office.

Another old friend that has returned to the Tavern is the restored William Ranney painting “Daniel Boone Escorting Pioneers through the Gap.” This painting was conserved and restored as part of the Miller Administration’s state project and private donations. It is on display in the newly interpreted Tavern Room and will be the Centerpiece for the upcoming 1st Annual Heritage Preservation Symposium to be held on Saturday, 16 September 2017. To learn about this incredible...
painting you will have to come to the Tavern for a tour and/or to the Symposium for even more information.
The initial sponsor for the Symposium is the Josephine Ardery Foundation and the speakers and their topics for the day are:

**Stephen Aron, UCLA Dept. of History, Professor & Chair** – "The Dilemmas of Daniel Boone."

**Daniel Ackerman, Curator, Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts** – “Becoming Kentucky: Cultural Confluence in the Decorative Arts of Early Kentucky”

**Estill Pennington, Fine Art Consultant** – “Kentucky: the far west of the old south in romantic art”

Additionally that day there will be tours of the Tavern and the Bourbon County Courthouse, and box lunches will be available for purchase. So plan on joining us to hear these 3 nationally recognized speakers and to enjoy Paris and Duncan Tavern. It promises to be a fun and an enlighteningly enjoyable day. Registration information will be available soon.

Recently the Tavern hosted a Tea Party for Girls of All Ages. If you were unable to attend, you missed one of the most delightful activities ever held at the Center. The Duncan Tavern Executive Committee continues to thank all our friends and volunteers for your time, talents and tremendous support. Please join us for the rest of the year as we continue to have fun, preserve and present our collections (the Tavern itself being the gem in our holdings), and educate the public.

—Lynne Hollingsworth, Duncan Tavern Chairman

**PLEASE JOIN THE FUN BY VOLUNTEERING AT THE TAVERN. WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

**THE NEXT DOCENT & VOLUNTEER TRAINING WILL BE SATURDAY, JULY 8TH.**

**CALL TO REGISTER!**
John Fitch Chapter

Margie Shelton, State Chairperson of Service to Veterans’ committee, held a fleece blanket for veterans workshop with members of the John Fitch Chapter DAR on March 15 at the Nelson County Library in Bardstown, Kentucky from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. Each member brought scissors and a tape measure ready to work. We made fast work especially with Lyda Moore’s electric scissors. We measured, cut, and knotted the fringe using all of the fabric that Margie brought. Not only were we being of service to the veterans by making the blankets to sell but we had fun being together and getting to know Margie who has a unique and winning personality. Pictured are Lyda Moore, Pat Hart, Marie Shelton, State Chairperson of Service to Veterans’ Committee, Annelle Hoene, Bonnie Downs, and Rebecca Mayes

John Fitch Chapter DAR members were ecstatic when they learned that Merima and Dzevad Kreso, two naturalized citizens, had won the Americanism Award at the Kentucky Society Daughters of the American Revolution State Conference. Coming to Bardstown during the Bosnian crisis was a lifesaver for them. The Bardstown community embraced them and they, in turn, have exhibited nothing but exemplary citizenship in the city of Bardstown and County of Nelson. They have opened three successful restaurants and an event center. Dzevad has coached soccer in local schools, been an active member in community organizations and preserved several historic buildings. Merima has operated the restaurants, been a support for her husband and their children, helped families from other countries through the naturalization process and the American way of life.

Davis Downs, senior at Bethlehem High School in Bardstown, Kentucky, won the Kentucky Society Daughters of American Revolution Good Citizen Award and also won the award for East Central US. He was sponsored by the John Fitch Chapter DAR. Davis is now in competition for the National Good Citizen Award. Davis has proven to be a model student, leader, and community servant. He is involved in academic, athletic, and civic activities in and outside of school. One of his teachers stated that what Davis’s resume does not show is what a good guy he is and that his fellow classmates look to him for guidance and direction. Pictured are Davis Downs with his parents Mary Ann and Tommy Downs.
**John Marshall Chapter**

The John Marshall Chapter, Louisville, celebrated its 125th Anniversary January 28, 2017 with a luncheon at Hurstbourne Country Club. State Regent, Leslie R. Miller and other honored guests attended. Items from the archives were displayed celebrating “John Marshall Chapter through the Decades”. John Marshall Chapter, Charter #4, began with 16 members and has grown to 453. Deceased members were remembered with a memorial service, recognition was given to 14 nonagenarian members and Happy Birthday was sung as slices of birthday cake were served. New members received patriotic ribbon cockades after taking the Oath of Membership administered by State Chaplain, Carol Rogow. Chapter items and pictures were entered into a time capsule for future generations.


**Captain John Van Meter Chapter**

The Captain Jacob Van Meter Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution met Friday, April 21 at the Brown Pusey House in Elizabethtown. Members from John Hardin, Governor Isaac Shelby, and Louisville Thruston Chapters of the Sons of the American Revolution were welcomed as guests.

The Central Hardin High School Color Guard presented the colors during the DAR Opening Rituals. LTC Roland Haun spoke about the CHHS JROTC Program. Junior JROTC Student Tabetha Schultz, winner of the DAR Bronze ROTC Medal in 2016, spoke to the group of the benefits of JROTC.

Gary Kempf portrayed Daniel Boone and told stories about the life of another famous Kentucky pioneer Simon Kenton. Simon Kenton once saved Daniel Boone’s life at Fort Boonesbough. Kenton was a huge man who was captured by the Indians, ran and survived nine gauntlets, and was saved from burning at the stake by a torrential rain. Gary demonstrated the loading and firing of a Kentucky long rifle. Refreshments consisted of a pioneer meal of beans and cornbread.

Gary Kempf instructs Rose Cooper in the firing of the Kentucky long rifle.

**St. Asaph Chapter**

KSDAR Regent Leslie Miller visits the St. Asaph Chapter meeting at the Danville Country Club to discuss her vision for KSDAR and the State Project. Pictured from left to right: Jodi Roessler, Nancy Ketelhohn Chapter Regent, Regent Miller, Stephanie Griffin, Lauren Newman and Betty Cummins.
Salt River Chapter

On Saturday, March 25, 2017, Medal of Honor Day, Salt River Chapter had the pleasure of our State Regent, Leslie Miller visiting us for Col. (ret) Ward Nickish’s program, “Fallen, but not Forgotten, The Search and Recovery of POW/MIAs from Prior Wars”. There are not enough words to describe how fascinating this program was and to see the extent this Division goes through to locate, identify and return the remains of these servicemen home to their families for proper burial. We welcomed visitors that are still talking about the program and we received multiple emails from visitors as well, one of which had a family member contacted to provide DNA for this actual purpose right after this program. We could have listened to Col. Nickish’s stories all afternoon, some that couldn’t help bring a tear to your eye. Bullitt County’s Judge Executive, Melanie Roberts, read a proclamation that declared March 25, 2017 Ward Nickish Day here in Bullitt Co. We also recognized men that had served in the armed forces after the presentation. Civil Air Patrol KY123 provided the Color Guard, presented the Fallen Service Member Honor Table and helped with parking. These young men and women were wonderful. Salt River Chapter salutes our military that are currently serving and remembers those who have served and those who paid the ultimate price for our country.

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This past weekend, Mar 31-April 2, was the KSDAR State Conference in Lexington that I attended along with Christy Hummel, Vice Regent, Pat Conway, Treasurer, Deborah Andrew, Salt River Member as well as Volunteer Information Specialist State Chairman. We had a wonderful time having fellowship with other Kentucky Daughters. I encourage all of you that can to try to attend next year. Even if you can’t go for the whole weekend, just attend one day. You won’t be sorry. I am happy to announce that our chapter received numerous awards and certificates; First Place for our Chapter Brochure that Robyn Crigler revamped, and First Place for the most new members for a chapter our size. We received 3rd place from the Media Committee for coverage in print and also received an award for the number of magazine subscriptions to the American Spirit Magazine, just to name a few. I also received 1st place in the Women’s Issues Essay Contest in the Family Division. My entry will now go on to be judged at the National level.
On Sunday, November 20, 2016 the Boone County Chapter NSDAR participated in the Patriot Grave Marking Ceremony for Revolutionary War Captain John Graves of the Culpeper County Militia. This event was in partnership with the Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution, and Eagle Scout Candidate Joseph Kiely, who is also the 6th great-grandson of Captain John Graves.

Joseph Kiely gave careful thought and planning for his Boy Scout Troop 727 Eagle Scout project which evolved in to learning how best to restore his ancestral Graves-Duncan Cemetery and to learn more and more about his ancestors. This led him to seek out those who could best advise him how to accomplish his goals. He presented an in-depth plan for restoring the cemetery that contained nine graves and how to build on family information he had at hand to Robin Edwards, Registrar of the Boone County Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Bridget Striker, Boone County Public Library History Coordinator, and Matt Becher, Boone County Planning Commission, regarding rural and open spaces. An interesting family album added significantly to these efforts.

Knowing the Graves-Duncan Family Cemetery was close to home, restoration of the cemetery soon became an important focus and led to Joseph Kiely coordinating and managing a number of volunteers, including fellow troop scouts. Although it has been an intense six months effort, numerous people, several agencies and businesses became supportive and helpful. The family now owning the property where the cemetery is located have been gracious and receptive throughout the restoration as well as to the more than one-hundred people arriving on an extremely cold and windy Sunday to participate in the Patriot Grave Marking Ceremony. Some attendees came from as far as Louisville, KY and Missouri to share in Joseph Kiely’s Patriot Ancestor’s Celebration.

The Dedication Ceremony in honor of Patriot John Graves, Captain Culpeper County Militia was called to order Rev Forrest Chilton. Participants included: Boone County Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution, special music, speakers, including 5th great-granddaughter, Laura Kiely provided a history of Captain John Graves figured prominently in this dedication. Another highlight of this celebration was the induction of William Edgar Graves, Joseph Kiely, Jude Kiely, Kaleb Kiely, Virginia Sue Graves Spalding and Laura Kiely into the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution. The Dedication of the Marker was conducted by Boone County NSDAR Chapter Regent, Susie Stough and Boone County NSDAR Chaplain, Kaitlin Barber. Floral Tributes and the impressive 13 Folds of the Flag and Flag Presentation was conducted and presented to the Ancestor Patriot’s 3rd great-grandson, William Edgar Graves. A Musket and Rifle Salute, Taps, Sons of the American Revolution, Recessional, Benediction, Sons of the American Revolution Pledge, and The American’s Creed concluded this solemn and meaningful dedication.

The Boone County Chapter NSDAR is proud to have partnered with the Kentucky Society SAR, and Eagle Scout Candidate Joseph Kiely. We congratulate Joseph on a job well done!

In other news, the Boone County Chapter has another grave marking ceremony scheduled for Fall 2017. We will be placing a marker at the homestead of George Vest. The home is currently being used as the headquarters for Verona Vineyards and they are celebrating their 175th anniversary. We have a busy year planned and are super excited to share the DAR with our community.
Louisa Chapter

A creative and innovative refreshment program has been developed in the Louisa 4-056KY Chapter. At each local monthly DAR meeting for the past two years, a themed refreshment approach has been taken. The members participate in small teams. They choose and develop a theme for each monthly meeting, utilized thrifty recipes and creative décor to highlight that theme, and then presented DAR meeting refreshments with enthusiasm, color and style. The idea and concept for the "Hostess with the Mostest" contest were developed by Patricia Hatfield, the Louisa Chapter Second Vice Regent.

The contest successfully organized and streamlined the monthly refreshment program for the monthly meetings, but more importantly it created a zeal to participate and present that segment of the program in a fresh and creative light. All seemed to enjoy the spirit and competition of the monthly events. At the end of the competition, the specific winners were selected by member ballot.

This year’s contest program winners were Lynn Courtney, Evelyn Deboard, and Carolyn Thompson with the theme “Patriots Spring Into Action”, commemorating April as the month the American Revolution began. New handcrafted Blenko glassware items were awarded to the winners, as donated by Simple Treasures of Louisa, KY.

Mrs. Hatfield extended a special thanks to every participating hostess for their creativity, zeal, and hard work to make the second year of this contest so very successful.

Butler County Chapter

The Butler County Chapter celebrated Women in History month at their March meeting with a power point presentation on Our Women History, a history of the chapter with numerous pictures documenting the chapter and their many activities.

The annual Silver Awards Tea was held on April 27 in the Butler County Library meeting room. A capacity crowd was in attendance to watch a number of students receive recognition. In grades K-11; JAC, American History, JROTC, Youth Citizenship and County Spelling Bee students were honored with pins/medals, certificates and a monetary award. Three high school seniors were recognized, Aspen Arnold, the 2017 Good Citizen received a certificate, pin and cash. Isaac Pendley received the Ione Duke Performing Arts Scholarship and Grant Newland received the Ermie Lee Martin Scholarship. Both scholarships are named in honor of former Butler County Chapter members.

We recognized members with mini-certificate for Reading from KSDAR Reading list and also recognized members for DAR/SAR contribution toward beginning General Butler SAR Chapter.

Future spring events include participation in the annual Memorial Day Program on the Butler County Courthouse lawn and a Flag Day celebration. A new event for the chapter will be an Art Exhibition showcasing Butler County artists of all ages. This event will take place on Friday and Saturday, June 2 & 3 in the Freedle building the same weekend as the Green River Ramble and the Woodbury Museum summer opener.

Jane McAfee Chapter

In reading the last publication from National, our chapter was inspired by the article on chapters establishing Monarch Butterfly Waystations. In fact, we were so inspired at our last meeting, we voted unanimously to “borrow” their idea and run with it!

A committee was established and, my, we have made progress. We spoke with Mark Bryant who is in charge of the Anderson Dean Park in Mercer County. He agreed to work with us on behalf of the park and let us choose from several free areas in the park to plant. His cooperation has been a blessing. He arranged for a local farmer, David Wade to plow and till our site without charge (kind man!). The park also donated two rolls of black plastic to cover our space to kill the grass. That was no small donation because the plastic is expensive. Two of our chapter members donated an additional two rolls and we are up and running. We will be ready to plant as soon as we can be sure there will be no more surprises with frost with our Kentucky weather.

Lots of research had to be done, but, luckily one of our members (Helen Dedman) had already established a butterfly garden at Beaumont Inn which she runs with her husband. We found suppliers of milkweed plants and plugs that had not been treated with any poisonous materials and ordered seeds and started trays to help defray the expense. And, surprise, the little seedlings are coming up. I have never had a green thumb, but I think I have found my niche. Since milkweed is literally a weed, they seem to be thriving. I now know what plants allow me to have success!!

This will be a long term project and we will keep you posted. If anyone wishes additional information or assistance with starting your own, please just get in touch with us. Wishing you all a good summer.

You can tell these 25 ladies know how to enjoy a meeting!

Captain Jacob VanMeter Chapter

The Captain Jacob Van Meter Chapter NSDAR traveled to Paris, Kentucky on May 19 to tour Duncan Tavern, the headquarters of the Kentucky Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Docent Selene Hutchison told wonderful stories of the historic past of the tavern and its furnishings. Chapter meeting was held at the tavern after the tour. Members enjoyed lunch at Lil’s Coffee House, and then traveled to Cane Ridge Meeting House. Cane Ridge is the site of the 1801 Great Revival that some believe up to 20,000 attended during the week.

Members at Duncan Tavern
Front Row: Rose Cooper, Dolly Marcum, Joyce Miller, and Nancy Raine
Back Row: Linda King, Beverly Heath, Sue Ballard, guest Carlene Strahan, Betsy Tucker and Sharon Williams

Lexington Chapter

On October 6, Lexington Chapter celebrated their 125th anniversary with a dinner at the Lexington Country Club. Known as the oldest chapter in Kentucky, members celebrated by honoring Elizabeth Shelby Kinkead and the 13 other founding members. The Lexington Chapter was founded with the encouragement of Mary Deshea, a native of Kentucky, and one of the original founders of NSDAR. On October 10, 1891, the first formal meeting of the chapter was held. The first ten years in the life of the chapter was filled with activities. Chapter members worked with schools, and donated flags ad pictures of George Washington. They held writing contests, awarded medals, were advocates for literacy, and supported the local lending library. They were active in state and national DAR positions and projects. They were tireless in their war efforts during the Spanish-American War. Helped with fund raisers to purchase memorials at Blue Licks and Boonesborough, Kentucky. The largest project was to create a memorial to honor the women of Bryan’s Station. The project started in October 1894 and was dedicated on August 18, 1896. This was the first memorial ever erected by women for women. The chapter is honored to have the minutes, scrapbooks, and material from the members 125 years ago. These were on display to view. Mrs. Clara Wilson was our speaker for the evening. Mrs. Clara Wilson, Mrs. Nancy DeMarcus and Mrs. Vickie Canham served as the anniversary committee, researching the history of the Lexington Chapter.

Some of the women attending the 125th Celebration; 1st row L-R: Xana Plum, Nancy Crawford, Regent Jacqueline Farris, Honorary State Regent Barbara Zink, Gail Wright. 2nd row L-R: Vickie Canham, Martha King, Sarah Hamilton, Gloria Compton, Clara Wilson, Nancy Jarboe, Susan Mullins, Kaye Combs Moore, Nancy DeMarcus, Robin West.
Congratulations to our 2017 KSDAR Outstanding Junior, Melanie Annette Hunt of the Green River Chapter!

Big Spring Chapter

Our Chapter has been very busy since this past December. We ended 2016 with our annual December luncheon held at Georgetown College. Our speaker was Mr. Ron Bryant from the Board of Trustees of historic Ward Hall. Ward Hall is the grandest Greek Revival residence in Kentucky, and one of the finest examples of a mid-nineteenth century classical building in the United States. Mr. Bryant talked of its history and of the efforts to restore the lovely mansion. We inducted 2 new members and welcomed a third who had been approved but was waiting on her National number. In January we met to complete our Master Questionnaire.

We have lots of fun in February with our Show and Tell Meetings. Members bring items of interest to them and tell about them. They are often family heirlooms, but can also be a hobby of theirs or just something they love.

In March we partnered with our local library to present a program from the Kentucky Humanities Council. Mr. Eddie Price, Kentucky author and speaker, presented “The Battle of Blue Licks” on March 4th at the Scott County Public Library. Mr. Price is the author of “Widder’s Landing” which was on this year’s reading list. The program covered the Western campaign of the American Revolution and the Battle of Blue Licks. The program was well attended and we all had a great time.

We are currently making plans to clean and rededicate the Big Spring DAR monument which stands on the bluff overlooking the Big Spring. The monument was placed in 1920 and commemorates John McClelland, his wife and his men and the Revolutionary soldiers who are buried in Scott County.

In May we will be awarding a Bronze ROTC medal to Ian Sexton of Scott County High School and in June we have a luncheon at Duncan Tavern. We are also gearing up for the 4th of July Parade. Last year we won First Place for our float! We will be handing out 500 small American flags with Flag code information attached.
On April 29th the Green River Chapter NSDAR in conjunction with the Fort Hartford Chapter and the Green River Society CAR invited Sue Kelly Ballard to the Woodbury Lodge, in Woodbury Kentucky, to present her program. This is a story detailing the life of Rebecca Boone. Author, Sue Kelly Ballard, stated, “I wrote this book to honor a pioneer woman”. The book takes place between the years of 1769 and 1779 and chronicles Daniel Boone’s known exploits as well as the much lesser known stories of his wife. During this time, Rebecca Boone traveled from North Carolina to Kentucky with six children while pregnant. Her husband was absent for long periods—some exploits took him away for up to two years. During these times, it was up to Rebecca to run the homestead and take care of all of the children—times when she did not even know if her husband was still alive.

Sue Kelly Ballard explained that she felt connected to Rebecca Boone because she felt that Rebecca’s story was very similar to that of her own mother, Allie Lee Hayes Kelly. Mrs. Kelly was an army wife whose husband served in three wars. The family moved to follow Mr. Kelly’s military career, leaving Mrs. Kelly to provide for their five children in new environments with no friend or family support. Sue Kelly Ballard was in graduate school when her mother passed away, and as the oldest of the five children, still with younger siblings in the home.

Another possible connection between the author and Rebecca Boone has not been yet proven, but is rumored to be true. One of the daughters of Daniel and Rebecca Boone, Suzanna, married a William Hayes. Mrs. Ballard’s lineage has been traced back to a William Hayes, but it has not yet been proven that this is the same William Hayes. Sue Kelly Ballard lives in Elizabethtown with her husband and two cats. She taught Chemistry at the Elizabethtown Community and Technical College prior to her retirement, but still manages to teach every now and then. She is a member of the Jacob Van Meter Chapter of the NSDAR.

Green River DAR member, Christine Coleman and family have renovated Woodbury Lodge and turned it into a secluded, peaceful bed and breakfast. The Lodge is located in tranquil Woodbury and overlooks rolling green hills and woods. Call today to enjoy a night or two in this Butler County gem.
DAR National Day of Service

Pull out those work gloves, put on your tool belt, and clean out your pantry because October 11, 2017 is the “official” DAR National Day of Service! Although members of the Daughters of the American Revolution strive to serve their communities daily, October 11, the date DAR was founded, is set aside each year to make a greater impact in the community. This service can be completed on the Day of Service itself, or a date that is convenient for chapter members to meet and serve close to that date (i.e. Saturday, October 7). Through each chapter’s effort, Kentucky can significantly contribute to President General Ann Turner Dillon’s goal of 19 million hours, a goal created to honor the 100th anniversary of the congressional approval of the 19th amendment.

Need ideas? Many chapters in Kentucky have made phenomenal contributions on past days of service. Specifically, Big Spring Chapter collected nonperishable items for a food pantry. Peter Foree Chapter collected donations for the local Humane Society, and Green River Chapter completed a variety of tasks for their public libraries. In addition, the national website has amazing ideas: http://www.dar.org/members/committees/special-committees/service-america/what-meaningful-community-service.

What’s next? After completing all of these phenomenal projects, please share the amazing experiences! Add the hours to the Service to America tally on the national website and include the details in the Chapter Master Questionnaire. If there are pictures that show the activity and the participants, please submit them (segoodlad@gmail.com). Mark your calendars and plan those programs, because Kentucky Daughters are going to make a difference in their Service to America on October 11. – Shelby Goodlad, State Chairman

Wells Junior Fund

Purpose is to pay the luncheon fee for all juniors attending Continental Congress and attending the Junior luncheon. Juniors give a copy of their meal reservation invoice to the state treasurer and she reimburses the junior attending. Contact State Treasurer Mikie McKelway hmckelway@aol.com to contribute or for reimbursement.

Travel Report

We made a grand effort to get a bus together to go to Washington for the 2017 Congress. We needed 32 riders to break even on the bus. We had a number of last minute cancellations that caused us to have to cancel the bus for this year. This was a great disappointment!

I am already working on next year! We are planning a few different strategies. We are looking into a combination payment of bus and hotel with four installments. This method is used by a number of states. The details have not been worked out yet but will be posted on the State website as soon as they are finalized. Be prepared to make the first payment by Summer Boards. Payment plan will have 4 payments: Summer, Fall, December 31 and State Conference. We already have contracts with Shockey and the Hampton Inn Convention Center through 2019. This will not change. We hope to have the bus originate in Western Kentucky and pick up in 2-3 locations across the state. We will spend the night on the way to D.C. I hope these changes will help make it easier for more riders! Start planning NOW!

Carla Ray & Betty Barger, Co-Chairmen
Kentucky Daughters,

Veterans from across the United States, and a team from Great Britain, will come to Cincinnati to participate in the 37th National Veterans Wheelchair Games. Athletes will compete in 19 wheelchair sports events while providing encouragement and mentoring for new Veterans. Veterans at the Games truly educate newly disabled Veterans on what is possible, and those witnessing the events realize that limitations are only state of mind. The National Veterans Wheelchair Games (NVWG) is co-presented by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Paralyzed Veterans of America. It is a rehabilitation and wheelchair sports program empowering Veterans with spinal cord injuries, multiple sclerosis, amputations and other neurological injuries to live more active and healthy lives through wheelchair sports and recreation.

We have a great opportunity to show our support to these Veterans. The Ohio DAR, Kentucky DAR and Kentucky DAC are going to join together and volunteer for Archery at Three Rivers School, 56 Cooper Ave, Cleves, OH (west of Cincinnati) 8:00–2:00 on July 22. (You would need to be there by 6 am.) They need 130 Volunteers for the registration table, picking up arrows, giving ice/drinks and to sit in stands to cheer Archery athletes.

Sign up to volunteer for this or any other work at: http://wheelchairgames.org, click on the Get Involved tab, then click on Volunteer. There is a list of volunteer events, days and times. Please make sure that you fill in your ability limitations. Please make sure that when you fill out the volunteer form that you fill out the GROUP as Kentucky Society DAR/DAC. If Saturday isn’t convenient for you, please volunteer another day. Even if you can’t volunteer for a whole event, please go anytime and be FANS IN THE STANDS. You don’t have to fill out a volunteer sheet for that.

If you would like specifics on each event, visit https://www.volgistics.com/ex/portal.dll/od?from=160968
We will meet to get a group picture after 2pm near registration table. I would like to keep track of who is volunteering or being fans in the stands.
When you sign up, could you please send me an email telling which event and what time you are volunteering. mshelton70@gmail.com or call 615-440-9239. I look forward to seeing you there!

Below is a letter from a local veteran:

Mrs. Miller,

While at the Lexington Veteran’s administration today I was offered a really nice Navy blanket by two of your members who were volunteering outside the outpatient surgery office. I must admit in my over twenty years of military service both active and reserve I have never been so touched. It had been supplied by the Red River Valley chapter of the DAR. I saw both good and bad while in service only to come home to maybe a hello from people. I joined at 17 in 1977 which was not a popular time to wear a uniform. This blanket brought back many memories of not only my service time but also of my late Aunt Bobbie Jean Cook from Middlesboro Kentucky who I think used to be a regent. Again, thank you and the KYDAR for all you do. This Ole sailor says Bravo.

God Bless you.
PO2 Les Williamson SCW, USNR retired
Corbin Kentucky
State Project Committee — Julia Hood, State Chairman

The Miller administration is dedicated to promoting the work of our national society through volunteering in our communities and supporting Education, Historic Preservation, and Patriotic projects and programs. The approved State Project will support collections management and conservation at our State Headquarters, Duncan Tavern Historic Center, and in the Kentucky Period Room at the DAR Museum in Washington DC. We will also support the important programs at Hindman Settlement School helping children with Dyslexia.

“Charting Our Course, Planning for the Future!”

There are many ways that you can help “Chart Our Course” such as chapters donations via the Honor Roll, personal donations or purchasing one of our lovely Compass Rose pins which can be worn as a broach or on a necklace, the earrings, or the new Kentucky DAR scarves with Duncan Tavern and all of the KSDAR chapters listed around the border.

Large Compass Rose = $60

Earrings = $30

Scarf = $45

Purchase one at a KSDAR Event or order directly with this chairman.

Name: ________________________________________ Chapter __________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

Large Compass Rose # _____ @$60 each Total _____________

Earrings # _____ @$30 each Total _____________

Scarf # _______@ $45 each Total _____________

Shipping $3.00 _____________

Donation Total _____________

Grand Total _____________

*Make checks payable to State Treasurer, KSDAR

and mail to Julia Hood, 5106 Silverton Lane, Louisville, KY 40241.

Juliahood331@gmail.com (H) 502-594-2511 (C) 757-209-7282
The 121st KSDAR State Conference
Calling All Members!

We are preparing for the 2017 KSDAR Summer Workshop and it is shaping up nicely! We have some fantastic speakers lined up so Kentucky Daughters will have many opportunities to learn more about DAR. “More workshops” was what we repeatedly heard in the questionnaires sent out by our State Vice Regent last year. Better educated members make stronger chapters!

**Friday, August 11th** will begin for everyone with an informal dinner at **6:00 p.m.** “Diamonds & Denim” will be the theme and our speaker will tell us all about the Diamond Hoax of 1872 perpetrated by Philip Arnold, a native of Elizabethtown, KY. Be sure to wear lots of sparkles with your denim! Did I mention we’ll have a cash bar?

Following dinner, State Chairman will be on hand with displays in a separate exhibit space to engage and educate members with the work of their committees. The committee fair will be from 8:00-9:30 p.m. Saturday’s sessions will include breakout sessions and programs for Chapter Regents, Chapter Treasurers, Chapter Registrars, as well as new and long time members. Sessions will run from 10:00-12:00 followed by lunch, and then 1:00-4:00. There will be time again for visiting the tables and shopping from 4:00-5:00. Presenters for our sessions include NSDAR Organizing Secretary General Nancy Hemmerich, Treasurer General Carol Jackson, Vice President General and National Membership Chairman Susan Thomas, Past Registrar General and Honorary State Regent Sharon Withers as well as your State Treasurer Mikie McKelway, State Registrar Ann Pennington, State Historian Sally Whittington and your State Regent. Learn about the Life Cycle of a Chapter, DAR Grave markers, New Member & Leadership training, WWI Commemorative efforts and much more!

Saturday will conclude with another casual dinner and our special guest Carol Jackson as the speaker. There will be a cash bar & reception before dinner. The dinners are, of course, optional, but I think you will not want to miss them!

A passkey link for hotel reservations has been posted in the Announcements section of the KSDAR Members’ website.

The deadline for guest room reservations is July 17th, so don’t delay.

Please make plans to attend the KSDAR Summer Workshop, August 11-12 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Louisville.

Registration—Friday 5:00-6:00 p.m. & Saturday 8:00-9:00 a.m.

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**SATURDAY WORKSHOP SCHEDULE**

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<td>Opening &amp; Introductions</td>
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<td>10:00-11:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Top 10 Tips for Chapter Regents; State Regent</td>
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<td>11:00-12:00 noon</td>
<td>Chapter Treasurer’s Basics; State Treasurer Mikie McKelway</td>
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<td>LUNCH—Speaker - Sharon Withers; How to Navigate DAR</td>
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<td>1:00-2:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Treasurer General Carol Jackson; Keep Calm &amp; Carry the One</td>
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<td>Chapter Registrars - Ann Pennington; Build-an-App, Electronic App, &amp; More</td>
<td>State Historian Sally Whittington - WWI, DAR Markers, DT Heritage Symposium</td>
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2017 KSDAR Summer Workshops
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Louisville, KY
830 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY 40209
August 11-12

Please complete a form for each person attending.
All must register and meals must be reserved by the deadline listed.
Make checks payable to: KSDAR Treasurer

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FILL IN ALL THAT APPLY & INCLUDE THE REGISTRATION FEE – No Refunds

Friday, August 11

Dinner (Buffet- choice of roasted skirt steak or boneless breast of chicken with sauce, whole roasted potatoes, green beans, rolls & butter, dessert, coffee & iced tea included.) *A cash bar will be available.

Please list any dietary restrictions Cost $42.00 ________________

Saturday, August 12

Lunch (Blue Horse Salad – Mixed field greens w/ grilled chicken breast, chopped bacon, candied pecans, dried cranberries, & blue cheese crumbles, vinaigrette dressing, a cookie, coffee & iced tea)

Please list any dietary restrictions Cost $25.00 ________________

Dinner (Buffet- Garden salad w/ assorted toppings & dressings, fresh vegetable & relish tray, penne pasta w/ marinara sauce, bowtie pasta w/ Alfredo sauce, meatballs, Italian green beans, garlic bread, dessert, coffee & iced tea) *A cash bar will be available.

Please list any dietary restrictions Cost $40.00 ________________

Registration $5.00 ________________
Total ________________

Mail Registration & Reservations form & check by August 1st deadline to:
Susan Mullins, Registration Chairman, 2272 Mangrove Dr., Lexington, KY 40513-1397
susan.mullins@twc.com * Make checks payable to: KSDAR Treasurer
Yes! Please send me one full year (2 issues) of the Patriot Express for just $10!

Name: ___________________ National Number: ___________________

Street Address: _________________________________________________________

City: ______________________ State: ____________ ZIP: ________________

Chapter Name: _______________________________________________________

Phone Number: ___________________ Email: _____________________________

Payment Enclosed:  ___ Cash

___ Check: Check # __________

Mail with payment to Michaela McKelway, 1112 Fontaine Road, Lexington, KY 40205

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